

St. Anne (Stanley) C of E Primary School

Newsletter

March 2022



Welcome to the March edition of our School Newsletter. We hope that you will enjoy reading about all the wonderful things that have taken place in our school this month! We're sure you will agree, March has been jam-packed with exciting opportunities and experiences for all our pupils across the school!



Our Reception children welcomed their families into school for their first ever 'Family Service'. The children spoke passionately about their differences, similarities, gifts and talents and how everyone should be proud of their uniqueness - it makes you special and it makes you, you! Everyone remarked how wonderful their singing and dancing was too - well done to both our Reception classes on such a fantastic service ☺



Our Year 3 children also performed their 'Family Service' at St. Anne's Church. Their performance was enjoyed by a huge turnout of parents, family members and friends. Their audience was treated to a selection of readings and songs from both our Year 3 classes. Thank you once again to everyone who could attend and also a big well done to our wonderful children for a great performance ☺



Year 5 and Year 6 children enjoyed a visit from Father Gary to mark Ash Wednesday. Children listened to a thought-provoking service in our school hall before being invited to take part in communion. Thank you once again Father Gary - we're already looking forward to your next service ☺



Ian from Asylum Link Merseyside, visited our school to talk to pupils about how and why many people in our world have to move to other countries to find safety. He did a special assembly to explain what his organization do to help and support these people find a new life. Children then went back to their classrooms and took part in workshops where they found out how incredibly difficult this experience is. They listened to a story about a little boy called Omran, who is six years old. They learned that Omran was a Syrian refugee and that he had to walk a thousand miles, with only a backpack to carry his belongings, in order to find a new home. The workshops were extremely interesting and thought provoking. It certainly made us realise how lucky we are.

Thank you to all our families and friends who also brought in donations of food, toiletries and clothes for Asylum Link Merseyside too - your donations were gratefully received and were very much appreciated.



JUDO

It has been our Reception children's turn to try out Judo this half term. They have really enjoyed learning how to stay safe and they have had a lot of fun in their weekly sessions in our school hall too. Their teachers are so proud of how hard they have been working - they can't believe how far they have come not only with remembering the Judo rules and moves but also with their listening skills and turn taking too! A big "well done", Reception!



WORLD BOOK DAY

It was lovely to celebrate World Book Day in school this year with everyone coming together to enjoy a thoroughly memorable day. Everyone looked fantastic in their book themed costumes and it was lovely to have Altru Drama back in school, too, for an open book workshop!



Budding Artists

Year 3 children had a visit from working artist, Laura-Kate. Laura-Kate came into school to talk to the children about her work and to work with the children on their own self portraits. The children were truly inspired by Laura-Kate and produced some totally amazing pieces - such amazing talent Year 3! Well done!



ROYAL LIVERPOOL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

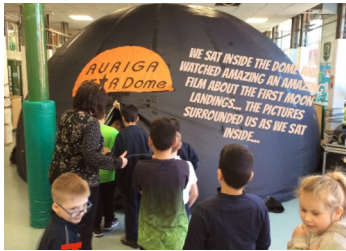
Our Year 3 pupils enjoyed a visit to the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic to experience a special school concert called 'Musical Tracks'. The concerts have been running for over 80 years and are attended by over 18,000 children every year! Our children had a magical time and, as usual were a credit to our school with their impeccable manners and behavior 😊



Our whole school had a lot of fun taking part in British Science Week - a huge thank you to Miss Hodson for organizing all our guests, workshops and exciting experiments. It was certainly a week to remember!



One of the highlights of the week was a visit from a planetarium to our school. The planetarium set up a huge 'Auriga Star Dome' in our school hall and our Key Stage 2 children were invited inside to watch a film about the first moon landings - it was a truly fantastic experience with pictures surrounding everyone inside!



The 'Mad Science' company also paid our school a visit. Based on the principles of scientific method and enquiry-based learning children enjoyed a 'mind-blowing' workshop in which they were encouraged to develop and understand what it means to work and think like a scientist!



Our Early Years and Key Stage 1 classes were in for a real treat too when Acorn Farm came to visit our school. Children learnt how to look after and care for an array of animals and even experienced petting and feeding them too! Science Week has been amazing!



Researchers at Imperial College London invited both Year 4 and Year 5 children from our school to take part in an exciting air pollution project. Participation in the project was voluntary, but those pupils wished to take part enjoyed an informative lesson where they learnt about air pollution. Our Year 4 and Year 5 volunteers were then given backpacks with pollution sensors concealed inside them so that samples of air from their school commutes could be collected. The project hopes to raise awareness of air pollution issues for children in Liverpool and give them some recommendations for what they can do to reduce their exposure to air pollution in the city. A short video has been made with help from some of the children that volunteered from our school and is available to view on the Liverpool City Council Twitter Page:

<https://twitter.com/i/status/1509541130903470086>

If you are interested in finding out more about the project or if you would like to learn about things we can do to help reduce the impact of air pollution, please have a look at their website; <https://letsclearthairliverpool.co.uk>



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A massive "Thank you" for all of your help and generous donations towards helping to support the various charities and raffles that our school has championed this month. With your help, we have raised an amazing £180.20 for Comic relief (red nose day) and £278.10 for the Bobby Collieran Trust (our wear blue for Bobby day). I'm sure that you will agree, both charities support very worthwhile causes. Your donations will be spent on helping them to continue with the amazing work and support they provide and offer. A very big thank you once again, your generosity is very much appreciated.

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