



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 10

Friday 17 November 2023

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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ANTI-BULLYING DAY

On Friday 17th November, St Ann's are celebrating Anti-Bullying Day. KS2 will take part in a performance from Altru Drama in the morning to support their understanding in this area. Following this, Y6 will then take part in a follow up workshop led by Altru Drama. KS1 children will take part in a PSHE lesson focusing on Anti-Bullying.

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>	96.58%
Whole school attendance week ending 10 th November 2023	96.4%
Class with best weekly attendance	3H – 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.

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

372

Punctuality

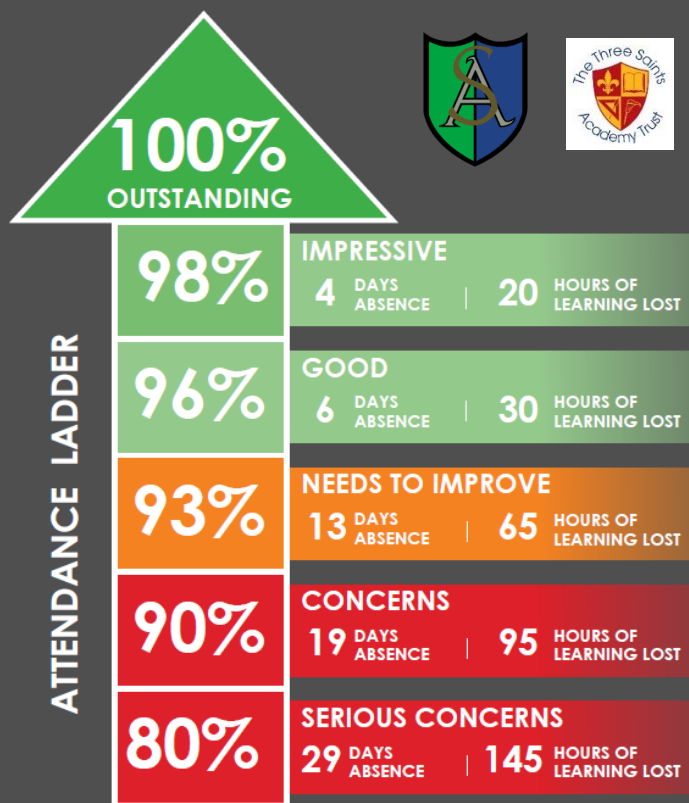
School starts at **8.50am**.
Lessons start at **8.50am**.

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!**

A SPOTLIGHT ON PUPIL LEADERSHIP



At St Ann's Church of England Primary School we develop children's leadership skills and qualities through our initiative called 'Super Leaders.'

What is Super Leaders?

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. During Super Leader sessions children learn to become social activists, making a positive contribution to our school, local or global community.

Here some examples of where our children have made a difference!

- Rights Respecting Parliament developed a child-friendly safeguarding policy and film
- Health and Safety Team promoted Road Safety
- Town Troopers led on charity work to make up food hampers for local families and Food Bank
- Eco Warriors made environmentally friendly reindeer food
- Equality Advocates designed a logo which is displayed in all classrooms and which celebrates equality and inclusion



Super Leader Teams for 2023-24

2H	Arts Council	2O	Wellbeing Warriors
3E	Health & Safety Crew	3H	Town Troopers
4C	Charity Champions	4S	Values Ambassadors
5B	Equality Advocates	5D	Digital Leaders
6A	Global Change Ambassadors	6F	Righteous Readers
Rights Respecting Parliament		Sports Leaders	

We look forward to seeing the impact our Super Leaders will have this year!

CHILDREN IN NEED



Thank you for supporting Children in Need. We are delighted to announce that together we raised £366.72 for this very important charity.

FAMILY WORSHIP

On **Friday 24 November at 9am**, 5D will lead their Family Worship in the hall all about Anti-Bullying Day. Please wait at the back of school by the hall door ready to be let in.



OUTDOOR LEARNING DAY

We have acquired 105 saplings from The Woodland Trust and every child in Year 4 and 5 will have the opportunity to get involved with the planting to create a wonderful outdoor learning space, which the whole school will benefit from as it grows for many years to come.

Children in Years 4 & 5 will need to wear their PE kit on Wednesday 6th December and a warm waterproof coat and hat. Children should bring to school wellies or outdoor boots and a trowel, in a named carrier bag. Gardening gloves are optional.

Many thanks in advance for your support with this exciting initiative.



WOODLAND
TRUST

SCHOOL NURSING FACEBOOK PAGE

Stay up to date with information about the School Nurse Service by liking the dedicated [School Nursing Facebook page](#).

Parents and carers of local young people can find lots of friendly support and advice on the School Nursing Hub page, including videos and resources around:

- *healthy eating*
- *keeping active*
- *emotional wellbeing*
- *anxiety*
- *relationships*
- *vaccinations*
- *local activities to get involved in*
- *and much more.*

Please like the page and stay up to date with all things school nursing in St Helens.

Facebook page link: [@SNHubSH](#)



the national
sleep
helpline

Does your child suffer with sleep issues?

Do you struggle with your child's bedtime?

Will your child not sleep in their own bed?

WE CAN HELP

03303 530 541

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 7pm - 9pm
Wednesday 9am - 11am

Baby Well Clinics...

Free and confidential clinics for parents and carers of little ones.

- Baby weigh in
- Feeding and weaning advice
- Sleep concerns
- Signposting to other local services

Drop-in and appointment only clinics.
To book an appointment please call
01744 411277



0-19+
St Helens

0-19+ SERVICE

The contact telephone number for the 0-19+ Service has changed.

The 0-19+ Service includes:

- [Health Visiting](#)
- [School Nursing](#)
- [Enhancing Families Programme](#)

Parents, carers can contact the service on the **new telephone number - 01744 411277**.

With the click of a button, parents, carers, and young people can also access a range of local and tailored support, information, and advice via the [children and young people's website](#).

The website includes videos and resources - ranging from baby packs to fussy eating, puberty support to vaccination schedules, as well as local online support groups. To search for a particular service, people can either use the A-Z service directory or the search function.

Parents and carers can also find lots of friendly support and advice via the dedicated Health Visiting and School Nursing Facebook pages:

Health Visiting Facebook page @HVHubSH
School Nursing Facebook page @SNHubSH

HEALTHY START, BRIGHT FUTURE

New 8 week course for parents/carers.



Supporting parents and carers to give their child the best start in life.

The free 8 week course covers:

Emotional wellbeing

Healthy weight

Parenting skills

Oral health

Nurturing relationships

Physical activity

Sleep

Activity ideas

Locations: Moss Bank Children's Centre, Thatto Heath Children's Centre, Sutton Family Hub/ Children's Centre and Central Link Children's Centre

Parents and carers can book a free place by calling **01744 411277** or **07721499392**.

PARENT FORUM

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

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

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

UNWANTED SOCKS

At this time of year the children's socks sometimes get wet at breaktime or lunchtime. To avoid us disturbing parents requesting clean socks we would like to maintain a stock of socks we can use when this happens.

We would therefore be grateful if you would pass any unwanted school socks in good condition into the School Office for us to use.

Many thanks for your help.

EARLY YEARS NATIVITY

EYP & EYR will perform their nativity on:

Wednesday 20th December

9.30am for RP parents

10.30am for RR parents

The nativity will take place in the school hall, each child will be issued with 2 tickets.

KS1 NATIVITY (Y1 & Y2)

This year Y1 & Y2 will perform a key stage nativity, with Y1 children being the choir. 4 performances will take place in our school hall.

Monday 18 December @ 9.30am

Monday 18 December @ 2.00pm

Tuesday 19 December @ 9.30am

Tuesday 19 December @ 2.00pm

A total of 4 tickets per family can be purchased at a cost of £2 per ticket. A link will be sent out on 21st November to confirm your ticket preferences. Once the link has been completed please access "Keystage 1 Nativity" on Arbor to make payment for your tickets. The deadline for payments is 7th December.

CHRISTINGLE WORKSHOP & SERVICE

This year the Christingle service is on Sunday 17th December at St Ann's church. This is a family service and during the service the congregation light a Christingle orange to represent the light of the world.

Before the service all children will be able to make their own Christingle Orange in school. Making Christingle Oranges will take place on Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th December. Children in Years 2 to 6 will make their Christingle Oranges in class with their teacher.

We will be holding Christingle Workshops for children in EYFS and Year 1. During the workshop a parent/carer will be able to come along and make a Christingle orange with your child. The timetable for workshops is below. Parents of children in EYFS should indicate their preferred slots via this link:

[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=r9bU2008dU-7UaJ - VobDnku6JMScU9ErH3VEQM3K1VUMTJWSFIMVkrQSk01M0c4OFA5M0w2SDJONy4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=r9bU2008dU-7UaJ-VobDnku6JMScU9ErH3VEQM3K1VUMTJWSFIMVkrQSk01M0c4OFA5M0w2SDJONy4u)

If any slots are oversubscribed names will be selected out of a hat.

YEAR ONE CHRISTINGLE WORKSHOP – WEDNESDAY 13th DECEMBER (workshops to take place in the Studio. Parents to enter school via the Base Door)	
9.15am	1T
2.15pm	1M

EYFS CHRISTINGLE WORKSHOP – THURSDAY 14th DECEMBER (workshops to take place in the Studio. Parents to enter school via the Base Door)	
9am	Up to 12 parents may attend each session
10am	
11am	
1pm	
2pm	

We look forward to seeing you at the workshops and at the service on the 17th December

JOB VACANCIES AT ST ANN'S

**Level 2 Teaching Assistant
Level 3 Teaching Assistant
Attendance Officer & Therapeutic Teaching Assistant
Base Manager**

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 & 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

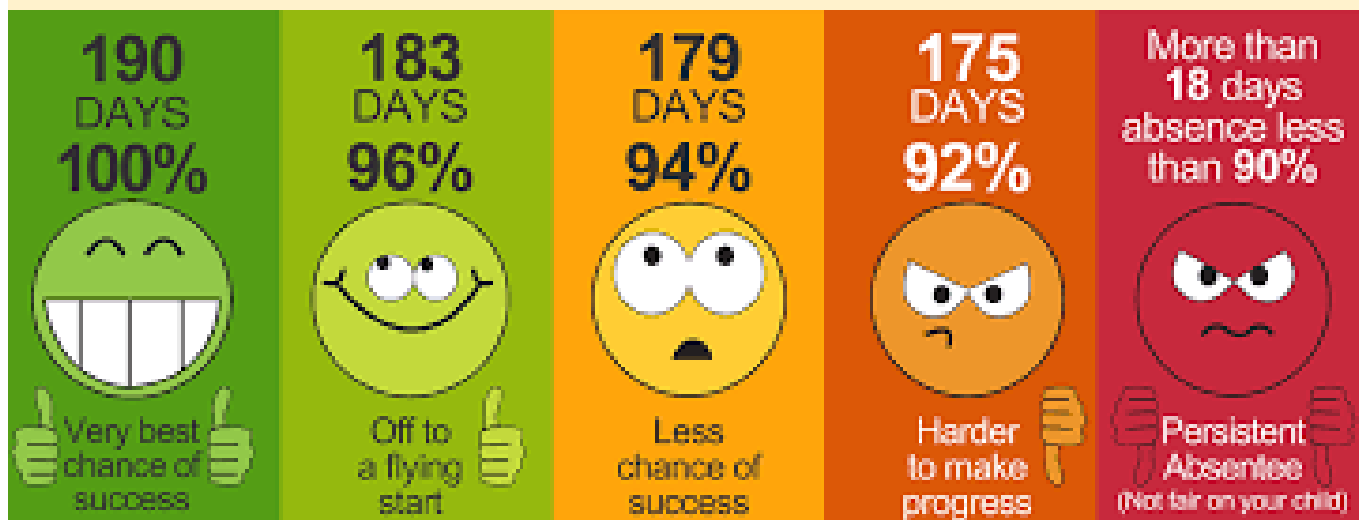


ATTENDANCE REWARD RAFFLE

At St Ann's we are relentless in our focus on attendance because we want the best for our pupils. The research speaks for itself, children with strong levels of attendance, fulfil their full potential and develop the skills and personal qualities required for a happy and fulfilled life.

Prize £50 Amazon Voucher

All children with **96%+ attendance**, and who have not taken a holiday during term time, by Friday 22 December will be entered into our first ever Attendance Raffle. **GOOD LUCK** 😊



SAFEGUARDING TOP TIP #10

Stress

Lots of different things can cause stress and it can feel difficult or like you can't cope.

But you can manage stress, here are some tips that can help you get it under control.

Sometimes stress can be helpful, it can motivate you to get things done. Or help you see that things need to change.

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



5 things that you can try

1. writing or drawing how you feel
2. exercise and sports
3. planning what you do
4. having healthy food and drink
5. take deep breaths.

For more advice visit

<https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/your-feelings/anxiety-stress-panic/coping-with-stress/>

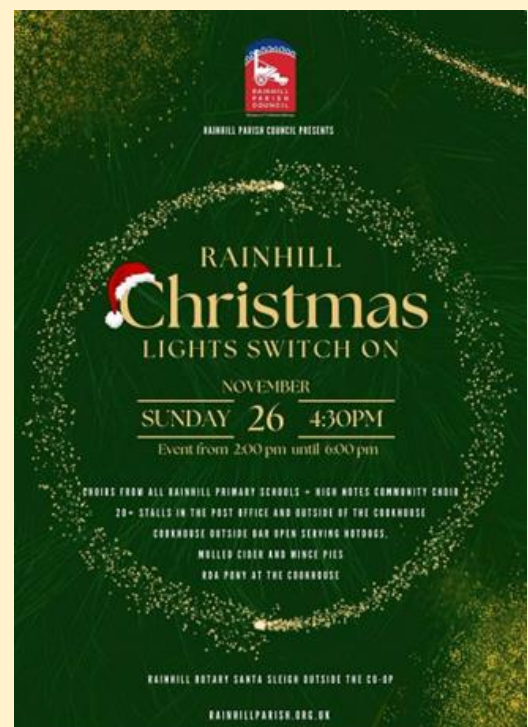
RAINHILL CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH ON

On Sunday 26th November 2023 our talented choir will be performing at the Rainhill Christmas Light Switch On. How exciting! We hope that members of our school community will come along to support our choir as they will be performing at 4:00pm in 'The Side Garden at the Cookhouse'. Straight after the performance, at 4:30pm the countdown will begin and the streets of Rainhill Village will shine brightly.

Why not make a day of it? The event will take place from 2pm until 6pm and there will be an array of Christmas market stalls set up inside the post office and outside of the Cookhouse in the car park. The Cookhouse outside bar will be open serving food and drink. Who knows? You may even bump into Santa with his sleigh outside the Co-op between 3-5pm.

Further details regarding arrangements will be sent out to members of the Choir shortly.

We hope to see lots of you there as this event will definitely get you in the Christmas spirit!



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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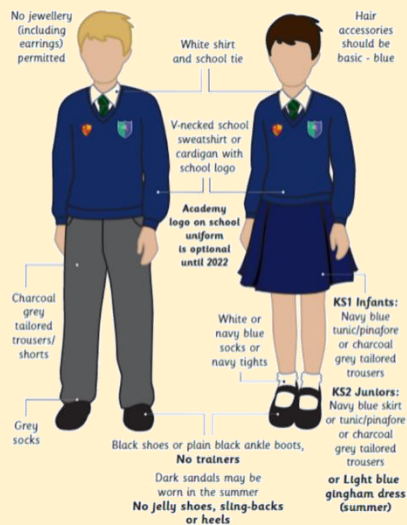
Advice and guidance

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

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GENERAL INFORMATION/REMINDERS

SCHOOL UNIFORM REMINDERS



SCHOOL SHOES REMINDER



**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.

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 as soon as possible if not already done so

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

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 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

LOST PROPERTY

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

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.

Courtesy
Care
Concentration



St. Ann's Church of England Primary School

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Website: <http://www.rainhillstanns.co.uk>

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 AUTUMN 2023

DAY	DATE	EVENT
Friday	24 th November 2023	5D Family Worship 9.00-9.30am
Friday	1 st December 2023	4H Family Worship 9.00-9.30am
Friday	8 th December 2023	Christmas Dinner Day
Thursday	14 th December 2023	Y1 Pantomime @ The Theatre Royal
Monday & Tuesday	18 th /19 th December 2023	KS1 Nativity Performances 9.30am & 2pm (4 performances in total)
Wednesday	20 th December 2023	Y2 Christmas Party EY's Nativity - 9.30am for RP parents 10.30am for RR parents
Thursday	21 st December 2023	EY's & Y1 Christmas Party Y3 & Y4 Christmas Party
Friday	22 nd December 2023	Children's University Passport Bank 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