



# St Ann's Church of England Primary School



*Together, we aim high; with God's love, we can fly!*

## Value of the Half Term

*Trust*

## Newsletter Issue 16

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When I am afraid, I put my trust in you. In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust;  
I shall not be afraid. What can flesh do to me?

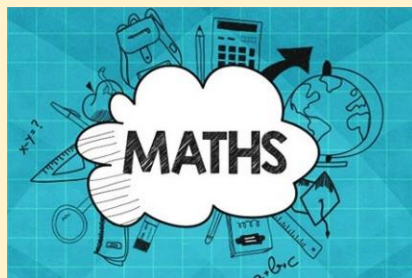
Psalm 56:3-4

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## SHOWCASING MATHS AT ST ANN'S



This week, the Trust Director of Mathematics paid us a visit to take a look at teaching and learning in Maths. He was very impressed with the mathematics provision right across the school and the enthusiasm and enjoyment our children showed during their maths lessons. Comments were made about the children's excellent use of mathematical language and how visual resources, such as number lines, were used by staff to aid children's understanding. When looking through the children's

books, the Trust Director of Mathematics commented on the well-planned sequences of lessons within and across year groups and the high standard of work produced by the children.

KIDS GET THEIR SUPER POWERS BY  
**ATTENDING SCHOOL  
EVERY DAY** ⚡

BE AN ATTENDANCE  
SUPERHERO!

Whole school attendance year to date. <i>Whole School target 96%</i>	96.2%
Whole school attendance week ending 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	97.1%
Class with best weekly attendance	RP – 100%

**EVERY  
DAY  
MATTERS**

YOU + SCHOOL = SUCCESS

When you're in school you...



**Have the best possible start in life!**

Number of pupils  
with 100% attendance  
this week

**388**

### Punctuality

School starts at **8.50am**.  
Lessons start at **8.50am**.

School gates open at 8.40am.

Children arriving after 8.50am will need to use the main entrance. Children who enter school via the main entrance will be registered as late. Regularly missing the beginning of lessons has a negative impact on a child's progress and wellbeing.

### Attendance Expectations

Children are expected to be in school **every day** unless they are unwell. All other reasons will be unauthorised. If your child is going to be absent, contact school and let us know before 9.20am. Children not in school may receive a phone call home or home visit. In line with our Attendance Policy, we are committed to supporting families in improving their child's attendance, before taking legal action.

## PARENT WORKSHOPS

Our class teachers are holding important workshops for parents/ carers this half term. Parents/ Carers should arrive at the main entrance 5 minutes before the start of the workshop. All workshops will start promptly at 5pm. Dates and the focus for each workshop can be seen below.

	Focus	Date
EYs	Number	Monday 16 January
Y1	Statutory Y1 Phonics Screening Check	Monday 16 January
Y2	Y2 SATS	Tuesday 17 January
Y3	Times Tables	Tuesday 17 January
Y4	Statutory Y4 Multiplication Times tables Check	Wednesday 18 January
Y5	Arithmetic	Wednesday 18 January
Y6	Y6 SATS	Thursday 19 January

### YEAR 5 COMMUNION

Y5 will join in with the Communion Service at St Ann's church on Thursday 26 January at 9am.



***Families welcome. The more the merrier!***

Don't forget you can make a donation to the church when attending a service.

### FAMILY WORSHIP

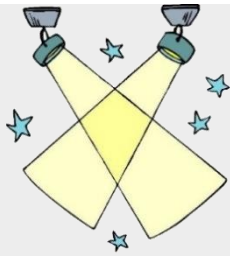


3E will lead their family worship all about World Religion Day on **Friday 20th January** at 9am in the school hall.



### YEAR 5 TO CRUCIAL CREW: FRIDAY 27th JANUARY

This term, children in Year 5 will have the opportunity to take part in a variety of workshops at the St. Helen's Crucial Crew Event. Crucial Crew is a multi-agency initiative involving the local authority, emergency services and other main service providers to promote personal safety issues, crime prevention and citizenship. The workshops give children the opportunity to explore various safety scenarios, each providing an important safety message. Our visit to Crucial Crew has been organised for the afternoon of Friday 27th January 2023.



## A SPOTLIGHT ON: RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

At St Ann's we believe that high quality Religious Education (RE) is the key to enabling every child to flourish.

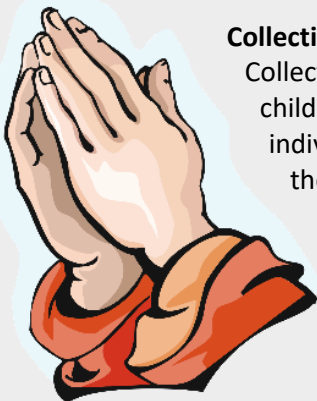
RE prepares children for citizenship in today's diverse society. It enables them to develop sensitivity to, and respect for others. Through authentic encounters, children will develop diversity dexterity and be equipped with the ability to hold an informed conversation about religious beliefs and practices. Quality RE has the potential, more than any other subject, to have the most powerful and lasting effect on the child's heart and mind. It is a subject that combines academic rigour with the development of the character and spirit of the child. RE provides opportunities for spiritual development and personal reflection. On a quest to discover more about religion and world views children will discover more about themselves. As RE develops children's knowledge and understanding of the nature of religion and belief, it provokes challenging questions about meaning and purpose, truth and values, identity and belonging. Children will experience, explore and encounter a wide range of creative and challenging multi-sensory activities that will help them to discover the answers to fundamental questions such as these: –

- Who am I and what does it mean to be me?
- In what ways do/can I relate to others?
- How/where can I encounter God?
- How can I make a positive contribution to the world in which I live?
- What values, attitudes, beliefs and behaviour are important to me?
- What does it mean to have faith?



### Questful R.E.

Our R.E syllabus is taught through the Blackburn Diocesan Board of Education programme '**Questful R.E.**' Through an open investigative enquiry approach the children are given the sense of being on a quest of discovery. A key feature of the syllabus is the large number of questions included in each unit. The purpose of these questions is to give children opportunity to investigate, reflect, evaluate and make meaning. In doing so they will discover more about themselves, their relationships with others, their relationship with the world around them and their relationship with God.



### Collective Worship

Collective worship is the unique heartbeat of our school and is a wider opportunity for children and adults to encounter faith by engaging in conversations about God, both as individuals and together. Collective Worship takes place daily and in a variety of ways these include Worship through Song and Worship with a member of St Ann's Church.



## COMING UP: SAFER INTERNET DAY



On Friday 27th January we will be celebrating Safer Internet Day. KS2 will benefit from watching an Altru drama performance all about this very important matter. Y6 will explore the performance further in a follow up workshop. In addition, children will have additional computing lessons to consolidate their learning on how to keep safe on the internet. Workshops for parents will also be available so that you can learn more about how you can help your child/children keep safe on the internet. As part of children's learning, there will also be an 'Online Game Focus'. During this session, children will learn about why spending too much time using technology can sometimes have a negative impact, and why some online activities have age restrictions.



Dad horrified at £4,642 gaming app bill



## **YEAR 6 END OF YEAR PRODUCTION**



We are pleased to share that this year's end of year school production will be 'We Will Rock You.' Drama lessons leading up to rehearsals are now underway, all led by First Act Drama Tuition. The production will be held at St Helens Theatre Royal.

Watch this space for further information in the coming months.

## **PARENT FORUM VACANCIES**



We still have some vacancies to fill on our Parent Forum. The vacancies are in 2B, 3H & 5O. If you are interested in position, please contact the school office. If more than 1 person is interested, the

position will be given to a parent who is not currently on Parent Forum or has previously not been on Parent Forum. Following that, names will be drawn from a hat. If you would like to find out more about what it entails, please ask to speak with Mrs Rynn.

## **STAR DAY**

This year we are excited to see the return of STAR DAY at St Ann's. STAR DAY is a fantastic opportunity for our school community to come together and raise money to support local, national and global charities that are making a difference to others in our world.

This year STAR DAY will take place on Friday 3rd February. Further details regarding the charities each year group will be supporting and activities taking place will follow shortly.

## **SCHOOL MEALS**

Please note that due to supply issues, whilst we will do our best, we cannot always guarantee that the meals provided will match those in the published menus.

## **COMING SOON .... ST ANN'S HAS GOT TALENT**

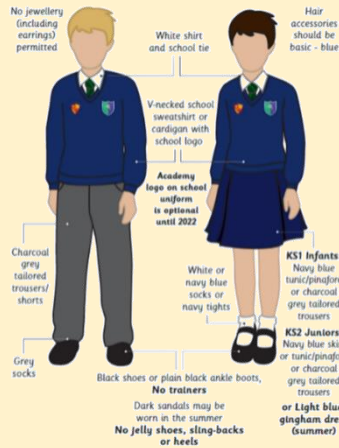


We are delighted with the number of entries we have received for this year's Talent Show. As previously indicated auditions will take place in school on 16<sup>th</sup> January. If your child has entered please can you ensure that they have any props and costumes in school on this date. If a backing track is required and you have not already sent it into school please ensure that your child has this available for their audition on Monday. The standard of previous auditions has been

extremely high and unfortunately, due to time constraints, we are limited as to how many acts can be put through to the final. We hope that all the children will enjoy the audition process and gain confidence from taking part.

## WEEKLY REMINDERS

### SCHOOL UNIFORM REMINDERS



*\*Please note, it is no longer compulsory to wear items of clothing with the school and Trust logos on. Children may wear plain navy-blue items of school uniform.*

### SCHOOL SHOES REMINDER



Should I keep my

# child off school?

## Yes

Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

## No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



SCAN ME

**Advice and guidance**  
To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.

### RESIDENTIAL TRIP INSTALMENTS

LAKE DISTRICT		
	Amount required	Final date for payment
Deposit	£ 50.00	Already paid
Second Instalment	£100.00	3 <sup>rd</sup> February 2023
Final Instalment	£118.60	19 <sup>th</sup> May 2023

KINGSWOOD		
	Amount required	Final date for payment
Deposit	£ 70.00	Already paid
Second Instalment	£ 70.00	30 <sup>th</sup> November 2022
Final Instalment	£ 68.00	15 <sup>th</sup> February 2023

### PARKING

We have had a number of complaints from both parents and people living close to school, in particular Rainhill Clinic, regarding parking. Please could parents ensure that they are parking both legally and considerately when dropping off or picking up their children. Thank you.

### HEALTH & SAFETY

Please note for Health & Safety reasons children in Foundation Stage, Year 1 & 2 should be accompanied by an adult to their classroom door at the start of the day.

## TOAST

The deadline for Toast (Years 1-6) for this half term (4<sup>th</sup> January – 10<sup>th</sup> February) has now passed. Please see the flyer attached to this Newsletter for details of the payments required for future half terms.

## EARLY YEARS SNACK

Foundation stage children receive Snack on a daily basis. We would be most grateful if you would make payment on Arbor of the following amounts by the due dates:

Spring 1-£5.60 as soon as possible if not already paid

Spring 2 - £6.00 by 7<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Summer 1 - £5.80 by 28<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Summer 2 - £6.40 by 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2023

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### TERM DATES

Term	Open on	Close on
Autumn Term 2022	5 <sup>th</sup> September 2022	20 <sup>th</sup> October 2022
	31 <sup>st</sup> October 2022	21 <sup>st</sup> December 2022
Spring Term 2023	4 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	10 <sup>th</sup> February 2023
	20 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023
Summer Term 2023	17 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	25 <sup>th</sup> May 2023
	6 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	19 <sup>th</sup> July 2023

### PURCHASING SCHOOL ITEMS

If you wish to purchase a school item this can now be done through Arbor. If you make a purchase please email the school office at [stannsce@three-saints.org.uk](mailto:stannsce@three-saints.org.uk) so that arrangements can be made to issue the item. Current prices are as follows:

**School Bag £9.00**

**Junior Tie £3.50**

**Elasticated Tie £3.00**

**Children's University Passport £3.00**

**Replacement Home School Diary £4.00**

**Courtesy  
Care  
Concentration**



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‘But those who trust in the Lord, they will find new strength.  
They will soar high on wings like eagles’ **Isaiah 40:31**

**Parents' Suggestion/Comment Slip**



# **DATES FOR DIARY**

DAY	DATE	EVENT
Mon-Thurs	16th-19th January 2023	Parent Workshops Y1 – Phonics Screening Check Y2 & Y6 SATs Y4: Multiplication Timetable Check EYs, Y3 & Y5 TBC
Friday	20th January 2023	3E Family Worship 9.00am
Thursday	26th January 2023	Year 5 Communion 9.00am St Ann's Church
Friday	27th January 2023	Y5 Crucial Crew St Helens Masonic Hall
Monday	30th January 2023	EYFS Hearing Tests
Friday	3rd February 2023	3H Family Worship 9.00am
Friday	3rd February 2023	Children's University Passport Bank
Tues-Fri	7th-10th February 2023	Swimming – Pupils across KS2 TBC
Friday	10 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	KS1 Church Service 2.15pm St Ann's Church
Friday	10th February 2023	School Closes
Monday	20th February 2023	School Opens
Wednesday	22nd February 2023	Ash Wednesday Service 2.15pm Rev Alan to lead St Ann's Church
Thursday	23rd February 2023	Y4 Communion 9.00am St Ann's Church
Mon-Fri	27th Feb - 3rd Mar 2023	Parent Insight Sessions
Thursday	2nd March 2023	World Book Day
Friday	3rd March 2023	2B Family Worship 9.00am
Thursday	9th March 2023	Parent Forum for Class Reps
Friday	10th March 2023	2H Family Worship 9.00am
Friday	10th March 2023	Aspirations Day
Mon-Fri	13th -17th March 2023	Assessment Week
Tuesday	14th March 2023	World Maths Day
Wednesday	15 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Y2 Easter Workshop – Liverpool Cathedral
Mon-Thur	20th– 23rd March 2023	Easter Bingos
Friday	24th March 2023	Children's University Passport Bank
Tues - Thurs	28th-30th March 2023	Mentoring Conversations
Friday	31st March 2023	Y5 Easter Service 2.15pm St Ann's Church
Friday	31st March 2023	School Closes

# TOAST

YEARS 1-6

If you would like your child to have Toast every half term please see below for the amount due each half term and the date the amount is required by. Payments should be made to your Arbor Toast account. Payments can be made in advance of these dates if you wish and the credit will be used once the due date arrives.

	Amount Due	Date Toast Account to be in credit by
Autumn 1	£6.80	13th July 2022
Autumn 2	£7.60	17th October 2022
Spring 1	£5.60	16th December 2022
Spring 2	£6.00	7th February 2023
Summer 1	£5.80	28th March 2023
Summer 2	£6.40	22nd May 2023

Total for year £38.20