

St. Anne (Stanley) C of E Primary

School

Newsletter

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WELCOME

We have reached the end of another very busy term. The children have worked extremely hard and experienced many new and exciting activities and opportunities over the past few months. Thank you to all parents and carers for your continued support in ensuring that your children receive the best education they deserve. We hope you enjoy reading the newsletter and sharing many of the activities that have taken place this term. Wishing you all a restful break and looking forward to beginning the summer term refreshed.



We hope that all family members who attended the family events enjoyed spending time in school with their children- it was lovely to see so many of you taking part. The children really do look forward to these events and enjoy spending time with you in their learning environment. We look forward to welcoming you again in the summer term.

HAPPY
Mother's
Day

A big thank you to the members of the PTA for organising and running the Mother's Day Sale. They spend many hours preparing the gifts which is really appreciated by all.



Well done to all of the children who took part in the Easter bonnet and Easter garden parade- they were all fantastic! Congratulations to all of the winners and another thank you to the PTA for hosting the parade.



Our school value this half term is 'Hope'. We have explored the value through our daily collective worships as well as through our day to day living.

How is your hope? Does it bounce back after being hit? Does it cause you to doubt when you lose hope in a situation? God knows that we all struggle with finding and holding onto hope. When you are facing tests of faith, even the strongest Christians can find it a challenge to find hope.

'...those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.'

Isaiah 40:31



Reverend Emma would like to wish you all many Easter Blessings and warmly welcomes you to attend the services that take place during Holy Week.

Sunday 14th April (10am) - Palm Sunday Service
Sunday 14th April (7pm)- Olivet to Calvary Concert
Monday 15th April (7.30pm)- Compline
Tuesday 16th April (7.30pm)- Healing Eucharist
Wednesday 17th April (7.30pm)-Compline
Thursday 18th April (7.30pm)- Maundy Thursday
Friday 19th April (2pm)- Good Friday
Saturday 20th April (7.30pm)- Easter Vigil
Sunday 21st April (10am)- Easter Morning Celebration



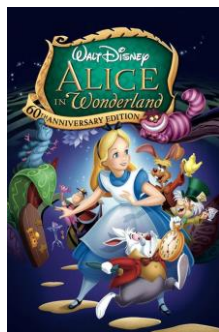
The Easter Service celebrated in St. Anne's (Stanley) Church was led beautifully by our Year 1 and 2 children. The children's confidence never fails to impress and all children sang and spoke clearly. I am sure all who attended are very proud!



Instead of writing Christmas cards to one another last year, staff chose to donate money to charity. The staff raised £123.01 which has been donated to Queens Court Hospice in Southport. This hospice was chosen by a member of staff because of the amazing care they recently gave to one of their close relatives.



As part of our Christmas celebrations, the children enjoyed visiting the new Cineworld cinema in Speke to watch the film 'Small Foot'. They all enjoyed relaxing watching the film and eating their 'munchboxes' with their friends after a busy term.



The staff and children enjoyed a special treat on the first day back of the New Year with a visit from Altru Drama who performed Alice in Wonderland for the whole school.

School Matters!



Congratulations to all children who received their bronze medal for 100% attendance in the autumn term! All children with 100% attendance were entered into the termly draw giving them a chance to win £50 in vouchers. Well done to the lucky five children and their families who won the draw! All children with 97% or higher attendance received a postcard celebrating their good attendance.



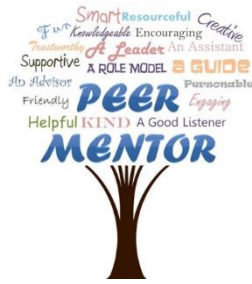
At the end of last term our St. Anne's Stars were invited to a cream tea with Mrs Simons & Mrs Lovell. This event is now an established part of our school calendar – teachers reward children who have been extra special, kind or worked consistently hard throughout the term. It is a lovely way to say thank you to these children and reward them for their wonderful attitude towards all aspects of school life. We look forward to inviting our new stars at the beginning of next term.



Each class has enjoyed taking part in cookery lessons with James making many tasty foods. We hope you have heard- and hopefully tasted some of the exciting foods the children have made. Here is a review from a child in Year 6 about their first session when they made fish cakes.

'On Wednesday 9th January 2019, Year 6 had a cooking lesson. A man called James taught us all how to make fish cakes. Before we began, James taught us all about nutrition and hygiene. We all washed our hands before we started.

We used tuna, potatoes, parsley, spring onion and bread crumbs. We peeled the potatoes, sliced the spring onions and snipped the parsley. The whole experience was great.'



Bullybusters trained a group of children from Year 5 and 6 to become 'Peer Mentors'. Their role is to help and support children during break times. They all have a special badge so that they are easily identified by the whole school. They have an important role to play in supporting children to resolve conflicts. We know the team will do an amazing job!



Elsie in Year 6 really enjoyed her month in duty as Junior Lord Mayor which was in December. We are extremely proud of her achievements. She is a credit to her family and to our school. Here is a report from Elsie about her experience:

'I was the Junior Lord Mayor for the month of December. When I first started being Junior Lord Mayor, I knew it would be a privilege but I didn't know it would be so much hard work. I went with the Lord Mayor of Liverpool to many different events. Some events meant I missed school which I was not happy about! I had to speak to people about the privilege and roll of being the Junior Lord Mayor. I had to do some unplanned speeches, which is always a challenge, and I had many photographs taken at the events. So many children have told me that they want to be like me when they grow up which makes me feel very proud! This is just a snippet of what I have done and I am really enjoying it. So for any children who want to be a member of parliament or the prime minister- start as a child. Start small!'



In January, members of our School Parliament attended the Holocaust Memorial Day at Liverpool Town Hall. There were four speakers- a young lady Megan, whose grandfather was able to escape Nazi Germany. Also, John, Fay and Sonia, who were all 90 years+, told their remarkable stories on how they escaped from the Nazi regime. This was a very moving afternoon and it brings home how lucky we are to live in a free society.

In March, our School Parliament attended a meeting at the Town Hall. They were given a very interesting opportunity to learn about different types of voting in elections. The guest speaker was Rida Laraki from Liverpool University. They also had the opportunity to try out the different voting options which gave some very interesting and unexpected results. As always our children were a credit to St Anne's.



Our Young Voices Choir attended Manchester Arena to perform in a choir of thousands of children. The 44 members of the choir, which is made up of children from Year 4, 5 and 6, spent many months rehearsing to perfect the many songs and dance moves. We stopped off at McDonalds on the way for lunch to make sure we had a hot meal for the day. It was a fantastic experience for all involved and the children were impeccably behaved throughout the very long day- we did not return to school until 10.30pm! The children are looking forward to attending again next year!



The children enjoyed supporting the NSPCC Number Day by dressing up in their own clothes with numbers and patterns on. Lots of extra maths activities were completed during the day across the school. Thank you to all families that donated towards this very worthy cause.



Reception children have been working with Callum from 'Bikeability'. Callum brought ten balance bikes and Reception children practised controlling and mastering the basic bike skills in the safety of our school playground. Over the six sessions it was lovely to watch the children's confidence grow in learning how to prepare themselves and the bikes for cycling. They practised getting on and off without any help and moving around in different directions and stopping on command. Children became more aware of how to hold themselves and balance when gliding and how to apply the breaks for shorter and longer stopping distances. The children really enjoyed their weekly sessions and have had lots of fun with Callum.



To celebrate National Science week, we invited rangers from Chester Zoo into school to discuss their involvement in Science. The junior departments enjoyed finding out about the effects of rubbish, left in the environments, on our animals. Plastic materials have become a huge threat to both sea and land life with some animals becoming extinct as a result. The infants enjoyed taking part in a mini-beast hunt and identifying Science of spring. A range of mini-beasts were carefully examined! We look forward to more Science workshops in the terms ahead.



Every class in the school have been lucky enough to take part in a workshop with RSPB. Nursery were that inspired that they bought some 'fat balls' and a bird feeder to hang up in their outside area. They are looking forward to looking at what birds visit our school grounds.



Year Six took part in a 'Crucial Crew' multi-agency safety event in Childwall Academy. 'Crucial Crew' teaches children about important issues such as hate crime, anti-social behaviour, travel safety, fire safety and on-line safety. The interactive safety workshops were delivered by the emergency services and local safety agencies. They gave the children the unique opportunity to learn valuable skills, through practical demonstrations, hands-on activities and real life situations. The children really enjoyed the event and learnt so much about keeping safe!



Year two children have been taking part in the 'Hands' sign language programme. The children have learnt to sign along to songs and how to sign names of animals amongst many other things. The children enjoyed demonstrating their new signing skills to their parents and carers in a special assembly during family event week. A big thank you to the staff from Deaf Active for delivering these sessions.



Easy Peasy home learning programme has been introduced in the Nursery and Reception classes. An introductory workshop was very well attended and the majority of parents are accessing it on a weekly basis. Feedback from parents has been really positive and is encouraging parents to engage in a wide range of activities at home.



Our group of Year 5 and 6 children returned to the Dutch Farm this month now that spring is well and truly here. Down on the farm the daffodils, which they planted in late autumn, are now in full bloom. The trees have blossom and some have new buds beginning to appear. The raised beds had some weeds growing once again, so their first task was to clear the area ready to plant some potatoes. They had to mix in some compost and dig a trench before planting the potatoes which will hopefully be ready in the summer. The chickens had laid seventeen eggs and they were allowed to bring these back to school. The children and staff are really enjoying their time at the farm and they are learning so much about planning and caring for the environment.



The new EYFS outdoor shelter is nearly finished, we are just waiting for the shutters to be fitted. Many thanks for your support and patience during the building work and a big well done to the children for 'getting on with things' and becoming even more independent than they already were.



EYFS took part in workshops about looking after their teeth. This was delivered by a member of staff from the local Sure Start centre. Children had the opportunity to dress up as dentists and brush a crocodile's teeth!!



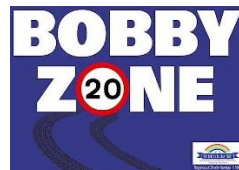
If you have a child who is turning three before the end of August or have friends who do, we have limited places in Nursery beginning September 2019. If you have not already applied for a place call in to school and ask can you complete a 'purple form', - please bring your child's birth certificate with you.



In a recent 'pupil voice' children voiced that they would like magazine and comics added to their reading areas. If you have any that your child has finished with, please could you consider donating them to school.



This term we have completed a lock down and a fire drill which was inspected by our health and safety advisor who reported how well the children completed both test runs. This was the first fire drill using our new fire alarm system. We complete both 'test runs' a number of times a year to make them as stress free for the children and as always the children responded calmly and followed instructions given by their teachers.



The children looked fantastic dressed in blue and red raising money towards the Wear Blue for Bobby campaign and Red Nose Day. Thank you to all families that donated- all funds raised have been split between both very worthwhile charities.



Key Stage One children visited 'Imagine That!' in Wavertree. They had a wonderful time taking part in all the fabulous Art, Construction and Science activities and exploring all the different role play areas. They particularly enjoyed learning to cross the road safely and dressing up! The children's behaviour on the visit was outstanding!! Nursery and Reception are looking forward to their visit in the summer term.



We are pleased to announce that Year Four and Five are participating in the Barnardo's LifeSkills programme. LifeSkills is an evidence based programme that provides children and young people with the skills to make positive healthy choices. As well as preventing substance misuse, it also leads to important improvements in other core skills which are key for healthy development amongst young people. These include self-esteem, communication, social skills and ability to cope with stress. Recent research by Barnardo's has proven LifeSkills to be successful in helping young people communicate clearly, develop healthy relationships, build resilience and deal with pressure, skills that will help children and young people have healthier and more enjoyable lives!



Year Four pupils visited The Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Hall on Monday 4th March. During the visit the children watched the musical concert 'Sound Values' which explored music and society and how British Values links with some of our favourite pieces of classical music. The children really enjoyed this wonderful experience!



The Many Talents of Y2N!

Y2N performed amazingly at their family assembly. The children confidently, through music and dance, shared their talents with their audience. Children talked about how they currently use their talents and shared their plans for the future. From scientists to ballerinas, each child in Y2N believes they have what it takes to fulfil their dreams for the future. The underlying theme – 'It's never too late to discover a talent' was evident with a surprise 'videoed' routine from Miss Nurse!

Well done you talented lot!



We are very proud to announce that we have received the Gold Award from the Arts Council. This award recognises the quality of music, drama, dance and artwork embedded in our school curriculum across all subjects. A huge thank you to Mr Lucas and all the teaching staff in the school.



Thank you to all of the children who performed at the Spring Concert. The concert involved Year 4 children and children from samba, trumpet club and both school choirs. They were accompanied by soloists ranging from Year 2-6 on violin, piano, flute and even a bag-pipe chanter! The parents from Year 4 attended and were wowed by the fantastic performances from all involved. Thank you to Mr Lucas, Mrs Carlsen and Mr Story who work tirelessly with our instrumentalists and choirs. Music continues to go from strength to strength in our school, we are blessed with many talented children.



A big thank you to the catering staff who work hard every day to cook and serve the staff and children tasty school dinners. The children enjoyed their Easter themed 'Hoppy Meals' for lunch today. A lovely end to a very busy term.



As always, we are so proud of all children who take part in competitive sports in school. We are very lucky to have so many amazing opportunities to take part in these competitions and tournaments.

Liverpool FC tournament / Regional Finals

The Year 5 and 6 boy's football team won the local tournament and went on to play at the regional finals at Liverpool Academy. They played really well and only missed the next stage by one point- a new record for the school. A fantastic achievement for all involved- congratulations!

Swimming Gala Key Stage 1

A group of fourteen children from Year 2 represented the school at the local swimming gala. The children took part in various races- including swimming and water confidence races. Each child did really well and had lots of fun! We are really proud of how confident they all were.

Swimming Gala Key Stage 2

The children had a fantastic time at the gala with the girls finishing the highest we have ever have in the competition- a fantastic 3rd. The boys also achieved a new school record finishing in 4th place. Well done children- you are were a credit to the school.

Liverpool Foundation Tournaments

This term, the children have competed in lots of tournaments with the Liverpool Foundation who have produced some fantastic events. We have had Bobble ball for groups of children in Year 3/4 who came runners up and 5/6 who won their tournament! Such an amazing achievements for a new sport. Years 3/4 5/6 played in a Dodgeball competition. Year 3/4 won their competition and Year 5 whet on to beat Year 6 to be crowned the winners of that age group.

Liverpool Foundation Football Competitions

The children have had a fantastic time attending these competitions this term. Groups of children from Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 have taken part and competed really well.

Girl's Football

There has been an increasing interest from girls in our school wanting to compete at Football-this half term and they have competed in two tournaments- one with Liverpool Foundation and another with Everton to celebrate International Women's Day. They enjoyed a fantastic tournament at Everton FC as well as listening to guest talks from some of Everton FC's inspirational women staff. Thank you to Everton FC for providing the children with such a fantastic opportunity.

Wavertree Football League

This league has continued this term and the team have had two wins with clean sheets- 2-0 and 3-0. The team is growing from strength to strength.

Broadgreen Football League

This league has also continued and we have had some mixed results- a win , draw and a loss. We always say that winning is a bonus and it is the taking part and team work that counts. Every player gave 100% and improve week by week.

Great Britain Gymnastics Competition

A group of children from Year 2 took part in the school's first ever Gymnastics competition and came a fantastic 2nd place! As a reward, the children were lucky enough to go to the M & S arena to watch the team GB Gymnastics. The children had a fantastic afternoon watching the team who many of the children aspire to be.

Everton FC Tournament

A group of children from Year 2 took part in a friendly tournament held at Broadgreen Primary school to take part in a friendly tournament led by Everton. They had a fantastic time and took part in dodge ball and bench ball. A big thank you to Broadgreen for hosting a fantastic event. We look forward to them visiting us after the Easter holidays to compete in our new Year 2 competition club.

Judo

Year 3 have been taking part in weekly judo sessions led by a judo specialist. They have had a fantastic time and have really enjoyed learning the skills and disciplines of the sport.

Football Academy

The Football Academy has again been a huge success- over 55 children attend week after week, including 18 girls which is the highest amount of girls ever attending. Keep a look out after the Easter break for when the club is starting up again.

Miss Quinn and all members of staff who support these sporting events always commend our children on their behaviour and sportsmanship during the competitions. The children know that taking part and giving 100% is the greatest achievement- winning is a bonus. Please remember to keep up to date with all the sports success via the schools twitter account. We have some fantastic events coming up in the summer term- including Sports Day.



Lister Steps is a community based charity caring for children from 6 weeks to 14 years of age through nursery, playgroup, breakfast and after school clubs and school holiday schemes.

In November 2016 Lister Steps were awarded £3.95 million from Heritage Lottery Fund towards the full refurbishment and adaptation of the former Grade 11 listed West Derby Carnegie Library, aka Lister Drive Library. The regenerated building will enable Lister Steps to relocate from their existing childcare and family support services and expand the range of opportunities they are able to provide to include educational and fun activities, opportunities to learn new skills, volunteer, socialise and make new friends, quiet space to study or develop an enterprise and event space to celebrate and party (more information can be found on www.listerstepshub.co.uk). In the meantime, they have a range of events and activities for you to get involved in:

Community Memory Project

Join us at West Derby Library from 10am-12pm on the last Tuesday of each month for free tea, biscuits and a friendly chat about life in our area. Everyone is welcome and your memories and stories will help us create heritage displays inside The Old Library. Join our Facebook group: 'Community memories-Lister Drive and Beyond' to get involved.

Photography Competition

One of the main aims of The Old Library project is to celebrate what's good in our community so what better way to show this off than through photography! We would love you to get out & about in our local area to capture the unusual, the beautiful and the unique that you come across in our neighbourhood. Anyone can take part and you don't need any special equipment to join in, just get snapping on your phone!

To get started, all you need to do is check our social media (@ListerStepsHub on Twitter, Facebook & Instagram) for each month's theme. Then go out, get creative with the theme and **send your photos to info@old-library.co.uk by 25th of each month**. You can send in as many photos as you like and don't forget to add a caption.

The winning photographs will be announced & shared on social media at the end of each month and will feature in our 2020 calendar. At the end of the year, an overall winner will be chosen to receive the grand prize of a camera and their image on display in The Old Library when it re-opens.

Shared Reading

Shared reading is a simple idea with powerful impact. By bringing people together in small groups to read aloud a book, short story or poem, our Shared Reading groups create a safe, welcoming space where individual thought and feeling is recognised and valued. We're planning to set up a shared reading group to help improve wellbeing in our community so if this sounds like something you'd be interested in, please email

Olivia.johnson@listersteps.co.uk.



Congratulations to all classes with green attendance (97% or higher)! Let's see if we can meet our whole school target of 97% by the end of the school year!

Class attendance for the week beginning 11th March

RM	RJ	1B	1S	2N	2F	3B	3L	4K	4P	5MH	5AH	6C	6P
95.8%	94.8%	100%	94.6%	98.7%	99.0%	97.2%	98.6%	99.3%	94.1%	99.3%	97.3%	96.0%	95.9%

This week our whole school attendance was **97.2%**

Class attendance for the week beginning 18th March 2019

RM	RJ	1B	1S	2N	2F	3B	3L	4K	4P	5MH	5AH	6C	6P
93.8%	97.8%	98.5%	96.5%	96.3%	98.7%	96.6%	92.4%	96.1%	95.9%	97.9%	97.0%	95.6%	93.0%

This week our whole school attendance was **96.2%**

Class attendance for the week beginning 25th March 2019

RM	RJ	1B	1S	2N	2F	3B	3L	4K	4P	5MH	5AH	6C	6P
99.2%	89.3%	98.1%	95.8%	98.6%	100%	98.6%	94.8%	97.9%	97.8%	99.3%	92.7%	96.0%	98.9%

This week our whole school attendance was **96.9%**



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 or development, please make an appointment to see your child's teacher or the school SEND lead, Mrs Carlsen, who is covering Mrs Stokes whilst she is off on maternity leave. 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.

Tuesday 23 rd April	Summer Term begins *new*
Wednesday 24 th April	Years 5 and 6 LFC Girl's Football (small group) (am) *new*
Thursday 25 th April	Year 5 Multi-Sports (small group) (am) *new*
Thursday 2 nd May	Polling Day- SCHOOL CLOSED FOR CHILDREN *new*
Friday 3 rd May	Family Assembly- Reception Mrs Jones *new*
Tuesday 7 th May	Parent meeting in school hall- Introducing ROAR response *new*
Tuesday 7 th May	Whole school assembly- Introducing ROAR response *new*
Wednesday 8 th May	Years 3 and 4 Girl's football team (small group) (am) *new*
Wednesday 8 th May	Year 2 Cricket (small group) *new*
Wednesday 8 th May	Year 3 Wavertree (small group) *new*
Thursday 9 th May	Year 6 LFC Football League (small group) (pm) *new*
Thursday 9 th May	Year 3 Tennis Competition (small group) (pm) *new*
Wednesday 15 th May	Year 3 LFC Boy's Football (small group) (am) *new*
Friday 17 th May	Family Assembly- Reception Miss Melling *new*
20 th May-24 th May	Sports Week *new*