

St. Anne's Catholic Primary School

JANUARY 2018 Newsletter

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A NEW YEAR GREETING

I do hope that you all had a wonderful celebration at Christmas and are looking forward to all that 2018 will bring!

GOD'S LOVE, PEACE, HOPE & JOY TO YOU ALL FOR THE YEAR AHEAD - HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The children returned to school on Monday and reflected upon the feast of the Epiphany.



The feast of the Epiphany celebrates the day when the Wise Men found Mary and Joseph with baby Jesus. They were filled with wonder and joy and fell to their knees to worship him. The three Wise Men were not Jews. They came from the lands far to the east and were astrologers who used the star to guide them on their journeys. They also knew of the prophecies of an infant king to be born, a Saviour.

Through them his arrival was announced to the world. Jesus had come, not just for the Jews, but for all people.

THANK YOU TO THE PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

Thank you to the Parents' Association for giving the children such an enjoyable end to the Autumn term. The children loved the Christmas Fair and meeting Father Christmas in the grotto!

Many thanks on behalf of the whole school community to Diane Smithwick, Gina Walkley, Laura Hughes, Michelle Osborne and Hayley Reeves for all their help in organising the Fair and also to Laura Gilmartin, Helen Carroll, Jo Burgess and Paula Keegan for their help on the day to make the Fair such a huge success. Thanks also to school staff Mrs Revell, Mrs Feeney, Mrs Gregson, Mrs Mitchell, Miss Critchley, Miss Frodsham, Miss Williams and Miss Hodgkiss.

A total of £1,000.00 was raised - this will be used to further support trips, activities and resources for the children.

BRONZE AWARDS

Congratulations and well done to the following children who have achieved a Bronze Award for gaining 100 Smilies: Nancy Holleran, Ava Walkley and Hannah Mitchell.

100% ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY FOR AUTUMN TERM

Congratulations to the following children who have achieved 100% attendance in the Autumn term. Well done to children and parents!:

Mia Ainsworth, Poppie Arnold, Julia Baba, Tomir Baba, Ciara Barkey, Madeleine Bell, Holly Bergquist, Ruby Bigelow, Ruby Booth, George Bowers, Ethan Bryan, Joseph Burgess, Rosie Burgess, Emily Busher, Luis Busher, Eva Caffrey, Isla Clayton, Javier Cleverley, Sebastian Cleverley, Grace Colleran, Alexander Craige, Gerrard Dever, James Dineley, Harry Dodd, Charlie Drew, Tess Dunne, Alfie Dwyer, Jack Dwyer, Patrick Edwards, Jack Egan, Katie Evans, Sienna Farley, Bobby Flynn, Frederick Foster, Sean Gallagher, Aaron Gillespie, James Gillespie, Liam Golding, Bella Grainger, Benjamin Grainger, Eden Griffin, Kevin Guinness, Jacob Harnick, Sasha Hayes, Darci Heffey, Grace Hughes, Charlie Humphries, Poppy Huyton, Ethan Jones, Hayden Jones, Holly Jones, Joshua Jones, Isla Keegan, Hattie Kenny, Gabriel Ladusans, Justin Ladusans, Ava Lafferty, Maizie Lafferty, Joseph D'Arcy Lang, Oliver Leather, Frankie Lee, Oscar Lee, Rose Littlewood, Alfie Martin, Isla Matthews, Niamh Matthews, Eva McGovern, Dominic Monaghan, Joel Morgan, Roisin Murphy, Siohban Murphy, Adam Murray, Jake Murray, Gabriella Osborne, Eleanor Parry, Freya Peacock, Harry Pendleton, Ava Phillips, Joshua Phillips, Daniel Porter, Brandon Pryor, Katie Reeves, Sophie Riley, Ellie May Rooney, Danielle Roscoe, Hollie Roscoe, Callum Russell, Felicity Sarbutts, Evangeline Shallcross, Seraphina Shallcross, William Skillen, Harry Skinley, Ellie Smith, Jessie Smith, Lilly McDonald, Oliver Smith, Niall Smithwick, Isabella Sosa Robinson, Archie Sussex, Ellie Tirant, Ruby Todd, Isobel Tomlinson, Oscar Townley, Samuel Usher, Alice Waters, Kiera Wharton, Ralph Whicker, David Winstanley, Marcus Woodside, Maiya Worsley and Grace Wray.

Please be reminded that Headteachers cannot authorise requests for days off in term-time, other than in exceptional circumstances, which do not include holidays, birthdays or visiting relatives. Parents have a responsibility for making sure their children attend school regularly and do not miss out on their education.

Research shows that pupils who have good attendance levels are likely to achieve better school results. In addition, the Council regularly monitors the school attendance of pupils and will work with the pupil, their parents/carers and the school to address any attendance issues at an early stage. Children whose attendance fell below 90% in the Autumn term are now highlighted for key action by the Attendance Service and will be invited to the next Attendance Panel Meeting with myself, Mrs Revell and a School Attendance Officer.

For further information, tips and advice on how to improve your child's attendance, contact the School Inclusion Team on 0151 443 5147. In addition, advice for parents can be found on the Council's website – <http://www.knowsley.gov.uk/residents/education-and-schools/attendance-in-schools>

Congratulations to the following children who have achieved 100% punctuality in the Autumn term. Well done again to children and parents!:

Mia Ainsworth, Eliza Anzani, Poppie Arnold, Charlie Astbury, Jamie Astbury, Kaia Baba, Shae Bennett, Holly Bergquist, Jacob Booth, Ruby Booth, Layla Bouchier, Evelyn Bowers, George Bowers, Daniel Brown, Joseph Burgess, Rosie Burgess, Emily Busher, Luis Busher, Emilia Callaghan, Emilio-Francis Cavadino, Javier Cleverley, Sebastian Cleverley, Ruby Coleman, Grace Colleran, Sadie Corrigan, Eva Courtney, Matthew Craige, Harry Davies, Peter Dempsey, Ethan Doolan, Charlie Drew, Tess Dunne, Jack Egan, Katie Evans, Joseph Fagan, Sienna Farley, Sofia Farley, Bobby Flynn, Frederick Foster, Joseph Gallagher, Sean Gallagher, Aaron Gillespie, James Gillespie, Joshua Gilmartin, Liam Golding, Bella Grainger, Benjamin Grainger, Eden Griffin, Jacob Griffin, Scarlett Hardacre, Sasha Hayes, Darci Heffey, Harry Higgins, Matthew Hill-Edmondson, Bobby Hindley, Rubi Hindley, Charlie Holleran, Isabella Holloran, Miller Holloran, Noah Horrocks, Phoebe Horrocks, Emily Hughes, Erin Hughes, Grace Hughes, Lewis Hughes, Emilia Hynes, Isaac Hynes, Noah Hynes, Maddison Jackson, Ethan Jones, Hayden Jones, Joshua Jones, Tilly Jones, Gabriel Keating, Isla Keegan, Hattie Kenny, Ruby Lafferty, Tessa Lawson, Charlie Leather, Oliver Leather, Frankie Lee, Oscar Lee, Zach Lister, Rose Littlewood, Hollie Lowton, Bobby Maher, Austin Man, Freya Mather, George Mather, Isla Matthews, Niamh Matthews, Charlie McCoy, Francis McDonough, Neve McElhinney, Eva McGovern, Grace McGrath, Christopher McIver, James McManus, Luke McManus, Hannah Mitchell, Peggy Monaghan, Tomas Moran, Joel Morgan, Mia O'Donnell, Callum Ord, Mason Ord, Tiaanne O'Reilly Paton, Gabriella Osborne, Eleanor Parry, Libby Parry, Rosie Pearsall, Harry Pendleton, Ava Phillips, Joshua Phillips, Sean Preston, Ava Pryor Brandon Pryor, Mae Rattigan, May Rawcliffe, Lilian Reeves, Lucas Riccio, Jack Richardson, Charlie Riley, Sophie Riley, Gerard Roberts, Ruby Roberts, Zack Roberts, Callum Rooney, Ellie May Rooney, Danielle Roscoe, Hollie Roscoe, Shannon Rowan, Patsy-Ann Russell, Levi Sadlier, Maxwell Sadlier, Evangeline Shallcross, Seraphina Shallcross, Xander Sim, William Skillen, Harry Skinley, Frankie Smith, Halle Smith, Jessie Smith, Joshua Smith, Oliver Smith, William Smith, Niall Smithwick, Isabella Sosa Robinson, Luke Sosa Robinson, Archie Sussex, Evie Tapp, Neve Thomas, Isobel Tomlinson, Oscar Townley, Isla Trundle, Hallie Usher, Ava Walkley, Joe Walkley, Alice Waters, Kiera Wharton, David Winstanley, Hattie Woods, Grace Wray, Lee Wright and Jessica Wrigley.

DINNER MONEY FOR SPRING TERM

The price for school meals is £1.90 per day/£9.50 per week. If you choose a school meal for your child, it should be for at least a half term but preferably a term so that the Cook can plan the ordering sufficiently. Party box days are an exception.

If you wish to pay for the whole term the amount payable will be £46.60 (for the period Monday 8th January to Friday 9th February). Payment must be made via ParentPay.

If your child will be late into school, please phone the office before 9.30am and order your child's meal if possible.

SCHOOL MEALS £1.00 PARTY BOX

On **THURSDAY 18th JANUARY** the School Meals Service will be offering a special Party Box lunch for £1.00. If your child does not normally have a school meal, but would like to have a party box on **THURSDAY 18th JANUARY**, please complete the slip which will be sent home and make payment of £1.00 via Parentpay. (Foundation Stage and Key Stage One children do not need to pay). If your child does not want a party box, jacket potatoes will also be available.



PACKED LUNCHES

Just a gentle reminder that chocolates and sweets should not be sent into school; this also includes any confectionery in the children's packed lunches. Please do not put lemonade or other fizzy drinks in your child's lunchbox. Thank you.

BOTTLED WATER

Children are encouraged to bring bottled water to school which they can sip during the day to keep themselves healthy and hydrated. Bottles should be clear plastic with a sports top and should be labelled with your child's name. This is especially important during and after PE lessons/extra-curricular activities. Flavoured water and juice are not allowed.

Many thanks in anticipation of your co-operation.

ST AGNES' FEAST DAY

St Agnes' Feast day will be celebrated in Church on **SUNDAY 21st JANUARY** at **11.00 am**. It is hoped as many families as possible will attend.

ARCHDIOCESE SCHOOL LEVY

Thank you for the contributions of £10.00 per family which we have already received. We would be grateful for any outstanding contributions to be sent into school by **FRIDAY 26th JANUARY 2018**. Please send your contribution in an envelope marked "Archdiocesan Schools Levy" with your child's name and year group so that we can keep accurate records. Many thanks.

PARENTS AND CHILDREN WORKSHOPS

We aim to help you support your child's learning at home as much as possible. Workshops will be organised throughout the year which will be led by Vicky Powell from Knowsley's Family Learning Partnership. The workshops for this term will focus on the school priorities of Reading and Design technology. The children will join their parents/carers.

Workshop Focus	Date
Key Stage 2 Reading Workshop	Wednesday 17 th January at 1.30 – 3.00 pm
Key Stage 2 DT Workshop Healthy Eating	Wednesday 24 th January at 1.30 – 3.00 pm
Key Stage 2 DT Workshop Healthy Eating	Wednesday 31 st January at 1.30 – 3.00 pm
Key Stage 2 DT Workshop Healthy Eating	Wednesday 7 th February at 1.30 – 3.00 pm
Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 Story Sacks	Wednesday 21 st February at 1.15 – 3.00 pm
Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 Story Sacks	Wednesday 28 th February at 1.15 - 3.00 pm
Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 Story Sacks	Wednesday 7 th March at 1.15 – 3.00 pm
Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 Story Sacks	Wednesday 14 th March at 1.15 – 3.00 pm
Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 Story Sacks	Wednesday 21 st March at 1.15 – 3.00 pm
Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 Story Sacks	Wednesday 28 th March at 1.15 – 3.00 pm

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES – SPRING TERM

Club	Year group	Day	Time	Teacher
Dance	Years 3, 4/3, 4, 5, 6/5 and 6	Monday	3.10 – 4.10 pm	Miss Lyndsey
Young Voices Choir	Years 3, 4/3, 4, 5, 6/5 and 6	Tuesday	3.00 – 4.30 pm (until Young Voices, then 4.00pm)	Miss Frodsham and Mrs Keating
Art and Craft	Year 4	Thursday	3.00 - 4.00pm	Mrs Revell
Mathletics Club	Year 5 (Miss Hodgkiss class)	Thursday	3.00 - 4.00pm	Miss Hodgkiss
School Council (Half Termly)	Years 2 - 6	Friday	Lunchtime	Mrs Keating and Mrs Revell
Spanish	KS1 and KS2	Friday	3.00 – 4.00 pm	Language Academy

YOUNG VOICES

The national 'Young Voices Concert' will take place on **THURSDAY 25TH JANUARY 2018** in Manchester. Choir will continue on Tuesdays and include additional rehearsal time until 4.30pm. It is an amazing and exciting opportunity for the children and we wish the best of luck to:

Holly Bergquist, Joseph Burgess, Luis Busher, Isla Clayton, Harry Dodd, Charlie Drew, Joanna Duncan, Tess Dunne, Jack Egan, Katie Evans, Joseph Gallagher, Eden Griffin, Scarlett Harrison, Isabella Holloran, Emily Hughes, Poppy Huyton, Tessa Lawson, Charlie McCoy, Bobby McElhinney, Darci McElhinney, Hannah Mitchell, Tomas Moran, Tiaanne O'Reilly Paton, Lilian Reeves, Evangeline Shallcross, Ellie Jo Smith, Niall Smithwick, Evie Tapp, Isobel Tomlinson, Kiera Wharton and Ruby Mai Wolhuter.

LANGUAGE ACADEMY

The Liverpool Language Academy hold after school Spanish classes at St Anne's on a weekly basis. For any enquiries please call 0151 259 4455.

REJOICE ASSEMBLIES

Parents are invited to join the Rejoice Assemblies

- Lower Key Stage 2 (Years 3, 4/3 and 4) on **WEDNESDAY 31st JANUARY at 9.10 am**,
- Upper Key Stage 2 (Years 5, 6/5 and 6) on **WEDNESDAY 7th MARCH 2018 at 9.10 am**
- Key Stage 1 (Bumblebees, Dragonflies and Ladybirds) on **WEDNESDAY 11TH APRIL at 9.10am**.

STAFF NEWS

Miss Kidd was married during the Christmas holiday and she will return to school as Mrs Harry. Congratulations from everyone at St Anne's!

BIRTHDAYS!

We would like to wish the following children who celebrate their birthday in the month of JANUARY a 'Happy Birthday':-

Joseph Buckley, Mollie Buckley, Lucas Riccio, Jacob Griffin, Ruby Lafferty, Hallie Usher, Jacob Gilmartin, Amelia Williams, Isla Keegan, Joseph Bate, Lottie Tran, Ruby Coleman, Alarna Bird, Christopher McIver, Barney Murray, David Winstanley, Rosa Jarauta, Rose Littlewood, Sam Morrison, Liam Golding, Jessica Kehoe, Niamh Matthews, Archie Pearsall, Jacob Maher, Ava Lafferty, Evangeline Shallcross, Braeden Williams, Julia Baba, Ralph Whicker, Poppy Huyton, and Lee Wright.

CHARITY APPEALS DURING THE AUTUMN TERM

The sum of £74.18 was collected through selling poppies, and £59.00 was raised by selling Christmas cuddly toys for Willowbrook Hospice. Many thanks for your support in helping these worthy causes.

STATUTORY ASSESSMENTS

A meeting for parents of Year 2 pupils in Ladybirds and Dragonflies to explain the process, give information and answer questions regarding the end of Key Stage 1 Assessments has been arranged for **MONDAY 5th FEBRUARY at 5.00 pm.** The meeting will last one hour and will take place in the school hall. Year 2 children will complete Teacher Assessments during the Spring and Summer terms and these will be reported to the Local Authority and Department for Education.

Children in Year 6 will complete end of Key Stage 2 statutory assessments starting on **MONDAY 14th MAY 2018** and finishing on **FRIDAY 18th MAY 2018.** Assessments for all other year groups will take place during May and June.

Under no circumstances will any requests for absences be authorised during this period of testing.

SCHOOL UNIFORM REMINDER

- Parents are reminded that children should **not** wear decorative hair bands or bows to school as they are not part of our school uniform, as outlined in the school prospectus. (Ribbons should be discreet and in school colours).
- Earrings are not permitted in school.
- Please ensure that children have sufficient warm clothing during this term as they will be out on the playground daily.
- Coats, hats, scarves and gloves and other items of school uniform should be marked clearly with children's names to assist with identification in case of loss (no football or designer logos please).
- Parents are reminded that our School Uniform Policy is that **ONLY** red school coats or plain coats in the same shade of red are to be worn for school.
- Please ensure that children wear plain black shoes/trainers to school.
- A full winter PE kit, including trainers and pumps, plain black tracksuit bottoms and red sweatshirt should be left in school for the half-term. (No sporting or designer logos please). Kits should be kept in school pump bags, not backpacks, as we do not have sufficient storage in the classrooms.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT.

Mrs. M. Keating
Headteacher



Online Safety Newsletter: Jan 2018

BBC launches 'Own It' website

'Own It' is a website for 9 to 12 year olds to help them get the most out of being online. It covers everything from online privacy and avoiding malware to dealing with everyday dilemmas children face online. 'Own It' will work with an advisory network of partners to help ensure it covers a wide range of topics and issues affecting children online. <https://www.bbc.com/ownit>

Do you know the online safety lingo?

CEOP - Child Exploitation and Online Protection dedicated to eradicating the sexual abuse of children.

Acronyms

182: I hate you

WYCM: Will you call me

#WholsSam – start a conversation




The National Crime Agency (NCA) have conducted an online survey which showed that while the majority of parents speak to their children regularly, **over 30% had not spoken to their children about online safety in the last month.** The NCA have produced a short

animation narrated by a fictional character called Sam, an adult who goes online to abuse children, with the hashtag #WholsSam to show how offenders attempt to build relationships with young people online. <https://youtu.be/AOu5BLGNG9c>

Ofcom Report


Ofcom's latest report examines children's media use. It provides detailed evidence on media use, attitudes and understanding among children and young people. The report also includes findings relating to parents' views about their children's media use, and the ways that parents seek – or decide not – to monitor or limit use of different types of media. **More 3-4s, 5-7s and 8-11s are online than in 2016.**

<https://www.ofcom.org.uk/research-and-data/media-literacy-research/childrens/children-parents-2017>




3-4s

- 1% have their own smartphone, 21% have their own tablet.
- 96% watch TV on a TV set, for around 15h a week
- 41% watch TV on other devices, mostly on a tablet
- 40% play games, for nearly 6h a week.
- 53% go online, for nearly 8h a week.
- 71% of these mostly use a tablet to go online.
- 48% use YouTube, of which 52% of these say cartoons are their favourite thing to watch, 15% say unboxing videos.
- 0% have a social media profile.



5-7s

- 5% have their own smartphone, 35% have their own tablet.
- 95% watch TV on a TV set, for around 13½h a week
- 49% watch TV on other devices, mostly on a tablet
- 66% play games, for nearly 7½h a week.
- 79% go online, for around 9h a week.
- 63% of these mostly use a tablet to go online.
- 71% use YouTube, of which 30% say cartoons are their favourite thing to watch, 18% say funny videos or pranks.
- 3% have a social media profile.
- The TV set is the device they say they would miss the most.



8-11s

- 39% have their own smartphone, 52% have their own tablet.
- 95% watch TV on a TV set, for nearly 14h a week.
- 55% watch TV on other devices, mostly on a tablet
- 81% play games, for around 10h a week.
- 94% go online, for nearly 13½h a week.
- 46% of these mostly use a tablet to go online, 22% a mobile.
- 81% use YouTube, of which 23% say funny videos or pranks are their favourite thing to watch, 18% say music videos.
- 23% have a social media profile.
- The TV set or tablet are the devices they would miss the most.