



St Ann's Church of England Primary School



Always our best for God, each other and ourselves.

Value of the Half Term

Service

Newsletter Issue 26

Week ending Thursday 29th March

1 Peter 4: 9-10

Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

Children's University

Congratulations to all our Keystage 2 pupils who graduated from the Children's University this week.



The Children's University (CU) is a national charity offering children aged 5 -14 an exciting and innovative programme of high quality learning opportunities outside school hours, with a focus on rewarding participation, raising aspirations and encouraging engagement with learning.

Children in years 1 – 6 can gain CU hours / credits for attending validated activities both in school and outside school. All of the children's CU credits / hours are recorded / tallied in school via registers and outside school via the passport to learning. For more information about the programme and awards, please see the Children's University section on the school website.

<https://www.rainhillstanns.co.uk/page/?pid=91&action=saved>

The next Passport Bank will be held on Monday 21st May. By this date, the school will have been sent the updated spread sheet to record all of the hours in preparation for next year's graduation ceremony. The Passport Bank has not been held this week for this reason.

Pupil Leadership Team

Our Pupil Leadership Teams met again this week. The teams are having a superb input into our school and their work has been positively commented upon by our Academy Directors

Book Sale Raffle Winner

A huge THANK YOU to every child (and parent!) who donated books for our World Book Day Book Sale. The Book Sale was a huge success and the money raised will be used to buy NEW BOOKS for our school! All children who donated books were entered into a raffle to win a full set of Harry Potter books! The winner of the raffle was Olivia in 3M - congratulations Olivia!

Handball

St Helens Schools sports organisers recently introduced the exciting fast game of Handball to their calendar. With a month's notice we started to prepare for this event with some very talented children. The tournament was last Friday and our team were group winners after winning all their games with amazing passing, special awareness and goals galore after fabulous finishing. They proceeded to the semi-final and outclassed the opposition by 5-0. The afternoon finished on a slight low as they were beaten in the final 1-0 against the run of play after totally controlling the game with the opposition keeper saving their team on numerous occasions but returned to school with smiles and silver medals. Congratulations to Megan Pearse, Lydia Wignall, Ella Starkey, Will Campbell, Owen Fletcher, Jacob Whitby, Dean Roberts and Lewis Mather for their superb play.



Afternoon Tea

After the Easter Holiday, we will be introducing fortnightly 'Afternoon Tea with the Headteacher'. Groups of pupils will be invited to these sessions and it will be an opportunity for them to chat through their work as well as to give their views about the school. Many thanks to the Co-op for assisting the school in catering for these sessions.



School Pet

We are currently researching the idea of a school pet (dog). This idea has been positively received by both the Parent Forum and the Governing Body but is something that we feel we cannot rush into. So far we have:-

1. Identified a dog that is allergy friendly.
2. Drafted a Risk Assessment that is currently being reviewed by our Health and Safety provider (Ellis Whittam).
3. Researched comprehensive insurance.
4. Identified the training that the dog will require.

No child will be forced to interact with the dog. It will purely be on an opt in/opt out basis. This idea will be further discussed at our next Parent Forum Meeting so if any parent has any views please see your class Parent rep so that they can represent your views at the meeting.

Easter Service

Well done to year 5 on superbly leading this week's Easter service.

Thank you!

We would like to thank Mrs McEllin for the magnificent contribution that she has made to St Ann's school over the past 13 years. We wish her a long and happy retirement.

Farmington Scholarship

Mrs Hood and Mrs Greaves are delighted to have been accepted to do a Farmington Scholarship for the school year 2018-19. They will be working on revising assessment in RE and delivery of a new scheme ' Understanding Christianity'. The scholarship is launched in June 2018 over a weekend at an annual conference at Harris Manchester College in Oxford. Well done, this is a great opportunity for St Ann's school.

Good luck!

We would like to wish Miss McGorry good luck for her wedding which takes place during the Easter holidays. We hope she has a lovely day and we look forward to seeing her photographs.



Super Leaders

On Tuesday 27th March our Super Leaders met for their fourth team meeting of the year. Here are just a few of the activities they enjoyed;

Science Squad

The Science Squad have gathered the bones found in a number of owl pellets and assembled them to form a variety of skeletons. We have successfully made skeletons of many small voles and mice! It was very interesting!

Town Troopers

The Town Troopers will be visited Kidzone in Rainhill to work with the pre-school children. They took their own favourite stories to read to the children and made the characters come alive with the use of mark-making, Play Dough and drama! Again this type of visit strengthens our community links, allows the children to move outside their comfort zone and take the lead on educating others.

School Design Team

The School Design Team finalised their designs and plans for the values path for the school field. The Year 5 and 6 pupils conducted a survey with pupils on their views of current outdoor facilities at St Ann's and asking for ideas on how these can be improved.

Mathemagicians

The Mathemagicians reviewed a range of apps on the iPads that are used for Maths across the school along with starting to look at class learning environments and how they promote Maths.

Amazing Allotment Team

The Amazing Allotment Team spent their afternoon gardening in the allotment to get it ready for 'Get Your Grown Ups Growing Day'. The children also created posters to advertise for this day!

Communication Crew

The Communication Crew designed posters and newsletters about recent events in school.

Reading Ambassadors

The Reading Ambassadors have audited our Author Focus resources! They spent some time looking at the amount and quality of texts we had relating to our current authors in each year group. They then researched popular books by each of our authors in order to compile 'recommended reads' for Miss Howard to purchase in preparation for the next academic year. This is just one of the tasks we have undertaken this year in order to promote reading at St. Ann's!

Crazy Hair Day

Many thanks to Parents and children for making such an amazing effort for Crazy Hair Day, here are just a small selection of the children's fabulous hairstyles.



Easter Holiday

We hope you have a wonderful Easter Holiday. School will re-open on the morning of Monday 16th April.

IT'S NOT ABOUT
BEING THE BEST

IT'S ABOUT
BEING BETTER
THAN YOU WERE
YESTERDAY



Performance Opportunities

At St. Ann's we are passionate about children having the opportunity to show case their talents. To that end children are invited to perform during our Wednesday's Worship and Recital assembly.

If your child would like to perform, please complete the reply slip below and return to the school office. Children wishing to perform will have their name placed on a waiting list and nearer the date of their performance they will receive an invitation. If your child requires anything for their performance (e.g. instrument, sheet music, cd, prop), they should remember to bring this with them.

Occasionally it is necessary to cancel whole school worship due to unforeseen circumstance, when this happens if it is your child's turn to perform, the date of their performance will be re-arranged.



Child's name: _____

Class: _____

Performance type (song, dance or instrumental): _____

Title of Performance: _____

Courtesy

Care

Concentration

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Parents' Suggestion/Comment Slip



Lord,

you call us to your service
and continue your saving work among us.

May your love never abandon us.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

AMEN



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GET INVOLVED WITH SSE WILDCATS
HAVE FUN, MAKE FRIENDS, **PLAY FOOTBALL**

SIGN UP NOW



RAINHILL UNITED JFC



Weekly Girls Only Session – Ages 5-11

Starting Saturday 14th April 11.00am – 12.00pm (£2)

Rainhill High School 3G, Warrington Road, Rainhill, L35 6NY

Email: academy@rainhillunited.com or Phone 07740064737



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Services at St Ann's Holy Week

We aim to cater for different styles and ages with a variety of services.
EVERYONE IS WELCOME AT ANY OF OUR SERVICES

Sunday 25th March - Palm Sunday

8.30am BCP Holy Communion

10.30am Holy Communion (CW)

& Platform 2 contemporary worship in the Millennium Centre



Monday 26th March

9am Stanley Bear Club

7.30pm Holy Communion with Prayer for Healing

Tuesday 27th March

7.30pm Holy Week Reflection

Wednesday 28th March

8pm Final Meeting of Lent Course with Communion

Maunday Thursday 29th March

9:30am Holy Communion

6pm Seder Meal with Agape Communion (ticket only)



Good Friday 30th March

10am Walk of Witness from St Bart's Church

followed by

10:30am Ecumenical Worship for Good Friday

with All Age worship and crafts in the Millennium Centre

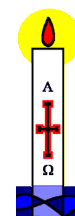
2pm Last Hour Reflection



Holy Saturday 31st March

9:30am Morning Prayer

9pm Easter Vigil with Procession of the Pascal Candle



Easter Day 1st April

8.30am BCP Holy Communion

10:30am All Age Worship for Easter Day
with Communion

4pm Evening Prayer

