



St Ann's Church of England Primary School



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

Value of the Half Term

Friendship

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Oil and perfume make the heart glad,
and the sweetness of a friend comes from his earnest counsel.

Proverbs 27:9

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KING CHARLES III CORONATION PICNIC

Thank you to Mr Harrison for organising a special family picnic event to celebrate the historic event of King Charles III coronation. It was a lovely afternoon, made all the more memorable by our fabulous choir. Thank you to all the parents/ carers who supported the event by providing the children with their picnic plate, baking a cake and coming along to enjoy the sunshine with your child. The winners of the Great British Bake Off can be seen later in this Newsletter. The event raised £416 for school fund. Thank you to everyone who contributed.



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>	96.67%
Whole school attendance week ending 19 th May 2023	95.92%
Class with best weekly attendance	RP & 2H – 100%

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.

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

TIPS FOR PARENTS BY PARENTS

Don't give in!
Follow through.

Be organised! Get everything ready from the night before. Have their coats and bags at the door, their lunch made and their clothes on the banisters.

Treat it like a military operation in the morning!

Don't give them a choice to stay at home.

Give yourself 15 minutes before the kids get up.

No TV, iPad or phones allowed in the morning.

Keep talking about the importance of school.

Early to bed the night before school, especially after holidays.

Come back to school after doctor/ dentist appointments.

Know how many days your child has missed in school.



**Number of pupils
with 100% attendance
this week**

349

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.

YEAR 4 MULTIPLICATION TABLES CHECK

Immediately following our half term holiday, all Y4 pupils will take part in the statutory times table check. The Multiplication Tables Check will be administered over a two week period starting on w/c Tuesday 6 June 2023.

Children will be tested using an on-screen check (on a computer or a tablet), where they will have to answer multiplication questions against the clock.

The test will last no longer than 5 minutes. Answers will be marked instantly. Children will have 6 seconds to answer each question in a series of 25. Each question will be worth one mark and be presented to the child in this format:
 $n1 \times n2 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

Questions will be selected from the 121 number facts that make up the multiplication tables from 2 to 12, with a particular focus on the 6, 7, 8, 9 and 12 times tables as they are considered to be the most challenging. Each question will only appear once in any 25-question series, and children won't be asked to answer reversals of a question as part of the check (so if they've already answered 3×4 they won't be asked about 4×3).

Once the child has inputted their answer on the computer / device they are using, there will be a three-second pause before the next question appears. Children will be given the opportunity to practise answering questions in this format before the official check begins.

The six-second time limit per question has been decided on by the DfE because it should allow children enough time to demonstrate their recall of times tables without giving them the time to work out the answers to each question.

Helping your child to prepare is easy! Simply ensure they access TTRockstars daily – we would recommend children play 3 games each day.

Watch as their score rapidly improves.

YEAR 1 PHONICS CHECK

School will administer the Phonics Screening Check the week beginning Monday 12 June 2023 to all Y1 pupils and to Y2 pupils who failed the check in December.

The Phonics Screening Check shows how well your child can use the phonics skills they've learned, and to identify children who need extra phonics help.

The checks consist of **40 words and non-words** that your child will be asked to read one-on-one with a teacher. Non-words (or nonsense words, or pseudo words) are a collection of letters that will follow phonics rules your child has been taught, but don't mean anything – your child will need to read these with the correct sounds to show that they understand the phonics rules behind them.

You can download the Department for Education's official [Year 1 Phonics screening check past paper from 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 & 2022](#) to get an idea of what your child will be asked to do.

Your child will be scored against a national standard, and the main result will be whether or not they fall below, within or above this standard.

You can help your child prepare for their Phonics Screening Check by going over the phonics they've learned in Reception and Year 1. Read new books and stories with them where they will be introduced to new words that they'll have to sound out, and [review the phonics sounds and rules](#).

As always, if you have any questions regarding the check, simply speak to your child's class teacher.

WANTED: MIDDAY SUPERVISOR

Are you interested in becoming a Midday Supervisor at St Ann's? We are looking to recruit a Midday Supervisor on a zero-hours contract to cover on an ad hoc basis. Please direct your expression of interest to our school office to find out more. We look forward to you joining our school team soon!



CLASS PHOTOGRAPH DAY



It is whole class photograph day on **Friday 16 June**. All children should wear full and correct winter school uniform with black shoes. Y6 school wear normal jumper/ cardy (not Leavers' Hoodie).

EXTRA CHOIR REHEARSALS

Reminder: If your child is in our choir, we have one extra rehearsal on Tuesday 6th June 3.15-4.15pm. Children should be collected from the main entrance.

FAMILY WORSHIP



Our next Family Worship will be led by 1A, all about Mindfulness, on **Friday 23rd June** at 9am in the school hall.

"WE WILL ROCK YOU"

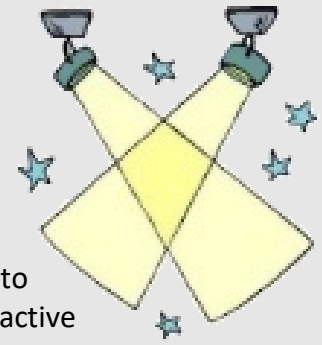


Tickets for our Year 6 end of year production are now on sale. Our talented Year 6 children will be performing "We Will Rock You: Young @Part" at St Helens Theatre Royal on Thursday 29th June, 7pm start.

Tickets can be purchased on ARBOR under "We Will Rock You" tickets Year 6 Production and cost £10 each. If you require a wheelchair space please indicate this in the narrative box. **Please make payment by 16th June** to enable us to release tickets the week beginning 19th June.

We are so excited to be back in the Theatre for the first time since 2019 and hope that you are able to join us for what promises to be a thoroughly entertaining show.

A SPOTLIGHT ON: CHARACTER EDUCATION



At St Ann's **pupils' character** is developed in numerous meaningful ways but most notably through the following examples:

- Our **Super Leaders** initiative gives pupils the qualities they need to flourish in society by teaching them to be responsible, respectful and active citizens in public life. It is instrumental to our character education offer. Each child is a member of an advocacy team which campaigns for change. By the end of each academic year, each team has made a difference to our school, local or global community e.g. Rights Respecting Parliament developed a child-friendly safeguarding policy and film, Health and Safety Team have promoted Road Safety, Town Troopers have led on charity work to make up food hampers for local families and Food Bank, our Eco Warriors made environmentally friendly reindeer food and our Equality Advocates designed a logo which is displayed in all classrooms and which celebrates equality and inclusion. Our pupils take citizenship so seriously that many raise money for charity in their own time.
- We are a **silver UNICEF Rights Respecting School** (soon to be Gold). This is central to developing pupils' character as the promotion of equality, dignity, respect and non-discrimination lie at the heart of achieving the award.
- During **Stand Up Speak Up Week** children become courageous advocates, standing up for the poor, marginalised or the rights of children globally. The aim of the week is to create the confidence that we can make a real change in the face of adversity. During SUSU Weeks, children have studied social issues such as climate change and the education of women. Stimuli for the week has been a whole school shared book or learning about children around the world who have been agents of change such as Malala or Greta Thunberg. Tangible outcomes of the children's work have shown the children to be strong in their convictions.
- **STAR Day** is our annual charity fundraising day whereby each year group chooses a charitable cause to raise awareness of and fund-raise for.

CHARACTER EDUCATION



YEAR 4 COMPETITION

We are thrilled to announce our Times Tables Challenge!

We firmly believe that practising times tables regularly is crucial for your child's mathematical development, and will support them in the upcoming Multiplication Check. It helps them build fluency, accuracy, and confidence in solving mathematical problems. To encourage and motivate our students, we have decided to introduce a fun incentive challenge.

Starting from Monday 15th May, if your child commits to practising their times tables on Times Table Rockstars every day for the duration of four weeks up until Monday 12th June, they will be eligible to enter a draw for a chance to win a cinema voucher! This reward not only acknowledges their hard work but also provides an opportunity for a fun-filled family outing.

We believe this incentive program will not only make the learning process more enjoyable for your child but also provide them with a sense of achievement and motivation. It is essential to emphasise that the true reward lies in the improved mathematical skills they will gain through consistent practice.

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in your child's education. If you have any questions or require further information, please feel free to reach out to us. We look forward to witnessing the progress and success of all our students.

CORONATION PICNIC CAKE COMPETITION

Many thanks to all those parents and children who took the time and trouble to enter our Bake-Off competition. Every entry was fantastic and the children helped to raise a lot of money for the school.

Below is the list of winning cakes (judged by our Director of Well Being, Linda Smith)

Overall Winner: Mason P - 1A
UKS2 Winner: Erin P - 6M
LKS2 Winner: Chloe B - 3H
KS1 winner: Vincent H - EYP

Special Prizes: William C - 3E
Lucy B - 3H



The lucky winner of our raffle was Faye C – 2H

MARK BARROW FUN RUN



Today we brought Healthy Living week to an end by celebrating the life of Mark Barrow with our annual fun run in his memory. It was wonderful to see all of our children complete the run and the weather was most certainly on our side. Below are the results from each individual race. A huge congratulations to Alex Ball (6M) who was our fastest girl and Sam Lutas (6A) who was our fastest boy.

Class	Boy Winner	Time	Girl Winner	Time
EYP	James J		Seren M	
EYR	Samuel L		Sienna W	
1T	George R		Martha S	
1A	Haris F		Sophia H	
2H	Frankie H		Faye C	
2B	Lewis C		Lottie L	
3E	Teddy P		Lyla H	
3H	Isaac B		Scarlett R-J	
4F	Max D		Sophie L	
4H	Jack E		Keeva A	
5D	Nathan H	1:00:78	Martha S	1:09:37
5O	Louie W	1:03:97	Amy P	1:10:76
6A	Sam L	00:56:49	Hannah M	0:58:86
6M	Euan W	00:59.78	Alex B	00:54:01



NEW STARTER DROP IN AFTER SCHOOL SESSIONS



Early Years drop in sessions will take place after school from 3.30pm until 5pm on Wednesday 24th May, and Thursday 8th June.

These sessions are an opportunity for new starters and their parents/carers to pop into school, meet the staff, see the area and say hello! Everyone is welcome to come along to one of the drop – in sessions, any time between 3.30pm and 5pm, stay for as little or as long as they wish and staff will be happy to answer any questions you may have about starting school.



RECYCLE 4 SCHOOL

Throughout the summer term, as the Town Troopers Super Leaders

Team, the children in 2B are promoting a fundraising scheme that will help our school raise funds through textile recycling. The Recycle 4 School scheme is designed to develop student's awareness of textile recycling while providing them with a platform to generate funds.

What does this look like?

This week, every child has been provided with a recycling bag to fill with any unwanted clothes and shoes. These bags can be brought into school and will be collected by the Recycle 4 School Team. The total weight of the items recycled will then generate funds that will directly contribute towards school fund. The deadline to bring full recycling bags will be Thursday 8th June. Any donations would be fantastic.

YEAR 3 TRIP

Last week, Year 3 enjoyed their school trip to the Museum of Science and Industry in Manchester. Children explored the museum and looked at the objects and innovations from the past that helped to revolutionise the world. Children linked learning from their Year 2 history topic when they looked at the machinery that was used during the Victorian times. Children explored the experiment floor and took part in the interesting activities to further their scientific learning. The day was topped off with an explosions workshop where the children learned about what makes an explosion and got to experience different types of explosions first hand.

We had an amazing time and are looking forward to our next trip.



YEAR 6 LEAVERS' SERVICE AND SCHOOL CHOIR PERFORMANCE AT ANGLICAN CATHEDRAL

On **Tuesday 13 June** our Y6 children will attend the Leavers' Service at the Anglican Cathedral. Our school choir will also be performing at the event.



The service is a celebration of life at primary school and about looking forward to moving on to secondary school. This year the content of the service is based on the account of the Israelites entering the promised land and the walls of Jericho collapsing, and will be led by 'In Another Place'

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

All children will leave school by coach in the morning to take part in workshops and possibly a tour of the cathedral. The service will commence at 1pm. The service will last approximately 1 hour. Children will return to school via coach. Traffic permitting, we will return to school in time for the end of the school day. If timings change, we will communicate this to parents at the earliest opportunity.

PARENTS/ CARERS OF Y6 & CHOIR CHILDREN

The cathedral is open to the public at the same time and therefore it is possible for parents/ carers to attend this service. Parents/ carers are seated separately from all schools who will attend this special service. Parents must make their own way to the cathedral. Parents/ carers will not be able to collect their child from the service

WHAT TO WEAR

Children should wear full school uniform with black school shoes (not PE kit or Leavers' Hoodie). This is to both look smart, and also for health and safety reasons.



DONATIONS

World Vision



This year the Diocese are supporting World Vision Charity and especially their work in supporting children and families in Ukraine. This link illustrates some of the work

that they are doing [Donate to help children in Ukraine | World Vision UK](#)

To help with this there will be an opportunity during the service for children to bring donations forward (as in previous years). If you would like your child to make a donation, please send this into school with them in a labelled envelope.

Please note, there may be official photographs taken at the service for use in diocesan publicity.



CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY CEREMONY

Your child's extra-curricular activity hours have been banked and counted in preparation for this year's ceremony. We are in communication with the Children's University co-ordinator and will soon be able to announce details of this year's graduation ceremony. Please keep an eye out for communication from the school, with regard this, in the near future.

SPORTS DAY

Many thanks to Mr Evans and Mr Crane for organising and running this year's Sports Days. Well done to all of our children for participating in the activities. We are very proud that you have all shown teamwork, resilience and togetherness throughout the course of the week. The winning teams from each class can be found in the table on the next page.



Class	Team Winners	Team Points	Team Members
EYP	Wales	31	Layla H, James J, Senara W, Lily F-T, Benjamin J, Louie M, Ralph P
EYR	England	25	Francesca K, Isla L, Noah H, Daniel L, Theo M, Ella M, Ryan T
1T	England	25	Sofia C, Grace K, Harrison J, Pembee N, Harry P, Eli B, George R
1A	Scotland	23	Evie E, Onia FR, Alice J, Hannah D, Ben C, Haris F, Oliver M, Mason P
2H	Northern Ireland	20	Isla C, Lucia S, Leighton R, Michael B-H, Alana F, Sophia J, Elijah J, Conor D
2B	Wales	26	Brooklyn L, Gigi M, Jude H-C, Sonny O, Matilda W, Evelyn W, Thomas P, Bilal C
3E	Scotland	21	Leyton S, Joel L, Henry S, William C, Jessica M, Maisie J, Sansa C
3H	Northern Ireland	22	Joe A, Phoebe R, Lucas B, Scarlet R-J, Faye B, Elliot W, Jasmine W
4F	Wales	26	Thomas R, Joseph J, Hunter M, Perla M, Poppy L, Scarlett M, Skyla K
4H	Scotland	27	Jack E, Stevie S, Jacob P, Oliver P, Olivia C, Olivia S, Lily S
5O	Northern Ireland	24	Niamh S, Myla R, Chloe C, Alex R, Blake H, Ollie H, Ben M
5D	Northern Ireland	22	Faye C, Lucy B, Declan L, Nathan H, Ava H, Ethan K, Jacob L,
6A	England	30	Oliver B, Breeze D, Kyla M, Laia M, Georgia P, Jonas R, James T, Jasmine W
6M	Northern Ireland	26	Gabriel T, Madison L, Lucas B, Millie C, Jack M, Charlotte S, Evie L



SAFEGUARDING TOP TIP #10

Worrying about the holidays

The holidays are different for everyone. You might be excited about a holiday or having time off, or you could be thinking about what might happen or how you'll cope.

You might be worried about:

- feeling lonely or not going out
- not seeing people who normally support you
- problems at home or having to care for your family
- coping without a routine
- being hurt or abused.

Childline is there all through the holidays to support you, whether that's having someone to talk to, giving you ideas of things to do or helping you to get support when you need it.

You can keep yourself occupied over the holidays by playing games, completing a journal or writing down your mood and feelings on a chart.

Childline 0800 1111

School closes for half
term today, Thursday
25th May.

School re-opens after
half term on Tuesday 6th
June.



UK Health
Security
Agency

NHS

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



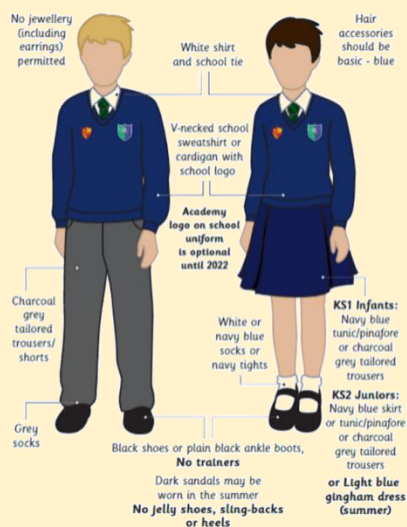
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Advice and guidance

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

GENERAL INFORMATION/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



TOAST

The deadline for Toast (Years 1-6) for the next half term (6th June -19th July) has now passed. Details of the payments required for the next academic year will follow shortly.

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:

Summer 2 - £6.40 as soon as possible if not already paid.

TERM DATES

Term	Open on	Close on
Autumn Term 2022	5 th September 2022	20 th October 2022
	31 st October 2022	21 st December 2022
Spring Term 2023	4 th January 2023	10 th February 2023
	20 th February 2023	31 st March 2023
Summer Term 2023	17 th April 2023	25 th May 2023
	6 th June 2023	19 th 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 so that arrangements can be made to issue the item. Current prices are as follows:

School Bag £10.00

Junior Tie £4.00

Elasticated Tie £3.50

Children's University Passport £3.00

Replacement Home School Diary £4.00

Courtesy

Care

Concentration



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Headteacher: Mrs Laura Rynn

‘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 - SUMMER TERM

DAY	DATE	EVENT
Tuesday	6 th June 2023	School Opens
Tuesday	6 th June 2023	Y4 Multiplication Timestable Check to take place over next 3 weeks
Wednesday	7 th June 2023	Y3 trip to Liverpool Empire – “Annie”
Mon-Fri	12 th -16 th June 2023	Y1 Phonics Screening Check to take place this week
Tuesday	13 th June 2023	Y2 Trip to Liverpool Philharmonic
Tuesday	13 th June 2023	Y6 Leavers Service @ Anglican Cathedral, pm School Choir singing at this event
Thursday	15 th June 2023	EYFS Trip to Songfest
Friday	16 th June 2023	Class Photographs
Friday	16 th June 2023	Y4 Trip to Formby Beach
Monday	19 th June 2023	Summer Assessment Week
Thursday	22 nd June 2023	Y1 Trip - Story Barn
Thursday	22 nd June 2023	Parent Forum 2.00-3.00pm <i>Reps only</i>
Thursday	29 th June 2023	Y6 Production @ St Helens Theatre Royal
Friday	30 th June 2023	EYFS trip to Knowsley Safari Park

Friday	30 th June 2023	Early Years Family Worship, 9.00am (hall)
Mon-Wed	3 rd -4 th July 2023	St Ann's Transition Days RHS Transition Days
Thursday	6 th July 2023	Y6 Communion Service @ St Ann's Church, 9.30am
Friday	7 th July 2023	End of Year School Reports sent home
Mon-Wed	10 th -12 th July 2023	Y5 & Y6 Lakeside Residential
Friday	14 th July 2023	Altru Eyes Open Performance for Y6
Friday	14 th July 2023	Children's University Passport Bank
Monday	17 th July 2023	Y4 trip to Shakespeare North Playhouse
Tuesday	18 th July 2023	Awards Evening – Details TBC Y6 Leavers Disco – Time TBC
Wednesday	19 th July 2023	Y6 Leavers Service 9.30am Church



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Teen Sleep Hub
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Helpline
Call on 03303 530 541



**Children's Sleep
eBook**



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TUESDAY 30TH MAY - FRIDAY 2ND JUNE

MULTI-SPORTS

**TUESDAY 30TH
WEDNESDAY 31ST
THURSDAY 1ST
FRIDAY 2ND**

NERF WARS DAY
WET WEDNESDAY
TOURNAMENT THURSDAY
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PER DAY

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BOYS & GIRLS**

RIVINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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ACCEPTED**

9:30 - 3:30

**WRAPAROUND
8AM - 6PM**



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