



St Ann's Church of England Primary School



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

Value of the Half Term

Justice

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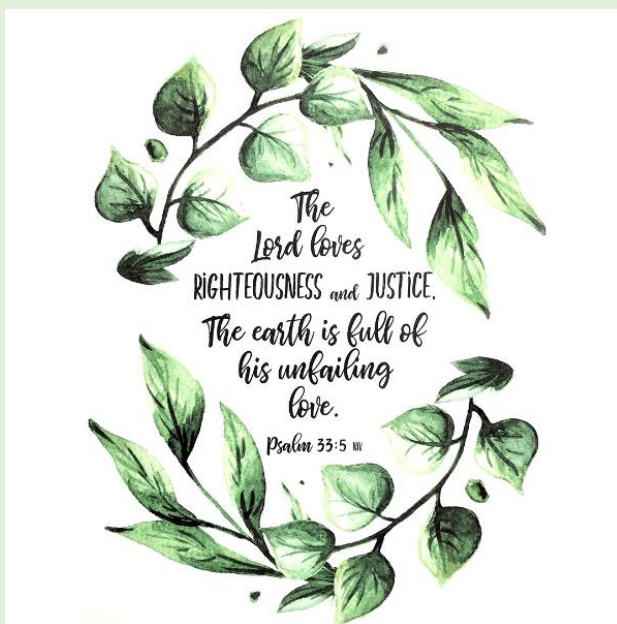
Friday 15 March 2024

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight;
I will put my Spirit on him, and he will bring justice to the nations.

Isaiah 42:1-4

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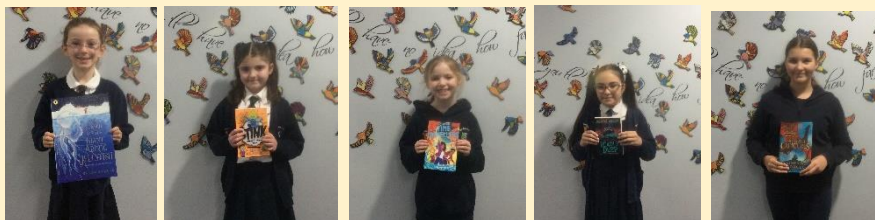
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WORLD BOOK DAY WINNERS

Congratulations to our World Book Day - Secret Story winners. Children across the school worked with their teachers to discover the identity of a brand new text for their class library. The children selected demonstrated some fantastic inference skills and a passion for reading.

Huge, heartfelt thanks goes to Andrew and Gillian Rowley, for donating the Book Voucher Gifts to school, to use as prizes for the children.





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>	96.15%
Whole school attendance week ending 8 th March 2024	97.79%
Class with best weekly attendance	5B – 100%

#EveryMomentMatters



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.

A SPOTLIGHT ON: Base – Wrap Around Care



BREAKFAST & AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Base provides high quality childcare at the beginning and end of the school day from 8.00-8.50am and from 3.15–6.00pm, for children aged 4-11 years. It is a safe and secure environment where children are cared for by qualified staff that have experience in providing play activities for young children. A wide range of activities, which are both physically and mentally stimulating, are available. Activities meet the needs of all our children. Activities are rotated and include; crafts, sports, table top activities, outdoor play, toys and games.

FOOD AND DRINK

Drinks and snacks are provided in line with the school's healthy food and drink policy. Breakfast usually includes cereals, toast, crumpets, water, milk and a selection of fruit. Evening snack might include; yoghurts, cheese and crackers, vegetable dippers and humous, sandwiches, pizza, fruit and much more.

BOOKING A PLACE

If you are interested in a place for your child, please email your requirements to stannsce@three-saints.org.uk in the first instance. One month's paid notice is required to cancel a booking or you will still be charged. All absences must be paid for. The waiting list and fee book are confidential. Please speak to staff regarding queries.

ATTENDING BASE

When children first join Breakfast or After School Club they will be allowed to settle in at their own pace. We encourage parents or carers to visit After School Club with their children shortly before they are due to start. This gives the children the opportunity to look around the club and ask any questions. It also gives parents the opportunity to complete the necessary paperwork for registration with the club if this has not yet been done,

COSTS

Breakfast Club £4.50

After School Club £9.00

PAYMENTS

When registering you will be asked to fill in a fee agreement form. Fees must be paid in advance. Failure to pay these fees will result in your child losing their place. Fees can be paid using Arbor, childcare vouchers or Government choices scheme. If you are having difficulties making payments please speak to staff in confidence for support.

COLLECTION

Children must be collected at or before 6.00pm otherwise you will be subject to further charges. Late collection fees will be charged at £5.00 per 15 minutes.

UNWANTED CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

Now is the time to donate any unwanted Christmas presents to school for our tombola which will take place at our Easter Bingo.

Simply send your NEW unwanted Christmas presents into school with your child or hand in at the school office.

Thank you in advance for all the donations we receive.

FAMILY WORSHIP

Well done to 2O on their wonderful Family Worship celebrating British Science Week.



On **Friday 22 March at 9am, 1M** will lead their Family Worship in the

hall all about Aspirations. Please wait at the back of school by the hall door ready to be let in.

A CELEBRATION OF BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK

This week, we have been celebrating British Science Week across the school. We have investigated the theme of 'time' using our working scientifically skills to make predictions, observe over time and to record and report our findings. From EYFS digging up fossils to Year 3 selecting suitable materials to make a boat float, we have all had great fun!



We have also had some wonderful entries to our Science Week competition - watch this space for the winners next week!

PARENT FORUM

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

5B & 6A.

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

EYS PARENT INSIGHT

Please see below the dates for the re-scheduled EYs Parent Insight sessions. We hope you can make it!

EYR	20 th March @ 1.30pm
EYP	20 th March @ 2.15pm

HOLIDAY ACTIVITY AND FOOD PROGRAMME



The Easter Holiday Activity and Food Programme (HAF) will be running from Tuesday 2nd April to Friday 12th April 2024 for all eligible children, young people, and families.

We will be holding a provider event on Friday 8th March 2024 between 11.00am to 2.00pm at Central Link Family Hub, Peter Street, St Helens, WA10 2EB. We would like to invite parents/carers and children/young people to drop in and meet with HAF providers to have a better idea of what activities are on offer and an opportunity for you to ask any questions that you may have. Refreshments will be available.

Those who wish to attend must be eligible to access the HAF programme. The programme is open to children aged 4-18 years who are eligible for and receiving benefits-related free school meals (FSM), and their families. Children who are in receipt of a support plan via Early Help, Child in Need or Children We Look After, EHCP, or if your child receives additional hours at school.

If you require any further information, please call Central Link Family Hub 01744 673445.

[#HAF2024](#) funded by the Department for Education

ST ANN'S HAS GOT TALENT SHOW

We will be having a rehearsal for St Ann's Has Got Talent in school on 18th March. If your child is taking part in the show please could they wear their PE Kit on this day and bring in any props that are required for their act. Many thanks.



CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY PASSPORT BANK

The next passport bank will be the final one before this year's Children's University Graduation ceremony. The passport bank will take place on **Thursday 21 March**. The hours in passports handed in after this date will unfortunately not count towards this year's awards as they will have missed the cut off date.



EASTER BINGO



On **Thursday 21st March** we are holding our family Easter Bingo sessions to raise money for school fund! This was a hugely successful event last year and we are looking forward to running it again this year. The event is ticketed due to space restrictions in our hall. Tickets can be purchased from Arbor. The 3 sessions will be held at 3.30pm, 4.45pm, 6.00pm. Each session will last no longer than 1 hour. Bring plenty of spare change along as there will be refreshments, a raffle and tombola and you may wish to purchase extra bingo cards. Please refer to separate letter for finer details. Any tickets purchased up to and including 14th March have been sent home with your child. We have a small number of tickets remaining which are available to purchase from the School Office .

COMING UP: ASPIRATIONS DAY FRIDAY 22 MARCH 2024

On Aspirations day, **22nd March**, the whole school will be learning about lots of exciting things such as: what we aspire to be when we are older; studying different careers that we may choose to take; looking at protected characteristics and the Equality Act of 2010.

EY+KS1 are invited to come to dressed up as something that they aspire to be! Police man, fire fighter, teacher, vet, doctor, librarian, author, scientist...! The list is endless. Please talk to your child about what they would like to be when they are older and we look forward to guessing their chosen career path from their outfit.



Y4 COMMUNION



On Thursday 21 March, Year 4 will take part in the community Communion service at St Ann's Church @ 9.30am.

EVERYONE WELCOME!

SHARED COMMUNION

This week some of our 45 Values Ambassadors went across to one of other Trust schools, St Michaels with St Thomas', to join in with their Communion Service.



#BetterTogether

Y3 & Y4 CRICKET SESSION



This week both Year 3 and Year 4 have benefitted from a Cricket session lead by a Lancashire Cricket Coach. In the sessions, the children practised their batting and fielding skills through different competitive games. Look out for more information coming soon from Lancashire Cricket Club about events and clubs that your children can access this Summer.

School closes on
Thursday 28 March.

School re-opens on
Monday 15 April.

Y5 EASTER SERVICE

Y5 will lead their Easter Service in St Ann's Church on Thursday 28 March @ 2.15pm.



Everyone welcome!

MENTORING CONVERSATIONS

Week commencing Monday 25 March, Spring Mentoring Conversations will take place. By now you will have booked your appointment. This is valuable opportunity to discuss your child's progress, attainment and wellbeing.



EASTER JOURNEY DURING HOLY WEEK

Our children in Key Stage Two have the fantastic opportunity to take part in a very special Easter Trail being held in and around St Ann's Church. Organised by Rev'd Alan and members of the Church Community the Easter Trail will allow children to interact with the Easter story in a new and exciting way. Over the course of Holy Week, Key Stage Two children will visit the Church in their classes and be guided through the trail by a member of the Church community. Please see below for the dates each class will visit the Easter Trail.

Monday 25th March - Year 3

Tuesday 26th March - Year 4 and Year 6

Wednesday 27th March - Year 5

At the end of the trail each child will be presented with a small chocolate egg gifted by the Church. The Easter Trail will also be available for our school community to visit outside of school hours. The trail will be open for families to visit from 3.30pm on Tuesday 26th, Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th March 2024.

EASTER
JOURNEY WITH JESUS



SAFEGUARDING TOP TIP #22

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.

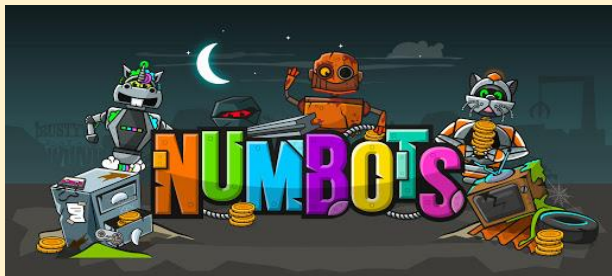

Childline 0800 1111

NUMBOTS & TIMESTABLE ROCKSTARS

Daily use of Numbots and TTRockstars has been proved to boost number and times table recall speed significantly, impacting positively on children's Mathematical Development. Just as the expectation at St Ann's is to read for 5 out of every 7 days each week, the expectation to access either Numbots (EYs-Y2) or TTRockstars (Y2-Y6) is the same

The table below shows the number of children who have accessed the programmes in the last 7 days. You can show that your child has accessed either of the programmes by simply ticking the logo off in their home school diary. Let's do this!

1M	1T	2H	2O	3E	3H	4C	4S	5B	5D	6A	6M
3	2	4	2	4	10	16	12	2	6	3	10

Most Improved	
	
Year 1: Zoe H & Emily R	Year 3: Zac H & Leighton R
Year 2: Adelaide D & Samskrithi S	Year 4: Samuel M & Sophie C
	Year 5: Thomas R & Olivia C
	Year 6: Jonas I & Benjamin M

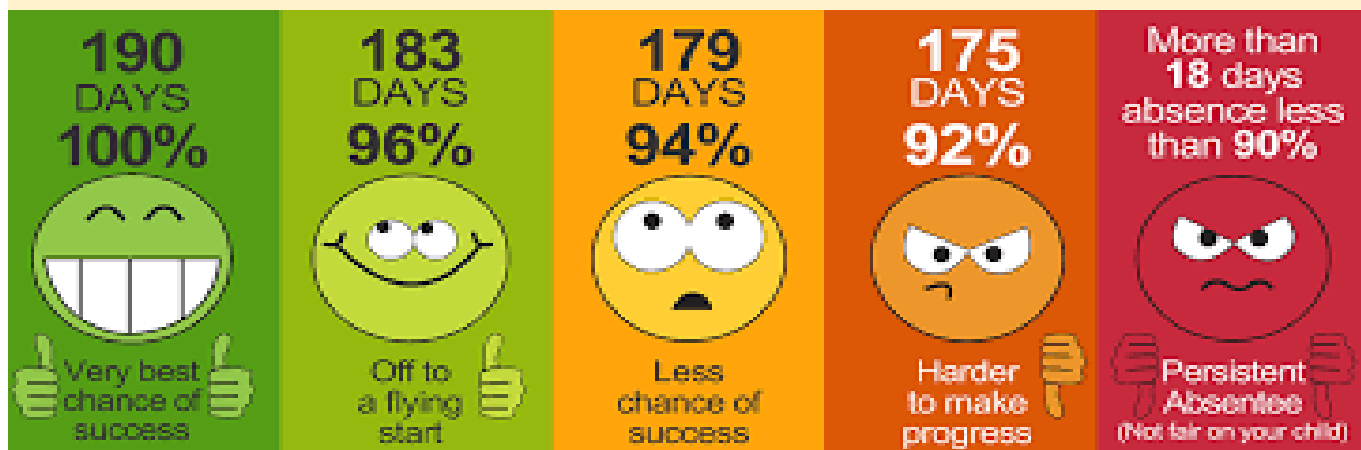


ATTENDANCE REWARD RAFFLE

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.

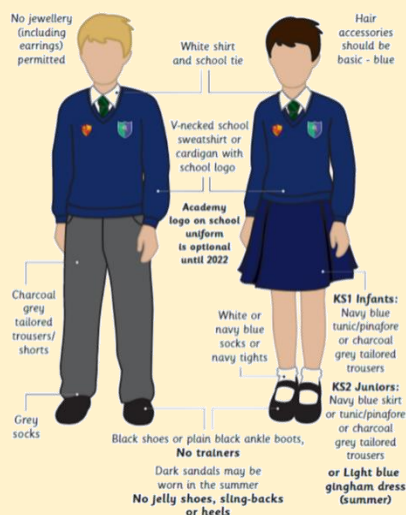
Prize £50 Amazon Voucher

All children with **96%+ attendance**, and who have not taken a holiday during term time, by **Thursday 28 March** will be entered into the next Attendance Raffle. **GOOD LUCK** 😊



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 Summer 1 (15th April – 22nd May) please ensure that your Arbor Toast account has a balance of at least £7.00 by 20th March. 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:

Spring 2 - £8.70 as soon as possible if not already paid
 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 £3.00

Replacement Home School Diary £4.00

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

DATES FOR DIARY SPRING 2024

DAY	DATE	EVENT
Thursday	21 st March 2024	Children's University Passport Bank
Thursday	21 st March 2024	Easter Bingo
Friday	22 nd March 2024	1M Family Worship 9.00am, school hall
Monday-Thursday	25 th –28 th March 2024	Mentoring Conversations, all classes, days TBC
Monday	25 th March 2024	St Ann's Has Got Talent Show @ Rainhill Village Hall, rehearsals and show – 7pm
Thursday	28 th March 2024	Y5 Easter Service @ Church, 2.15pm. Everyone welcome
Thursday	28 th March 2024	School Closes



EASTER RAFFLE



Would you like to be in with a chance of winning one of the lovely raffle prizes above to raise funds for School? If so please enter our raffle. The cost of each entry is £1, tickets can be purchased from the School Office or from the Office helpers who will be visiting classes. The draw will take place on 28th March.
Good luck everyone.

Many thanks to our neighbours "The Wine Club" for their kind donation.



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.

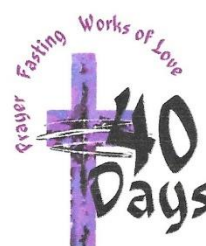
	Amount Due	Date Toast Account to be in credit by
Autumn 1	£9.50	13th July 2023
Autumn 2	£8.75	18th October 2023
Spring 1	£6.00	19th December 2023
Spring 2	£7.25	31st January 2024
Summer 1	£7.00	20th March 2024
Summer 2	£9.25	15th May 2024

Total for year £47.75

Services at St Ann's March 2024

We aim to cater for different styles and ages with a variety of services throughout the month.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME AT ANY OF OUR SERVICES



Sun 3rd March - 3rd Sunday of Lent

10.30am Holy Communion with

Platform 2 contemporary worship in St Ann's Centre



Sun 10th March Mothering Sunday

10.30am Family Worship with Communion



Sunday 17th Fifth Sunday of Lent

10.30am Morning Worship (no Holy Communion)

Platform 2 contemporary worship in St Ann's Centre



Sunday 24th March Palm Sunday

10.30am Holy Communion

with Platform 2 in St Ann's Centre



For services during Holy Week Please see our website

<https://stannsparishchurch.org.uk/>

Sunday 31st March Easter Sunday

10.30am Easter Celebration Worship



EVERY SUNDAY 8.30am BCP Holy Communion

- (a traditional communion service using the Book of Common

Midweek Holy Communion Thursdays 9.30am

Coffee is served in St Anns Millennium Centre following the service.



Stanley Bear Club meets every Monday in term time 9-10:30am for 0-5s but not on bank holidays.

Breakfast and stories, songs and praise.

Craft Time with glue & glitter.

EASTER FAYRE

SATURDAY 23RD MARCH 2024
11AM - 4PM

MELLOR AND BLACK ENCHANTED
TEA GARDENS
22 DUKE STREET, ST.HELENS, WA10 2JP

STALLS
LIVE MUSIC
FOOD AND REFRESHMENTS
EASTER GAMES AND RAFFLE
MEET THE EASTER BUNNY!

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