



# 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 5

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Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever

1 Chronicles 16:34

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## MUSICAL INSTRUMENT TUITION

Is your child interested in learning to play a musical instrument? To find out about instrument choices and costs of tuition, why not come along to the Schools' Music Service Roadshow on Wednesday 18 October at 3.30pm. After collecting your child, enter school via the back hall door.



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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>	97.1%
Whole school attendance week ending 29 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	95.82%
Class with best weekly attendance	1M- 99%

### 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.

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

**361**

### Punctuality

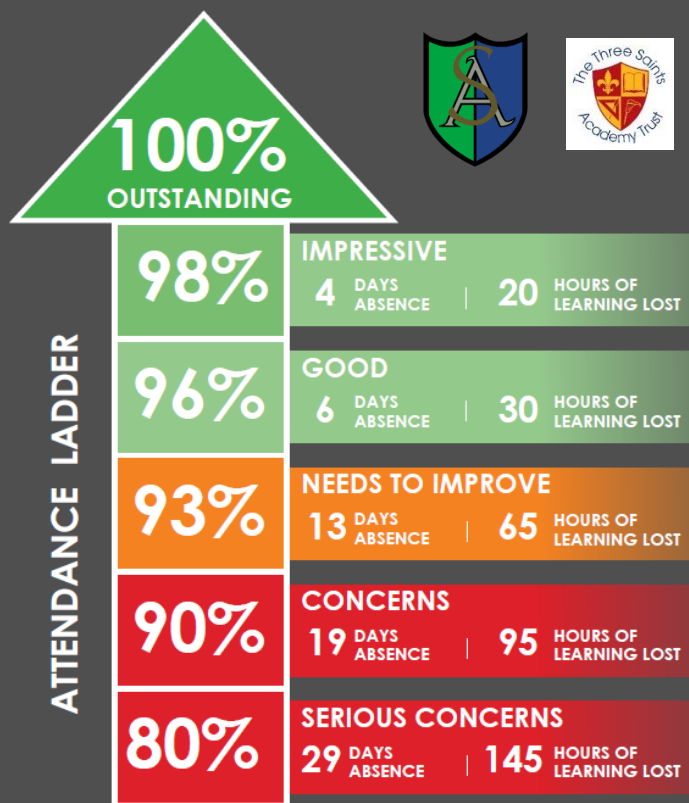
School starts at **8.50am**.  
Lessons start at **8.50am**.

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.

## EVERY DAY COUNTS!

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



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

## SAFGUARDING TOP TIP #5

### Keeping your child safe in sport

Sport and exercise are great ways for children and young people to learn new skills, keep fit and make friends. Whether it's a martial arts club, football, dancing or swimming sports can be an important part of growing up and learning to be more independent. Wherever children and young people are, it's important they're safe and happy.

### What to look for in a sports club, group or activity?

It's important to look for a sports club, group or activity that takes the safety and wellbeing of your child seriously. Always check if the club or organisation is accredited or affiliated to a body (e.g. a sport's governing body), as this should mean they have the right safeguarding policies and procedures in place. Even if they're accredited, we detail some key things to look for below to ensure they take children's and young people's safety seriously.



- A safe environment
- A welfare or child protection officer
- Effective consent and emergency processes
  - Procedures and processes
  - Safe recruitment processes
  - Safeguarding training
  - Suitable supervision
- Written standards of good practice

Remember, it's never wrong to ask for more information when it comes to children's and young people's safety, wellbeing and safeguarding.

**Be their  
biggest  
supporter**

NSPCC- <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/away-from-home/sports-clubs/>



## **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

Well done to 6A on their wonderful Family Worship in celebration of Black History Month.

On Friday 20 October at 9am, 6M will lead their Family Worship in the hall. Please wait at the back of school by the hall door ready to be let in.



## 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](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BzrjK8HRpD8)

## SNACK

Only fruit, vegetable or toast can be brought into school for consumption at break time. Toast can be provided by school subject to receiving payment through Arbor by the deadlines previously notified. Children in Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 receive a free piece of fruit daily. These snacks meet the School Food Standards for foods. Parents support with this would be greatly appreciated to ensure teachers' time remains focused on the children's learning. Thank you.



## A SPOTLIGHT ON CURRICULUM & CULTURAL OFFER



### What is the Curriculum & Cultural Offer at St. Ann's?

At St Ann's we recognise that helping our children to grow isn't just about their academic development: it is about their personal development too.

Developing our children's cultural awareness and experiences is a golden thread that runs through everything we do at St Ann's, from what your child experiences on a day to day basis, to learning outside the classroom and beyond the school day, to inviting you and your families to experience cultural events in the wider community.



*I believe that all children can and should benefit from receiving a wide-ranging, adventurous and creative Cultural Education. For many young people, Cultural activities form a vital part of their everyday lives. These activities are academically, physically and socially enriching, whether they take place in school or out-of-school. (Darren Henley, 2012)*

### A Broad Cultural Education for All



Schools remain the single most important place where children learn about Cultural Education. This begins with our curriculum. All units of work in each subject has a cultural focus, whether that is the study of contrasting countries to our own in Geography, unique artwork from around the world in Art and Design, or the customs of different civilization in History. From the texts we choose for English lessons to the food created in Design and Technology, children are exposed to aspects of different cultures throughout their classroom learning.

Experiencing cultural events and visiting the cultural venues on our door step, is also a significant part of our cultural offer at St Ann's. From musical theatre to residencies, from art galleries to museums, by the time children leave our school they will have experienced a minimum of fourteen cultural and curriculum visits or experiences. Did you know these visits are subsidized by the school?

And of course, our programme of after school clubs, also supports our vision for developing our pupils' cultural knowledge.



### Cost Free Culture Newsletters



St Ann's parents receive regular newsletters which signpost low or no cost cultural experiences in the St Helens and Liverpool area. We hope these newsletters provide you with ways in which you can develop your child's cultural awareness as a family.

*Children should expect to be given a rich menu of cultural experiences.  
(The Importance of Teaching the Schools White Paper, 2010)*

## UNIFORM POLICY REMINDER

For Health & Safety reasons, the only bags children are permitted to bring into school are the school books bags. This helps us to maintain a clutter-free environment and reduces trip hazards. Children should only bring additional bags when they are swimming or have an after school club. Thank you for your support.

## MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING



Huge thanks to everyone who supported our annual Macmillan Coffee Morning. Together we managed to raise £616.40 for this very important charity close to all our hearts.

## FOOD BANK

We feel sure that you will be pleased to hear that any cakes left over from our Macmillan Coffee Morning were donated to our local food bank.

#TogetherWeCanMakeADifference



## PRELOVED ST ANN'S UNIFORM

Did you know we have Pre-Loved Uniform waiting to go to a new home? If your child is in need of winter or summer uniform, pop into school to see if we have what you are looking for. 😊



## FLU VACCINATIONS

Children with consent will have their nasal flu vaccination on **Friday 13th October**.

## HARVEST SERVICE

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

**Everyone welcome!**

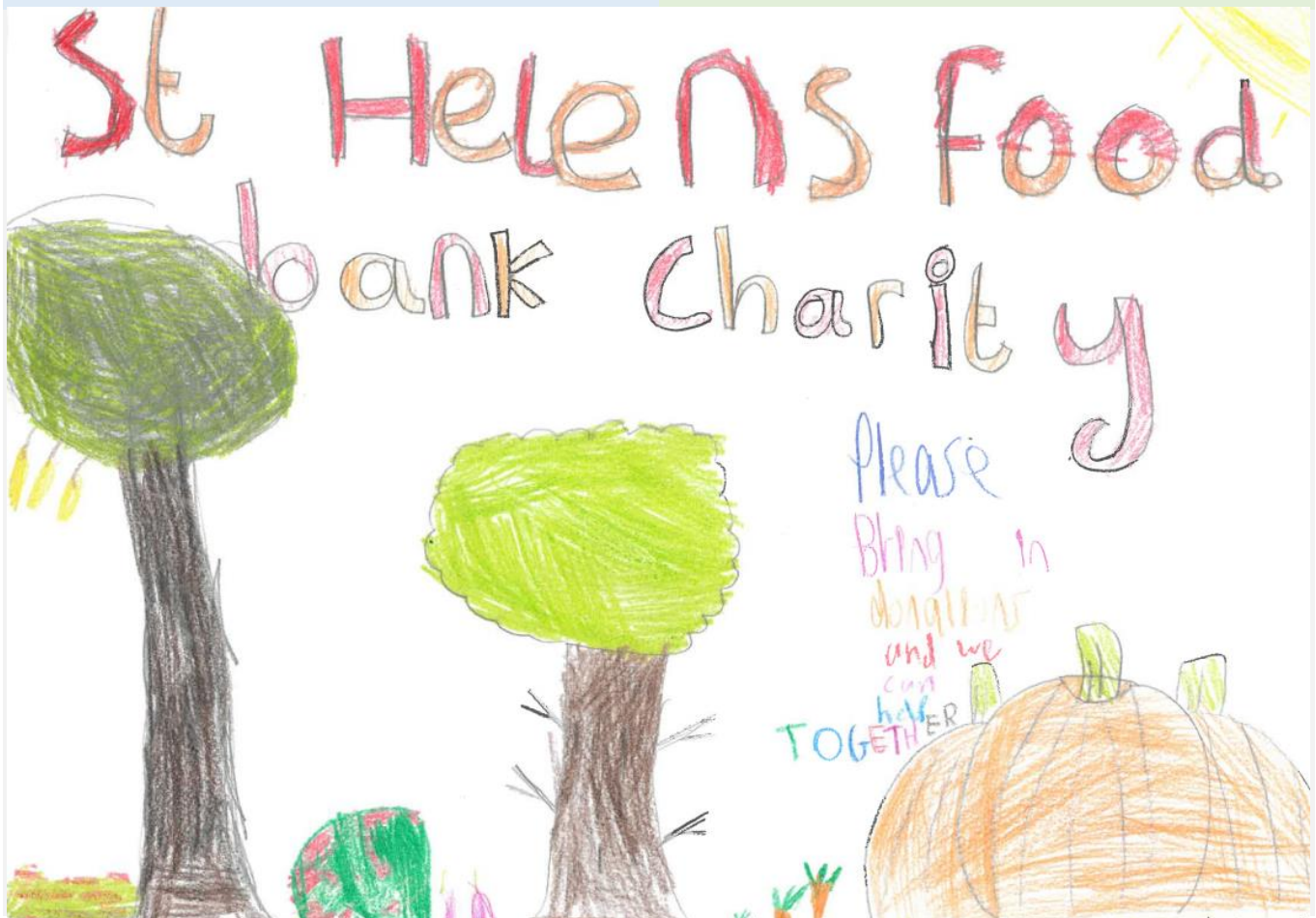
*We would like to encourage families who attend to make a donation to the church, this can be done via cash or card. This will be gratefully received. Many thanks for your support in advance.*

## IT'S HARVEST TIME! HARVEST SERVICE COLLECTION

This Harvest Time #TeamStAnns are collecting items to donate to our local foodbank.

Donations can be made from **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> October**. Simply bring your donations to the school office or send them in with your child.

Unfortunately the food bank can not accept perishable items. Thank you for your support.



## PARENT INSIGHT SESSIONS



Want to find out more about how your child is taught? Then come along to our Parent Insight sessions! This time, the focus is on Maths.

1 parent/ carer is invited to join their child for one demonstration lesson which is designed to give you an insight into teaching and learning in that subject area. Dates and times can be seen below.

Lessons will take place in the Studio to ensure there is enough space. To enter, parents/ carers should wait at the front of school by the blue Base door 5 minutes before the start of the session.

Siblings who do not attend the school are not permitted to attend for health and safety reasons. Mobile phone should be switched off before you enter the premises.

The session will begin with a brief talk from your child's class teacher about the session you will take part in.

Children whose parents/ carers do not attend, will still take part in the lesson.

Class	Date	Time
EYP	Please see below	
EYR	Please see below	
1M	Tuesday 17 October	1.15am
1T	Tuesday 17 October	2.15am
2H	Monday 16 October	1.15am
2O	Monday 16 October	2.15am
3E	Thursday 19 October	9.15am
3H	Thursday 19 October	10.15am
4C	Monday 16 October	9.30am
4H	Monday 16 October	10.30am
5B	Tuesday 17 October	9.15am
5D	Tuesday 17 October	10.15am
6A	Wednesday 18 October	9.15am
6M	Wednesday 18 October	10.15am

### EY PARENT INSIGHT

On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October we will be holding our first EYFS Parent Insight Session. This session will be focused on Phonics and Early Reading. During the session parents will be introduced to our Phonics scheme Read Write Inc. Parents will be given the opportunity to explore how Phonics is taught in the Early Years and how parents can support the teaching of Phonics at home.

At the end of the session parents will be invited into the EYFS setting to take part in story time with their child. **EYFS Parent Insight will take place at 2.15pm on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October.** We kindly ask that only one parent or carer per child attends the session. Unfortunately, due to health and safety siblings are unable to attend these sessions.

All parents will enter school via the Blue BASE door at the front of school. We look forward to seeing you!



## PARENT FORUM

Our first Parent Forum session of the new school year is taking place on **Wednesday 18 October @ 2pm**. Please speak to your class parent rep, if you have something to raise during the meeting.



## 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](mailto: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://qrcr.de/minfec>.

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## Let's Talk PANTS

Talk PANTS is all about having important conversations with children to help keep them safe from sexual abuse – with the help of Pantosaurus, of course!

From P through to S, each letter of PANTS provides a simple but valuable rule.



Find out more about Talk PANTS school resources

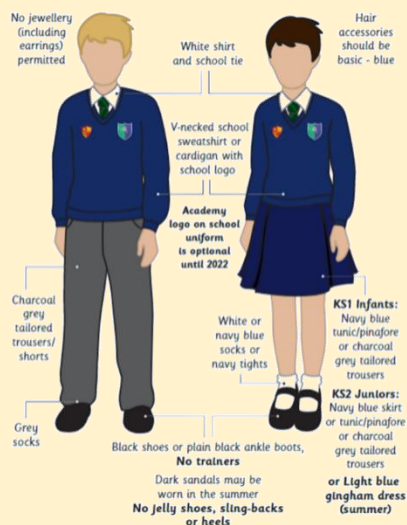
**NSPCC**

EVERY CHILDHOOD IS WORTH FIGHTING FOR

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## 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

If you would like your child to have Toast at breaktime for Autumn 2 (6<sup>th</sup> November – 22<sup>nd</sup> December) please ensure that your Arbor Toast account has a balance of at least £8.75 by 18<sup>th</sup> October. If your account is not in credit by at least this amount by this date we will issue a reminder by In-App message. If payment is still not received by the date stated in the reminder we will be unable to provide your child with toast for the ensuing half term. The current balance on your Toast account can be viewed by accessing your Arbor account.

### 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:

Autumn 2 - £10.50 by 18<sup>th</sup> October 2023  
Spring 1 - £7.20 by 19<sup>th</sup> December 2023  
Spring 2 - £8.70 by 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024  
Summer 1 - £8.40 by 20<sup>th</sup> March 2024  
Summer 2 - £11.10 by 15<sup>th</sup> May 2024

### LOST PROPERTY

Unnamed lost property will be available for inspection and collection outside the School Office every Friday between 2pm and 3.30pm

## PARKING

We have received a number of complaints this week regarding parking. Concern has been expressed by parents that children's safety is being placed at risk by inconsiderate and illegal parking. May we once again ask that consideration is given when parking near to school premises.

### 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

### 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 £10.00**

**Junior Tie £4.00**

**Elasticated Tie £3.50**

**Children's University Passport £5.00**

**Replacement Home School Diary £5.00**

**Courtesy**

**Care**

**Concentration**



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