



St Ann's Church of England Primary School



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

Value of the Half Term

Thankfulness

Newsletter Issue 4

Friday 29 September 2023

I will praise you, LORD, with all my heart;
I will tell of all the wonderful things you have done.

Psalm 9:1

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**WORLD'S BIGGEST
COFFEE MORNING**

MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Many thanks to everyone who supported our annual Macmillan Coffee Morning in one way or another. We look forward to sharing the amount #TeamStAnns raised for Macmillan this year. Well done to our KS2 Choir on their first performance of the year.



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

BE AN ATTENDANCE
SUPERHERO!

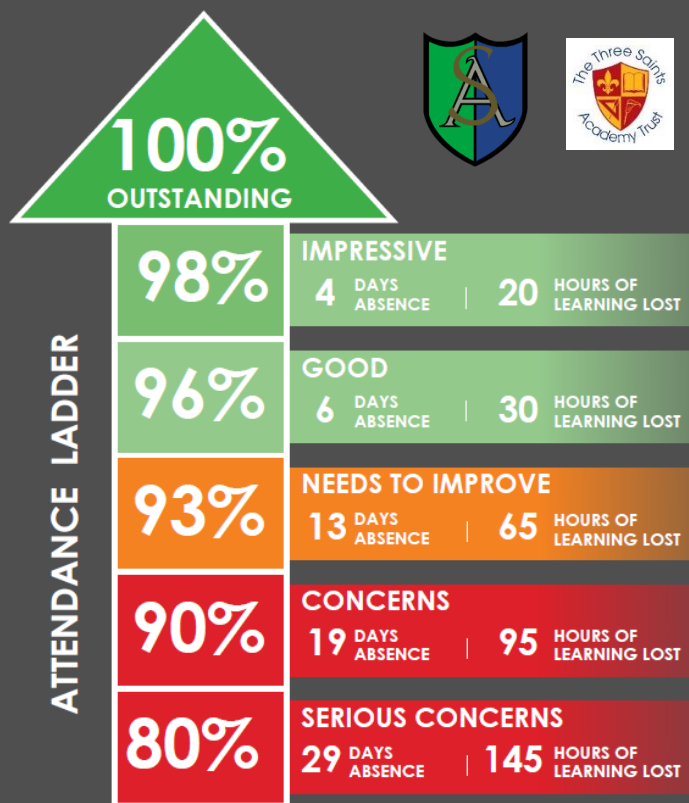
Whole school attendance year to date <i>Whole School target 96%</i>	97.62%
Whole school attendance week ending 22 nd September 2023	96.55%
Class with best weekly attendance	1M – 100%

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 DAY COUNTS!

School and **future success** starts with good attendance!



Remember - your education is important - **don't miss out!**

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

363

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.

JOB VACANCIES AT ST ANN'S

Level 2 Teaching Assistant Level 3 Teaching Assistant Therapeutic Teaching Assistant

The Three Saints Academy Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of its pupils and expects all those working within the trust to share this commitment. All offers of employment are subject to an Enhanced DBS check, and where applicable, a prohibition from teaching check will be completed for all applicants.

Visits to the school are encouraged and warmly welcomed. Please telephone to arrange an appointment (0151 426 5869).

Application Process:

The application pack is available on <http://www.three-saints.org.uk/index.php/vacancies/>. CVs will not be accepted.

Closing Date & Short-listing: Monday 2 October 2023

Interviews: See individual adverts

We are seeking to appoint some highly motivated, enthusiastic and talented people to join our outstanding primary school, and who shares our vision for providing a first-class education and instilling all our children with a love of learning.

We are looking for people who:

- Like working with children
- Are passionate and enthusiastic for learning
- Can establish good working relationships with children, staff and parents
- Can take direction and work on own initiative
- Can work as part of a team
- Promote positive behaviour
- Are hard working and conscientious
- Are excellent communicators
- Are organised and efficient
- Are friendly and flexible
- Are professional and positive
- Understand confidentiality



St Ann's is an over-subscribed, two form entry Church of England primary school, with a strong track record of achievement and an outstanding judgement from Ofsted and excellent from SIAMs. We nurture and care for our children in a Christian ethos, placing our children and their family at the centre of our work. Our children are encouraged to be independent, creative and reflective learners who can self-manage, work within a team and effectively participate and communicate.

What we can offer you:

We can offer you:

- fantastic children with a positive attitude towards learning and excellent behaviour;
- the support of a dedicated, committed and creative staff team;
- the opportunity to be part of an outstanding school;
- a school already established in developing practitioners and nurturing its staff because of its unrivalled opportunities for professional development through the Northwest Learning Partnership and NW3 Maths Hub which are within our MAT;
- an engaging, bespoke curriculum;
- supportive School Committee, Directors and parents

DEDICATION OF THE YEAR SERVICE FOR EARLY YEARS & OTHER NEW STARTERS



On **Thursday 26 October 2023 @ 2pm**, our Dedication of the School Year Service will take place at St Ann's Church. This is the service where we officially welcome our Reception children and all other children new to our school since this time last year.

Parents/ carers of all our new starters are encouraged to join us for this special service.



SWIMMING 2023-24

6M will swim at Halewood Volair on the following dates: **17, 18, 19, 20, 24, 25 & 26 October 2023.**
Separate letter to follow.

6A will swim in January 2024.

FAMILY WORSHIP

On Friday 6 October at 9am, 6A will lead the first Family Worship of the academic year in the hall. Please wait at the back of school by the hall door ready to be let in.



**Keeping
children safe
is everyone's
responsibility**



SAFGUARDING TOP TIP #4

Stranger Danger

NEVER-Agree to meet a stranger.

NEVER-Go anywhere or do anything with someone that you do not know.

NEVER-Take sweets or presents from someone you do not know.

NEVER-Never get into a car or vehicle of someone you do not know.

NEVER-Give personal details to a stranger.

ALWAYS -Tell your parents or responsible adult where you are going.

ALWAYS -Arrange a time to be back and **STICK** to it.

ALWAYS -Look out for your friends when you're out and about.

ALWAYS -Know your address and contact number for a responsible adult in an emergency.

DENTAL EXAMINATIONS FOR RECEPTION & YEAR 1 CHILDREN

The Office for Health Improvement and Disparities (OHID) and St Helens Local Authority are undertaking a dental survey of 5 year old children in schools across England. The survey provides information on the oral health of children and aims to support actions to improve oral health, reduce health inequalities and improve the provision of treatment services.

The dental survey is commissioned by St Helens local authority and involves a dental examination of selected reception and year 1 children. The survey will take place at St Ann's on **Tuesday 7 November 2023**.

Having a healthy mouth is important to overall health and wellbeing. Children who have tooth decay may have pain, infections, difficulties with eating, sleeping and socialising and may require time off school for dental treatment.

Oral health is therefore an important aspect of a child's overall health status and of their school readiness. Oral health is seen as a marker of wider health and social care issues including poor nutrition and obesity. Interventions that reduce sugar intake have the potential to impact tooth decay and obesity because high intakes of free-sugars are known risk factors for both.

Click on the link below to find out what happens during the examination:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=BzrjK8HRpD8



School Admissions Calendar: 2024-2025 School Year Intakes

	Closing Dates for Applications	Letter/Email to Parents
Secondary (portal opened 4th September 2023 closes 31st October 2023)	31 October 2023	1 March 2024
Primary (portal opens 18th September 2023 closes 15th January 2024)	15 January 2024	16 April 2024
Nursery Autumn 2024 Intake (portal was open 12 June 2023 -21 July 2023)	21 July 2023	22 September 2023
Nursery Spring 2025 Intake	19 July 2024	20 September 2024
Nursery Summer 2025 Intake	19 July 2024	20 September 2024

For further information please contact the School Admissions Section on 01744 671035 (Nursery and Primary Allocations), 01744 671030 (Secondary Allocation) and 01744 671027 (In Year Transfers).



A SPOTLIGHT ON SAFEGUARDING



All adults have a legal responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of children. This means everyone is required to take action to protect children from maltreatment, prevent impairment to children's physical and mental health or development and ensure that children grow up in circumstances with the provision of safe and effective care.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

If you have concerns about children who attend St Ann's, act immediately and report it to Mrs Rynn or any of the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads. Early information sharing is vital in keeping children safe.

For more information about how St Ann's safeguards children, check out our website and Child Protection & Safeguarding Policy.



Video...



What happens when I report a concern?

Adults will help you by answering questions that you have and telling you what will happen next.



BEST INTERESTS OF THE CHILD



Who can I talk to?
Anyone!

Who do you report your concerns to?

Mrs Rynn - Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mrs Crowther, Mrs Hartley, Miss Foster, Mrs Preston: Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads



Need to talk?

There is a 'Need to talk' button on the school website where you can submit any online worries.

Childline

Childline is here to help anyone under 19 in the UK with any issue they're going through.



Everyone has the right to feel secure and happy in school and at home. We encourage all children to talk, and everyone has the right to be listened to.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Well done to all our children who took part in the summer reading challenge during the school holidays. Rainhill library have informed us that 31 children from #TeamStAnn's took part. We are especially proud of Henry in 4C for being awarded with the Old Reader Award. If your child won a special award for taking part in this year's summer reading challenge, contact school and let us know.

We love hearing the children's good news stories 😊



HEIGHT & WEIGHT EXAMINATIONS

On Thursday 5 October EYs and Y6 children will have their weight and height examinations.

HARVEST SERVICE

On **Friday 13 October at 2pm** Year 4 will lead our Harvest Service at St Ann's Church.

Everyone welcome!

SPORTS UPDATE

Well done to our Year 4 Dodgeball team who attended Broadway Badminton Centre last week and secured a medal during the competition. The children were really excited to share their victory with their peers back at School as well as the teachers!



Well done to our Year 5 Boys Football Team who attended a competition at Sutton High School this week. The boys showed some excellent resilience and team work to dig in and get some good results. Well done boys!

Results:

St Ann's 1-1 Rainford

Goals: Lucas G (5B)

District 1-1 St Ann's

Goals: Jack E (5D)

St Barts 1-0 St Ann's

Leigh Vale 0-1 St Ann's

St Ann's 1-1 Bleak Hill

Goals: Noah F (5B)

Eccleston Mere 0-0 St Ann's

Queens Park 0-0 St Ann's



A fantastic opportunity for some of our Year 1 children this week as they attended the Liverpool Academy in Kirkby. During the session the children were put through their paces learning lots of different skills such as running and jumping during training activities and were even involved in some mini matches.



SPORTS COMPETITIONS POLITE REMINDER

We have received correspondence from the Active Lives Sports Development Officer at St Helens Council to ask us to remind parents/ carers that they are not permitted to attend the sports competitions that our pupils are often invited to attend. The sites the competitions are usually held at are operational and therefore for safeguarding purposes it is not appropriate for parents/ carers to attend. Over 15 parents from various schools across the borough were counted as being present at the competition held on Elton Head Road this week, and this may understandably have made the children not taking part in the competition but whom were playing out on the yard/field feel uncomfortable. We appreciate this is disappointing, but feel sure our parents will understand and respect this request.

Thank you for your co-operation.

PARENT FORUM

We have Parent Forum Rep vacancies in the following classes and keen to fill them.

EYR, 4C, 5B, 5D, 6A & 6M

If you are interested in being a Parent Rep, please contact school on stannsce@three-saints.org.uk



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>.

E-SAFETY ALERT



Quora is a Q&A platform that empowers people to share and grow the world's knowledge. People come to Quora to ask questions about any subject, read high quality knowledge that's personalized and relevant to them, and share their own knowledge with others.

However The Liverpool Safeguarding Team have been contacted by the Crisis CAMHS Team to express concerns around children accessing an app called Quora. This is reported to be a site that gives tips, and encouragement to children in taking their own life.

Please can you share this concern with your agencies and safeguarding colleagues, so they are alerted to the issue?

Further support links



[UK Safer Internet Centre Homepage - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)



[Childnet — Online safety for young people](#)



[Eliminating Child Sexual Abuse Online – Internet Watch Foundation \(iwf.org.uk\)](#)



[Safety and Security Online | SWGfL](#)



[National Online Safety | Keeping Children Safe Online in Education](#)



SCHOOL NURSE DROP IN SESSION

Monday 23rd October 8.30-10am.

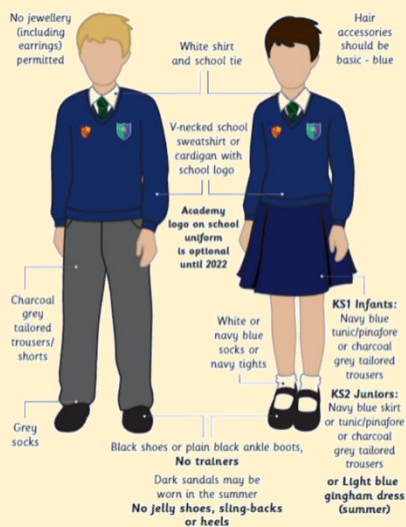
If you can wait near the BASE door a member of staff will greet you.

Thank you



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.*

TOAST YEARS 1-6

The deadline for Toast (Years 1-6) for this half term has now passed. Please see the flyer attached to this Newsletter for details of the payments required for future half terms.

SCHOOL SHOES REMINDER



EARLY YEARS SNACK

Foundation stage children receive Snack on a daily basis. We would be most grateful if you would make

TERM DATES

Term	Open on	Close on
Autumn Term 2023	5th September 2023	26th October 2023
	6th November 2023	22nd December 2023
Spring Term 2024	9th January 2024	9th February 2024
	19th February 2024	28th March 2024
Summer Term 2024	15th April 2024	22nd May 2024
	3rd June 2024	23rd July 2024

payment on Arbor of the following amounts by the due dates:

Autumn 1 - £11.40 at your earliest convenience (if not already paid)

Autumn 2 - £10.50 by 18th October 2023

Spring 1 - £7.20 by 19th December 2023

Spring 2 - £8.70 by 31st January 2024

Summer 1 - £8.40 by 20th March 2024

Summer 2 - £11.10 by 15th May 2024

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 £5.00

Replacement Home £5.00

School Diary

Courtesy

Care

Concentration



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Email: stannsce@three-saints.org.uk

Twitter: [@RainhillStAnns](https://twitter.com/RainhillStAnns)

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

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	£9.50	13th July 2023
Autumn 2	£8.75	18th October 2023
Spring 1	£6.00	19th December 2023
Spring 2	£7.25	31st January 2024
Summer 1	£7.00	20th March 2024
Summer 2	£9.25	15th May 2024

Total for year £47.75

DATES FOR DIARY SEPTEMBER 2023

DAY	DATE	EVENT
Friday	6 th October 2023	6A Family Worship 9.00-9.30am
Friday	13 th October 2023	Nasal Flu Vaccinations
Friday	13 th October 2023	Y4 Lead Harvest Service 2.15-3.15pm @ Church
Tuesday-Friday	17 th – 20 th October 2023	6M Swimming
Wednesday	18 th October 2023	Parent Forum 2.00-3.00pm
Friday	20 th October 2023	6M Family Worship 9.00- 9.30am
Monday	23 rd October 2023	School Photograph Day
Thursday	26 th October 2023	Dedication Service @ Church for Ey's & new starters
Thursday	26 th October 2023	School Closes
Monday	6 th November 2023	School Opens
Wednesday	8 th November 2023	Open Day for New Intake Session 1. 9.30-10.30am Session 2. 1.30-2.30pm
Friday	10 th November 2023	5B Family Worship
Friday	17 th November 2023	Children in Need 9.00am – 3.00pm
Friday	24 th November 2023	5D Family Worship 9.00-9.30am
Friday	1 st December 2023	4H Family Worship 9.00-9.30am
Thursday	14 th December 2023	Y1 Pantomime @ The Theatre Royal
Monday & Tuesday	18 th / 19 th December 2023	KS1 Nativity Performances
Wednesday	20 th December 2023	Y2 Christmas Party
Thursday	21 st December 2023	EY's & Y1 Christmas Party Y3 & Y4 Christmas Party
Friday	22 nd December 2023	Children's University Passport Y5 & Y6 Christmas Party Y3 Lead Christmas Service @ Church 9.30am
Friday	22 nd December 2023	School Closes
Tuesday	9 th January 2024	School Open