

St. Anne (Stanley) C of E Primary

School

Newsletter

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WELCOME

It has been a very busy few weeks at St Anne's with lots of exciting opportunities for our children. The children have settled really well into their new classes and are working extremely hard.

A very big welcome to all of our new Nursery children and their families. Our Nursery staff would like to thank the families for allowing them to visit you at home prior to the children starting to enable a smooth transition into Nursery. The children have settled in really well and relationships are already on their way to becoming lovely friendships.

The morning session for Nursery begins at 8.45am and this is a very busy time. If possible, please ask older siblings to wait outside of the nursery to avoid it becoming too crowded. Thank you for your support with this.

There are a small number of Nursery places available for children who will attend Nursery this year but will be going to Reception September 2019. Please call the school office to arrange a visit.

Our Reception children have settled in really well and attended their first Praise Assembly where they sat beautifully with good listening skills.

Reception are enjoying their 'All About Me' topic and sharing their baby photographs with each other.



Our school value for this half term is **Honesty**. **Honesty** is marked as being free from deceit or untruthfulness, being sincere. The Christian life should be one marked with integrity and honesty, yet because we all sin and find it easy to do so, honesty is something we must work hard at. An honest life is important on so many levels from relationships with others. The Bible tells us that we are known by our fruit. Let us be examples of a God of truth and life by living lives of integrity and truthfulness.



Church News

Messy Church will take place on Saturday 20th October at St. Anne's Church 2pm-4pm. Children of all ages welcome to attend with their parents/carers.

On behalf of St. Anne's, Reverend Emma sends her thanks for all donations for the Harvest Festival which will all be sent to the local Foodbank. Your generosity is overwhelming.





Well done to Y4K for their outstanding family assembly with the theme of 'This is me'. They told us how good it was to be us, we are all special and unique and no-one is exactly the same as us anywhere in the world. They shared with us their dreams for the future which included, teachers footballers and Mrs Kenwright dreams of winning the lottery! They sang two songs from 'The Greatest Showman' a fantastic reminder of why it is good to be us.

Harvest Festival

A huge well done to our Year 5 and 6 children for leading the Harvest Festival service in church. The children did themselves proud, speaking confidently and singing beautifully. The children presented the food donated by school families to the high altar and thanked God for all that we have. Thank you to all family members and school governors who came to celebrate with the children and for all donations made by families to support the Foodbank- it is very much appreciated.



We raised an impressive £342.60 for MacMillan during our recent coffee morning. This involved a coffee morning for parents which was led by the PTA, a coffee morning for the staff and also a group of children from Year 5 held their own cake sale for their year group. A big thank you to all that donated cakes or came along to help eat the cakes and for your donations. We are pleased to support this fantastic charity year after year.



On Monday 1st October, seven Year 6 children had the opportunity to join Liverpool School Parliament. They attended a full day visit to the Town Hall to produce a manifesto for the next year. They met representatives from Merseytravel, Whitechapel centre, Crimestoppers and some of the city's councillors. As always our children were excellent representatives of St Anne's. Elsie has been chosen to be our candidate to stand in the election for Junior Lord Mayor on Monday 15th October, where she will deliver a speech. We wish her good luck and are so proud of her for getting this far.



Whilst we understand that it is very hard to guarantee a completely nut free school, we are asking that nut products or products containing nuts are not brought into school. We have a number of children and staff who have nut allergies, some very severe.



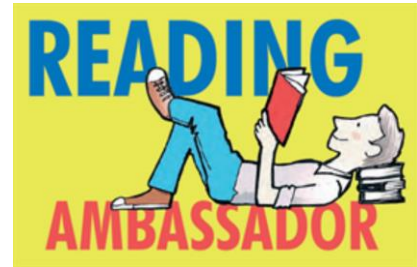
Mrs Griffiths sends her love and thanks to all the families for the beautiful gifts and cards she received for her retirement. She had the most amazing last day- Reception had a surprise party for her where they sang songs and ate lots of cake. Then there was a whole school assembly where the children performed a song they had been secretly learning, 'Delilah' by her hero- Tom Jones. Every class in the school made her a Happy Retirement card sharing their memories of Mrs Griffiths. We wish her a very long, happy and healthy retirement and hope she visits us soon.



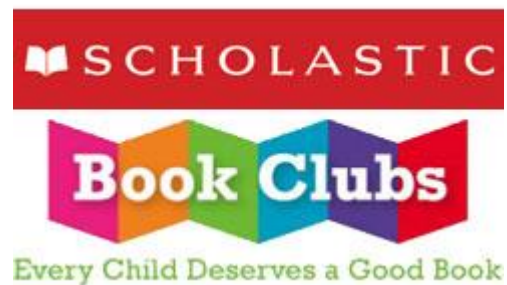
Year 2 took part in Tiny Steps for Peace, a project which through storytelling activities and games enables young children to develop problem solving and conflict resolution skills. The children thoroughly enjoyed the day. They worked together, discussing real life occurrences with a maturity far beyond their years. Well done to Year 2 and many thanks to the staff from The Tim Parry Jonathan Ball Peace Foundation. Our children were filmed throughout the day which will be used to promote the project which is a great advert for our school.



Our new school councillors have been assembled and children from Year 2 to Year 6 will be taking part in a host of new projects throughout the year. We are sure they will represent their classes and their school wonderfully well and look forward to seeing the results of their hard work.



Our Reading Ambassadors have been selected from each class across the school and will be promoting the joys, pleasures and benefits of reading in their classes and the school in general. Their first project is to help Mr Lineton label, catalogue and organise the new books in our school library, as well as the new lending systems we intend to operate. Their enthusiasm for reading and love of books will be infectious we are sure!



Our termly Book Fair was a great success- a big thank you to all families who purchased from the fair. We sold over £500 worth of books, which means we receive a hefty commission to spend on new books for our classrooms. We will run another Book Fair in the summer term, whilst in the spring term we will see the return of the Book Bus, which was a great success last year. Please continue your wonderful work as parents and families encouraging our children to read and love books.



Liverpool Philharmonic Children's Choir and Melody Makers offer an excellent introduction to choral singing for children aged 7-12 from in and around Liverpool. Both choirs rehearse on a Monday evening during term time and as long as your child loves singing and wants to learn with other children in an interactive and inclusive way, they can join! If you would like to find out more about either choir please contact youthensembles@liverpoolphil.com or call 0151 210 2895 and ask for a member of the Learning Team.



Debby Ashby from Real History came into school on the 18 - 19th September. All children from Reception to Year 6 took part in a History Timeline workshop. The response from the children has been amazing. They clearly enjoyed the dressing up and the dancing. Picture above is of two Year 4 children dressed as Stuarts.



Our Young Voices Choir are working hard learning hundreds of songwords and dance moves ready for taking part in the largest school concert in the world in February at Manchester Arena. It is fantastic to see nearly fifty children singing their hearts out- we really do have a talented school choir and their dedication is inspiring.



We currently have an afterschool club run by Liverpool Futsal Club for Year 5 and 6 on a Friday afterschool. The children are enjoying every minute of it. There are still spaces available. Please contact Miss Quinn for more information. There is a charge for this club of £30 for the full term.



St. Anne's football academy is up and running and we have 50 children who make the journey to Peter Lloyd's Sports Centre every Wednesday after school to develop and show off their football skills. This club is available for children from Year 3-6. There is a cost of £1 per session for this club. If you would like any more information, please contact Miss Quinn.

School Dinners

Can we please remind you that school dinner money for junior children is to be paid for weekly **in advance**. The cost of a school dinner is £1.80 per day, £9.00 per full school week. All children in Reception, Year 1 and 2 are entitled to a Universal Free School Meal. Any arrears of dinner money will be pursued by the school. If you think you may be entitled to an income related free school meal, please visit <https://liverpool.gov.uk/free-school-meals> or visit your Local Authority website if outside of Liverpool.



For the last academic year, our whole school attendance was 95.9% which is below our target of 97%. Let's see if we can reach our target this year!

This year will see the continuation of the St. Anne's awards for attendance. If children receive a full term in the academic year at 100% attendance they will receive the bronze award, a bronze medal that they can wear with pride. Two full terms in the academic year will see the silver medal and the full academic year at 100% will see the gold medal awarded. We also have a termly £50 prize draw where all children with 100% attendance are entered. We thank you for supporting the aim of full attendance for all and not booking holidays during term time.

We also have ongoing awards in school on a weekly and daily basis- a £5.00 prize is awarded to the class with the highest attendance each week. Classes also gain an extra 50p for each day they have 100% attendance and punctuality. At the end of each term, the children add up the money in their class piggy bank and spend it on a treat of their choice. Children who are in school and on time every day are entered into a weekly raffle and the winner can choose a prize from the class prize box.

Keep up the good work and see how many bronze attendance awards we can give out at the end of term to children with 100%.

Class attendance for the week beginning **24th September 2018**

RM	RJ	1B	1S	2N	2F	3B	3L	4K	4P	5MH	5AH	6C	6P
97.6	97.8	94.2	88.0	97.3	95.3	98.6	100	88.5	100	99.3	97.9	94.6	96.8

This week our whole school attendance was **96.3%**.

Class attendance for the week beginning **1st October 2018**

RM	RJ	1B	1S	2N	2F	3B	3L	4K	4P	5MH	5AH	6C	6P
94.8	99.3	95.0	82.6	97.3	96.0	99.3	96.7	95.0	99.2	97.2	98.6	94.5	96.8

This week our whole school attendance was **96.0%**.



We are delighted to announce that we have achieved the School Games SILVER Mark Award for the 2017/18 academic year. The School Games Mark is a Government led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

The award shows the involvement and commitment of our children engaging in PE and sports in school and competing in a huge variety of events across the city. Our ethos of competition is about more than just winning, but about children getting involved in physical activity and challenging themselves to achieve their personal best, supporting team mates and building the resilience to get back up after a defeat. As a school we believe that school plays a crucial part in the contribution to the health and well-being of our children and that the lessons learnt 'on the field' translate to wider life, providing extensive skills and strengths. We look forward to another successful year of sporting competitions for our children to develop their skills further.



Every class in the school are enjoying doing their daily sessions of Super Movers. This is an exciting partnership between the Premier League and BBC which aims to inspire primary school children to get active.

Stars from across the worlds of football and television are brought together in fun curriculum-linked brain booster song and movement routines focused on Literacy and Mathematics and range from fractions to punctuation to times tables. Active children do better and get more from their school day.

Why not give it a go at home?



For the safety of everyone, please do not bring dogs onto the school playground. Thank you for your cooperation with this.



Congratulations to our Year 5 and 6 football team who won their first match against Gladys Street Primary School 4-3. Keep up the good work!



We have recently selected our House Captains for KS1 and KS2. All children in Year 6 wishing to be considered had to deliver speeches to the children about why they should be a captain and what qualities they would bring to the role. All children are then able to vote a boy and a girl to be captain of each of the four houses- Dragon, Griffin, Unicorn and Phoenix.



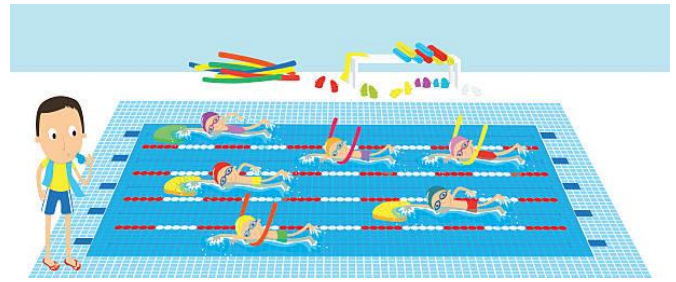
Our Year 6 House Captains had the amazing opportunity to go to St. George's Hall to see the opening of the Giants Visit to Liverpool. They watched the Little boy and dog waking up. The children were delighted- what an experience for them!



It is with great sadness that we find ourselves once again asking parents to park considerately and legally around our school. Please respect the laws of the road, our neighbours and your children's right to be safe as they arrive and leave school. We understand that many of you are keen to park close to the school, especially when it is raining or you are late. Please report any vehicle registrations to the school office or the police.



The Old Library (Lister Drive) along with North End writers provided a poetry workshop for Year 4 and 5 to celebrate National Poetry Day. The children really enjoyed the sessions and are hopefully inspired to read and write poetry!



Year 6 are really enjoying taking part in their swimming lessons this term. We have seen great improvement in both their swimming ability and water confidence. Learning to swim is so important to give children the skills they need to keep safe in and around water.

After half term Year 4 will begin their swimming sessions. Swimming is now on a Tuesday and the children are to come to school in their PE kits on swimming day as well as PE day.



Some of our Year 4 children had the fantastic opportunity to go to Princes Park to take part in a training session run by Everton in the Community. They then had the opportunity to play penalty shootout at the Giant sandal. The children had a great time and behaved beautifully, being great ambassadors for our school.

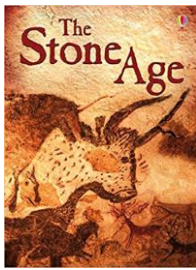


Year 5 had a visit from Professor Fluffy from the University of Liverpool, who aims to raise aspirations by discussing their educational journey, future educational choices and introducing them to the concept of University. It was lovely to see what our children aspire to be and as a school we aim to support and guide all of our children through their Primary years to give them the best start in life and to reach their full potential and beyond so that their dreams can one day become a reality.

Please can you ensure that your child wears the correct uniform on a daily basis. This includes black shoes and school coloured hair accessories of a reasonable size. Any children (boys included) with hair below shoulder length will be asked to tie their hair up.

We are sure you will agree that the school PE tracksuits look really smart- so please keep to the rules by sending your child in a plain white t-shirt or a white t-shirt with the school logo on.

Also, please ensure your child's name is in all items of school clothing to avoid any items getting lost or mixed up.



Year 3 were lucky enough to have Professor John Hill from Liverpool University come and support with the teaching of The Stone Age. He worked with the staff to share his expertise and then delivered a workshop to the children. The children are really enjoying their History topic and will be experts by the end of the term!



Our breakfast club is available from 7.45am Monday to Friday. There is a small cost of £2 per day. Breakfast is provided as well as lots of fun and interesting activities, including Wake Up and Shake Up led by Miss Quinn. If you would like your child to attend please see Miss Garner in the school hall any time from 7.45am.



Well done to Year 4P for their fantastic family assembly with the theme of 'Honesty is the best policy', reinforcing our school value for the half term. They explored the importance of telling the truth through drama. They recognised that it can be very difficult to tell the truth but we should all strive to tell the truth every day. A very important message for us all to consider. Well done to all of the children who spoke with great confidence and sang beautifully.



Thank you to the cook and her team for the fantastic Disney themed lunch. The children and staff really enjoyed it! The hall looked fantastic and the Disney music really set the scene. We are all looking forward to the next themed lunch!

Children in Years 5 and 6 have made an excellent start with our new online reading programme- Reading Plus. The aim of the programme is to develop skills of independent reading including fluency, increasing vocabulary and developing confidence and motivation. All children have an individual login which can also be used at home so please encourage your child to use it as much as possible at home. Years 3 and 4 are in the process of starting the programme and we are sure they will love it just as much as Years 5 and 6.



Healthy Schools

We are proud to be a Healthy School and therefore ask for your support when deciding what you include in your child's packed lunch- no fizzy drinks or sweets please.

Children in Years 3-6 have the option of bringing a healthy snack to eat during their morning break- either fresh or dried fruit. Thank you for your cooperation with this.



On World Mental Health Day, the children took part in a discussion about how they feel on a scale of 1-10 (10 being the greatest) and discussed their reasons why. We talked about what makes us happy and sad and the importance of talking to someone when we are feeling down. It is important that children are able to consider their own mental health and know what to do if they are not feeling their best.

WORKING TOGETHER

Mr Jago our family support officer continues to be available for support with attendance, learning and family issues. He can be contacted through the school office: 0151 228 1506.



The school's safeguarding team are Mrs Simons, Mrs Lovell, Mrs Riley, Mrs Stokes, Miss Nurse, Mrs Kenwright and Mr Lineton.

If you have any concerns about the safety or welfare of a child, please contact a member of the school safeguarding team without delay on 0151 228 1506. Alternatively, please call Careline (Children's Services) on 0151 233 3700. Thank you.



If you have any concerns about your child's progress, please make an appointment to see your child's teacher or the school SEND lead, Mrs Stokes. Please contact her through the school office or by emailing her directly at e.stokes@st-annesstanley.liverpool.sch.uk



Diary Dates

Although we aim to give as much notice about upcoming events as possible, there may be times when dates are added or changed at short notice which are out of our control.

Any new dates added will have *new* to make them easily identifiable, we hope this helps. Also see the school website for upcoming events.

15 th and 16 th October	Parents Evening (by appointment only) *new*
17 th October	Dentist visits Year 4 classes *new*
19 th October	Year 3B Family Assembly CANCELLED (will be rearranged at a later date) *new*
19 th October	Wear red to support 'Show Racism the Red Card' (no football kits). *new*
19 th October	Year 6 visit to Western Approaches *new*
19 th October	Finish for half term (Normal time) *new*
28 th October	British summer time ends-Clocks go back *new*
29 th October	Back to school *new*
1 st November	Pizza making in the School Hall- Food for Thought *new*
1 st November	ASD Training Team Coffee Afternoon- 1.45pm *new*
5 th November	Bully Busters *new*
7 th November	Years 5 and 6 Eucharist- St. Anne's Church 10am. *new*
7 th November	Year 4 Roman visit to Chester *new*
8 th November	Pizza making in the School Hall- Food for Thought *new*
9 th November	Year 3L Family Assembly *new*
12 th November	Anti-Bullying Week *new*
16 th November	Children in Need Day *new*
20 th November	Time to be different-anti bullying assembly *new*
20 th November	School Parliament-Hope University *new*
28 th November	Flu Vaccinations for Reception- Year 5 *new*
3 rd -7 th December	Family Event Week *new*
7 th December	Reception Nativity *new*
8 th December	School Choir performing at St. Georges Hall *new*
11 th December	Nursery Nativity 1.30pm *new*
12 th December	Nursery Nativity 9.30am *new*
12 th December	Year 3 and 4 Christmas Nativity- St. Anne's Church 2pm *new*
14 th December	Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch *new*
14 th December	Year 1 and 2 Christmas Cracker Concert- School Hall 9.45am and 2pm *new*
17 th December	Year 3,4,5 and 6 Selection Box Concert- St. Anne's Church 2pm *new*
20 th December	Finish for Christmas Break *new*
7 th January	Back to school for Spring Term *new*