

St. Anne (Stanley) C of E **Primary School**



September/October 2025





It has been a pleasure to welcome all our pupils and families back to school for the start of the 2025 Autumn Term. The enthusiasm and positivity with which the children have returned is a true credit to our St. Anne's community. It is wonderful to see so many smiling faces and such a positive approach to the year ahead.

We also extend a very warm welcome to all those who have joined St. Anne's for the first time this term. We hope that you and your children have settled in well and are already beginning to feel part of our school family. It has been particularly rewarding to observe new relationships forming and early friendships developing. We look forward to supporting you throughout your St. Anne's journey.



Our school value for this half term is Honesty. Honesty may be defined as being free from deceit or untruthfulness and marked by sincerity. As a Christian community, we recognise that a life of faith should be one characterised by integrity and truth. However, we also acknowledge that, as human beings, we all fall short at times. For this reason, honesty is a virtue which so generously supported our Harvest Appeal. Every we must strive to uphold in our words, our actions, and our relationships with others.

As we reflect upon this value, we are reminded of these words from the Bible:

"You will know the truth and the truth will set you free."

John 8:32

May we all seek to live with honesty and integrity, encouraging one another to speak the truth with kindness and to act with sincerity in all that we do.





Families of our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils were invited to join us for a most uplifting Harvest Eucharist on the 1st October at St. Anne's Church. The children led a thoughtful service of thanksgiving, celebrating the gifts of the harvest and the food that has been grown. They also reflected upon and gave thanks for the many blessings in their lives, including family, friendship, and the joy of community.

Our sincere thanks go to all the pupils in Years 5 and 6 for leading such a meaningful and inspiring service. It provided a wonderful opportunity for us all to pause, reflect, and give thanks for the many good things we so often take for granted.





We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all who donation was gratefully received and passed on to Reverend Emma and her team at the Parish Church of St. Anne, Stanley. The contributions have since been distributed to local foodbanks and will be used to support those in need within our local community.





We are once again delighted to be supporting Children in Need this November - a wonderful opportunity for our school community to come together to help others and make a positive difference.

As in previous years, we will be supporting the appeal by inviting pupils to come to school wearing something yellow or spotty on Friday, 14th November, for a small voluntary contribution.

In addition, we have been kindly gifted some official Children in Need merchandise from last year (2024), including Pudsey Bear ears and metal pin badges. These items will be available to purchase in school, with all profits being donated directly to the charity. Please note that merchandise is limited to the items we have been gifted and will therefore be sold on a first come, first served basis.

- Pudsey Bear Ears £1
- Pin Badges £1

We thank you, as always, for your generous support in helping us raise funds for this wonderful cause. We look forward to seeing the children dressed in their bright and cheerful outfits as we come together to support others and make a difference.



Our Year 5 pupils did us proud at a recent Dodgeball Tournament organised by a Sixth Form student from North Liverpool Academy! The organisers and staff were full of praise for the *fantastic behaviour* and *team spirit*

shown by all our children. Everyone received a certificate for taking part - with a big shout-out to Frankie (5K) for stepping in at the last minute, and an extra special well done to Elli-Mae, who was named Female Player of the Tournament for her amazing resilience and sportsmanship. Well done, we're so proud of you all!









As part of our work to help pupils understand the importance of Remembrance and to reflect on those who have served their country, we are delighted to once again support the St. Luke's Poppy Garden Project.

Pupils from St. Anne's School have been invited to take part in this inspiring community initiative, which involves children creating poppies from used plastic bottles. All completed poppies will be collected and displayed en masse in the memorial garden at St. Luke's "Bombed Out" Church.

The project aims to promote the values of recycling and creativity, while also helping children to engage with the important history and significance of Remembrance.

If you would like your child to take part, please send the base of a plastic bottle into school on Monday, 20th October. Please ensure that only the base of the bottle is sent in, and that an adult cuts it safely before sending it with your child.

We are proud to once again be part of this meaningful community project, honouring those who have served while encouraging our pupils to learn, create, and reflect.





We're supporting the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal again this year! If your child would like to buy a poppy or other remembrance items, please send them into school with a small donation.

Suggested donations:

- Sticker 20p
- Poppy 50p
- Reflector £1
- Fabric wristband £1
- Snap band £1



Thank you for helping us support this special cause.



Admissions are now open for parents of children due to start **Reception** or **Year 7** in **September 2026**. All applications must be made online using the link provided below. We would encourage parents to submit their applications at the earliest opportunity to ensure they meet the local authority's deadline.

Key Dates:

Reception Applications: Open **September 2025** and close on **15th January 2026**.

Year 7 Applications: Open **September 2025** and close on **31st October 2025**.



https://emsonline.liverpool.gov.uk/
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Should you require any further information or assistance with the application process, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher, who will be happy to help.



We are pleased to share our updated Autumn Term school lunch menus, which are now available for parents, carers, and families to view on our school website. Please follow the link below or, alternatively, scan the QR code using your smartphone or other device.

School dinners are free of charge for all children in Reception, Year 1, and Year 2, in accordance with the Universal Infant Free School Meals entitlement. For pupils in Key Stage 2, the cost of a school meal is £2.00 per day.



https://foodforthoughtschools.co.uk/

We encourage all families to take a look at the menus to see the wide variety of healthy, balanced, and nutritious meals available each day.



Our Reception children have been thoroughly enjoying their sessions with Bikability on the balance bikes. They have already learned a wonderful range of new skills, and we look forward to seeing how they continue to progress over the coming weeks.

During the sessions, the children have been developing their balance and coordination, learning how to push and glide, as well as practising some important basic cycle safety skills. It has been a pleasure to see their confidence growing with each lesson.





IMPORTANT dates to remember

<u>Friday 17th October</u> - Show Racism the Red Card and wear something red to school

<u>Tuesday 21st October</u> - Year 4 Family Service in Church at 10am

Week Beginning 20th October - Parent's Evenings

<u>31st October</u> - Deadline for applying for your Secondary School, Year 7 place for September 2026

<u>Friday 24th October</u> - Break up for Half Term

<u>Tuesday 4th November</u> - Back to school

Tuesday 11th November - Odd Sock Day

<u>Wednesday 12th November</u> - Year 6 Eucharist in Church at 10am

<u>Friday 14th November</u> - Children in Need - wear something yellow or spotty

<u>Tuesday 18th November</u> - Year 2 Family Service in Church at 10am