

St. Anne (Stanley) C of E Primary School

Newsletter



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Welcome to the February 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, February has been jam-packed with exciting opportunities and experiences for all our pupils across the school!



Our amazing school Eco council helped to clear both our school grounds and local streets of litter earlier this month. With the help of Mrs Kenwright and Miss Melling, they are working towards getting the Eco Green Flag Award. Liverpool City Council kindly provided them with some equipment and our Eco team managed to fill an impressive three full bags in 40 minutes!

This is great practice for them in preparation for the end of the month when they will be taking part in a clean up with the 'Keep Britain Tidy' campaign. A massive well done to everyone involved - we're all very grateful for your hard work in helping to make our local area a cleaner place to be ©













Year 1 Children had a brilliant time on their visit to the Museum of Liverpool this month. They took part in a special workshop looking at the artist Ben Johnson and learnt all about his cityscape painting. They also enjoyed using binoculars to take a closer look at some of Liverpool's famous landmarks! Children then had the opportunity to create their own cityscape artwork, based on Liverpool landmarks, before wandering around the museum and enjoying all of the other exhibits too!









A big thank you to all our parents and carers who supported the children during NSPCC Number Day. The children looked amazing in their number and patterned outfits. We raised £106.60 for this wonderful charity and our mini mathematicians enjoyed a day full of exciting maths activities including maths challenges, games and a poster competition.

Also, many of our mini mathematicians have told me that they are loving their maths zippy bag activities. The maths zippy bags were sent home on NSPCC Number Day and it was so lovely to see how excited all of the children were when the bags were delivered to the classrooms. A big thank you for supporting your children with their maths learning at home.

Miss Nurse









Children's Mental Health Week 2023 took place from 6-12 February and this year's theme was Let's Connect.

Let's Connect is about making meaningful connections. Human beings thrive in communities and this connection is vital for our wellbeing. When we have healthy connections to family, friends and others - this can support our mental health and our sense of wellbeing. In contrast, when our need for rewarding social connections is not met, we can sometimes feel isolated and lonely, which can have a negative impact on our mental health.

As parents and carers, you play an important role in your child's mental health. If you get a moment, check out these free resources for families on the Children's Mental Health Week website;

https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/families/

Over the course of Children's Mental Health Week, pupils across our school got to try out and take part in lots of different activities, workshops and lessons. Whilst some of the workshops were thought-provoking, others were centered around the idea that a healthy body leads to a healthy mind.



Yellow House is a unique youth organisation set up in the mid 1980s. Founded by George McKane in Liverpool, Yellow House is named after Vincent van Gogh's House in Arles where his door was always open. Yellow House have been committed to the social, emotional wellbeing and development of young people.

A team from Yellow House spent the day in our school, running a number of social and emotional workshops with our Key Stage 2 pupils, working on team building exercises and trust.







A big 'thank you' to Samantha Clare (one of our Year 4 parents) who came in to work with our Year 4, 5 and 6 pupils. Samantha invited children to try out Zumba (a fitness program that combines Latin and international music with dance moves).

Zumba is extremely beneficial to your health as it targets lots of different muscle groups at once as well as helping to promote a healthy heart through is cardiovascular and anaerobic benefits! This of course also helps you de-stress © The classes were thoroughly enjoyed by everyone - thank you so much Samantha for giving up your time and helping us keep our minds and bodies healthy (your class was so much fun!)





We all know that music and dancing are fun activities. Children love to move around and make noise, but did you know it's also an important part of their development? Dancing, singing and playing music are part of a child's process of growing up and learning what their bodies can do. It also teaches children how to interact with other people, objects and the world around them. It can also help them to improve their listening and understanding skills too.

Our Year 2 Teaching Assistant, Miss Charlton worked with Reception, Year 1, 2 and 3 classes during mental health week and lead some fabulous dance sessions for them. The children had an amazing time and were extremely eager to join in and participate in her high energy dance and movement classes! Thank you so my much Miss Charlton - we had so much fun with you ©



