



A very Happy New Year! We hope you all enjoyed a restful Christmas break and have had a positive start to the new term. The children have returned to school full of enthusiasm, settling quickly back into their routines and enjoying a wide range of exciting opportunities and experiences that support and enhance their learning here at St. Anne's.

Our Year 5 pupils delivered a lovely service for their families at St Anne's Church to celebrate Candlemas.

Candlemas is a Christian festival celebrated on 2nd February, marking the presentation of Jesus at the Temple and symbolising light, hope and new beginnings. During the service, pupils reflected on the meaning of light in our lives and how we can share kindness, hope and positivity with others. Through thoughtful readings, prayers and songs, the children spoke confidently and respectfully, making the service both meaningful and memorable for all who attended.



Well done to Year 5 for representing our school so beautifully, and thank you to families and staff who joined us for this special celebration.

We are currently welcoming applications for our Nursery intake for September 2026, and we are proud to offer a nurturing, happy, and stimulating environment where children love to learn and grow. Our nursery provides a wide range of engaging, play-based activities, both indoors and outdoors, designed to spark curiosity, build confidence, and support every child's development.



With caring, experienced staff, strong routines, and exciting learning opportunities, our nursery is a wonderful place for children to make friends, explore, and thrive. We also offer full-time and part-time places, along with a breakfast club and after-school club, to support busy families.



If you would like to see what makes our nursery such a special place, please contact the school office on (0151) 228 1506 to arrange a visit, or call into our school office to collect an application form and secure a place for September 2026.

A huge thank you to all our parents and carers for supporting the children during NSPCC Number Day. The children looked fantastic in their number-themed and patterned outfits, and we were delighted to raise over £111 for this wonderful charity. Our mini mathematicians also enjoyed a day packed with exciting maths activities and fun challenges!



Our school has been very fortunate this term to work alongside the LSSP Foundation, a not-for-profit Charitable Incorporated Organisation dedicated to providing all children and young people with high-quality Physical Education, school sport and physical activity experiences. The LSSP team are passionate, experienced and highly skilled practitioners who work tirelessly to inspire children to enjoy the benefits of being physically active and leading healthy lifestyles.

This term, the LSSP team have been working closely with our Year 3 pupils, delivering a range of engaging and informative sessions. Our pupils (and staff!) particularly enjoyed a session with Coach Kate, where they learned all about the digestive system and what happens to the food we eat once it enters the body. Coach Kate brought learning to life by demonstrating digestion through making “poo” using digestive biscuits, banana, cocoa powder and water - a memorable (and fun!) way to support understanding. Pupils also discussed healthy eating, learning about foods we should eat more of and those best enjoyed as an occasional treat.



In addition, this half term Year 3 have also been working with Coach Sam, focusing on orienteering. Pupils learned how to follow routes using maps, give and follow directional instructions, and develop both verbal and non-verbal communication skills. During their final session, pupils even created their own orienteering maps for their friends to follow, showcasing excellent teamwork and problem-solving skills.



A massive thank you to everyone who brought their empty chocolate tubs into school! With your support, we managed to collect an extremely impressive 445 empty tubs! The tubs will be passed on to Greene King’s ‘Tub2Pub’ recycling campaign, which helps to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support while also recycling plastics responsibly.

A big thank you also goes to Miss Williams and her family for organising the collection in our school. Their time and effort helped make this initiative such a great success.

Miss Williams is now collecting for next year’s appeal, so please keep bringing your empty tubs into school.



In 2025, the Tub2Pub campaign collected over 240,000 tubs, raising an incredible £10,916 for Macmillan Cancer Support. With your continued support, we’re hopeful we can help beat that record in 2026! All tubs will be collected and taken to a plastic reprocessing centre, where they are shredded before being sold on to plastic manufacturers to use in place of virgin plastics. Every penny raised from the sale of Tub2Pub plastics goes directly to Macmillan Cancer Support.

TUB2PUB

Recycle your plastic tubs and raise funds for charity with Tub 2 Pub!

Greene King pubs are collecting (clean):
 Confectionery tubs
 Biscuit tubs
 Cracker tubs

We'd love to see your stacks, tag us! #Tub2Pub

www.tub2pub.co.uk



Easyfundraising is a simple, free way for families, staff and friends of St. Anne (Stanley) C of E Primary School to support our community just by shopping online. Every time you make a purchase with one of thousands of participating retailers, a small donation is made to our school at no extra cost to you.

What is Easyfundraising?

Easyfundraising is the UK's biggest charity and community shopping platform. It partners with over 8,000 retailers including supermarkets, travel companies, clothing brands, tech stores and more to turn everyday online purchases into free donations.

Retailers pay a charity commission whenever someone shops through Easyfundraising. Instead of that money disappearing into advertising budgets, it can be redirected to support our school.

How It Works

Supporting the school takes just a few steps:

1. Join for Free <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/st-anne-stanley-c-of-e-primary-school/>

Create a free Easyfundraising account and select St. Anne (Stanley) C of E Primary School as your chosen cause.

2. Shop as Normal

Visit your favourite retailers through the Easyfundraising website or app. You'll find all the brands you already use; Tesco, Sainsbury's, Argos, John Lewis, eBay, Booking.com, and many more.

3. Retailers Donate to Us

Once you've made a purchase, the retailer sends a small donation to our school. There's no fee and no extra cost to your shopping.

Why Join Easyfundraising?

Completely free to use

Works with everyday purchases you already make

Helps raise vital funds towards equipment, activities, student opportunities and community events

Small donations add up quickly when lots of people take part

An effortless way for families to support the school

Our Nursery and Reception children also enjoyed a visit from Kate, a coach from the LSSP Foundation. The children took part in a healthy eating workshop where they learned about nutritious foods and how to create a balanced meal for Hope, a teddy bear getting ready for a picnic.

Working together, the children chose a variety of healthy foods for Hope to enjoy, followed by a treat. Kate also talked to the children about looking after their teeth and the importance of keeping active to gain energy and stay healthy.



Friday 13th February

Last day in school (break up for half term).

Monday 23rd February

Back to school.

Tuesday 3rd March

Year 3 Family Service in Church, 10am

Thursday 5th March

World Book Day

Week Beginning Monday 9th March

Parent's Evenings

7th - 16th March

British Science Week 'Change & Adapt'

Friday 13th March

Wear Blue for Bobby

Friday 20th March

Red Nose Day

Thursday 26th March

Year 1 & 2 Easter Service in Church, 2pm

Friday 27th March

School closes for Easter break