

St. Anne (Stanley) C of E  
Primary School

# Newsletter

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Our Summer Term has been a busy one with an action-packed curriculum for all of our children across the different key stages at St. Anne's.



The beginning of May saw our Muslim families celebrating Eid al-Fitr, (Festival of Breaking the Fast). As many of the children in our school learnt, Eid is a religious holiday celebrated by Muslims worldwide that marks the end of the month-long dawn-to-sunset fasting of Ramadan. Many of the children across the school spoke to their classmates about how they and their families celebrated this special festival and Mrs Jaffer, one of our Year 5 Teaching Assistants, also spoke to several classes about this special time of year too. I'm sure you'll join us in wishing all of our Muslim families and friends a very happy and peaceful Eid, 'Eid Mubarak'.

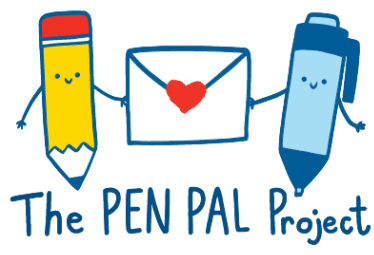


Miss Melling's Reception class have excitedly welcomed two new members into their class this term. Giant African Land Snails, Sonic and Sandy were donated by Myerscough College and arrived shortly after the Easter holiday. Reception children have enjoyed getting to know their new friends and learning about how to care for them. So far they have learnt that their favourite foods are lettuce, cucumber and dandelion leaves. The children have also enjoyed helping Sonic and Sandy to clean by rubbing their shells with a soft toothbrush and warm water! Keep looking at the Reception Twitter page for more updates on our new school editions.



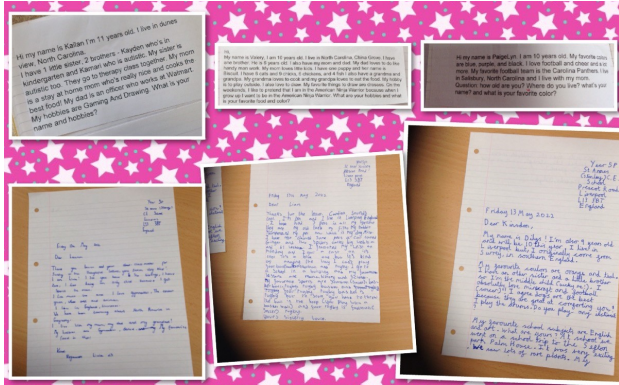
Mrs Jones' Reception class have also welcomed some tiny new additions into their class in the form of five hairy caterpillars! They have enjoyed watching how the caterpillars have grown and formed into chrysalis. This week they made an exciting discovery when they noticed that Painted Lady Butterflies had started emerging from their chrysalis! They're now looking forward to observing the butterflies for a couple of days before releasing them into the wild!





Miss Prior's class in Year 5 received some lovely letters in the mail this term all the way from North Carolina in America! The children recently embarked on a pen pal project, with their American friends writing to them first. Year 5P have been busy writing their replies, linking their letters to both English and Geography topics!

Our Year 4 children in Miss Hodson's class have started up a friendship club. The children work together to make up dances and play games together. The children have explained that this has been working really well as it is bringing people together and giving them the opportunity to chat! A big well done Year 4 - what a fantastic idea and a wonderful thing to promote!



Congratulations to our Young Voices Choir of 2022. Children in Years 4 through to 6 have been working very hard over the last couple of months in preparation for their concert at Manchester Arena which took place this week. Our children joined the largest children's choir concert in the world which saw them performing alongside 5,000-8,000 other children as a single choir!



Year 5 enjoyed a trip to Sefton Park where they visited the Palm House to learn about this iconic Liverpool buildings history. They found out the different plants, where in the world they originated from and how long they'd been in the Palm House for. They also got to meet the caretaker who explained what was entailed in looking after all of these magnificent plants. After leaving the Palm House, the children embarked on a magical mystery tour of Liverpool, visiting other historical buildings around Liverpool City Centre.



A massive 'thank you' to Michael Melia for donating the beautiful picture, shown below, to our school. We're sure that you will agree that it is a very striking piece of work that will take pride of place in our school - thank you!





What an end to the first half of the summer term! We hope that the children have had as much fun as we have this week celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee! Many of the children were amazed to find out that Queen Elizabeth has been on the throne for 70 years, making her the longest serving monarch in British history!

The whole school enjoyed a special street-style "Queen's Tea Party". It really was lovely to see the school coming together to mark such a momentous occasion! Thank you to Cerri, Cheryl and all of the kitchen staff for organising the party food - it really was appreciated and enjoyed by everyone!



A big 'thank you' to Miss Quinn for organizing our 'Sports Day' at Newsham Park. I'm sure that you will agree that it was a huge success - we've had so many positive comments from parents, carers and grandparents - for A massive 'thank you' to everyone who came along and supported us, it really was appreciated!



We finished our wonderful week of celebrations with Mr. Lucas and a whole school sing along in our back playground where each year group was invited to sing a song from a different decade of the Queen's reign. Again, it was lovely to come together and share in the Queen's Jubilee as school - a huge will done to all the different year groups who took part - what an amazing action-packed week it to remember!



Our wonderful kitchen staff worked tirelessly again on Thursday to enable the whole school to enjoy a 'School Barbeque Lunch Party'. Staff and pupils were treated to array of deliciously grilled food that had been cooked outdoors in our side playground - what a tasty treat!



Finally, a massive thank you to all of our parents, carers and grandparents this week too for all of your help and support! We'd like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy and safe half term holiday - we look forward to seeing you back in school on Monday 13th June.