



St Anne's Catholic Primary School

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Headteacher: Mr. L Anderson

**Friday
15th
Decembre
2023**

St Anne's Catholic Primary School - Weekly News

Highlights of the Week



KS2 had a fabulous festive time at the theatre this week and enjoyed the Brindley Theatre's version of Sleeping Beauty



KS2 children gave a wonderful performance after school this week to their families during our Carols round the Crib. Many thanks to Mr Townley from the Archdiocese Schools Singing Programme



EYFS and KS1 have performed their version of the Nativity this week. Well done to all of those involved!

Attendance

Weekly Attendance	
Wales - Mrs Henesy	95%
Scotland - Miss Harrison/Miss Barton	95.22%
Bumblebees - Mrs Feeney	90.33%
Dragonflies - Mrs Daniels	93.67%
Ladybirds - Miss Frodsham	95.52%
Year 3 - Miss Mathias	91.33%
Year 4/3 - Mrs Fogg	89.31%
Year 4 - Miss Williams	96.67%
Year 5 - Mrs Flood	89%
Year 6/5 - Mrs Reale - Smith	90.33%
Year 6 - Miss Hodgkiss	89.67%

**Our school target is
92.4%**

Green met the target or exceeded, Yellow just below, Red below.

**Our overall school
percentage this week is:**



Well done to Year 4 who are this week's attendance winners with 96.67%
Which class will get 100% attendance next week?

Extra—Curricular Activities

Good Grub Club and Spanish Club must be booked and paid for directly with providers (see below).

New clubs will resume after the Christmas break w/c 8/1/23.

Day	Club	Year Group	Time
Monday	Football	Year 3 and 4 (LKS2)	3.10pm - 4.10pm
	Dance	Year 6/5	3.10pm - 4.10pm
Tuesday	Basketball/Netball	Waiting list From Autumn	3.10pm - 4.10pm
	Club - Mr Rutter to be confirmed		
Wednesday	Knowsley Catholic Children's Choir	St Columba's Space Centre	4pm—5pm
	Running Bugs 3/1/24	Adult and Child Sessions	3.10pm—4.10pm
	Games	KS1	3.10pm - 4.10pm
Thursday	Good Grub Club	Year 2 and KS2	3.10pm - 4.10pm
Friday	Running Club	Year 3-6	3.10pm - 4.10pm
	Spanish Club with LLA (continued from last term)	Reception — Year 6	3.10pm—4.10pm
	Parent & Child Yoga	Key Stage 2	430pm—5:20pm



Awards



Spelling Shed

1. Year 6, 143 million
2. Year 6/5, 109 million
3. Ladybirds, 19 million

Spelling Shed Pupils

1. Miller H, 50 million
2. Levi S, 42 million
3. Joseph B, 27million



Reading Plus

Hall of fame 50,000 words

Jacob G

Most Combos

Year 6 — Jessica W
Year 6/5 — Amber M/Jacob G
Year 5 — Zack R/Leo K
Year 4 — Joshua G
Year 4/3 — Harry Mc/Livia B
Year 3 — Connie E

Notices

Staff News

On Wednesday Miss Kewn will be leaving us and we welcome back Mrs Bromley to our Nursery. We wish Miss Kewn all the love in the world and thank her for her amazing dedication and hard work.

Notices

Knowsley Catholic Children's Choir

12 of our children who regularly attend the KCCC each Wednesday at St Columba's Space Centre are attending the Cathedral on Saturday 16th December and we would like to wish them good luck!

Year 3 and Year 4 Workshop Thursday 4th January

A Times Table workshop will be taking place for Year 3, 4/3 and Year 4. This is to support your child and to make learning times tables fun. The Multiplication Tables Check is an assessment that is taken at the end of Year 4 in June and is an online test where the pupils are asked 25 questions. This course is 1.30pm–3pm and a letter will be coming home with your child.

UKS2 Ancient Greece Day

On Wednesday 24th January, UKS2 are having an Ancient Greece day. The children may come to school dressed up if they wish. As part of the day, children will be taking part in a drama workshop. The cost of the workshop is £4 per child. This is now available on Parent Pay.

School Nurse

If parents have any concerns regarding your child's health you can complete this online parent request for support form.

[0-25 Service in Knowsley - Request for support - Wirral Community Health and Care NHS Foundation Trust \(wchc.nhs.uk\)](#)

Knowsley Family and Community Education

Knowsley Family and Community Education are holding courses in the New Year, in January, February and March across Huyton, Prescot and Halewood. **All courses are FREE if you earn below £31,600 per year. (Earnings are based on your earnings alone, not household income).** Please keep an eye on the app as this has been sent out as an attachment.

School Dinners

Monday 18th December we will be on **week 1** of our school dinner menu, which can be viewed on the app or school website:

<https://stannesprimaryknowsley.co.uk/about-us/school-meals-menu/>



School Dinners

MEAL CHANGE - Wednesday 3d January 2024

Instead of Chicken Korma with rice the meal choice will be Beef/Cheese burgers on a Didi roll with Crisscuts and Beans.



Notices

Message from our Joint Chair of Governors - Mrs Sianne Usher with regards to our children who attend the weekly Knowsley Catholic Children's Choir

On Wednesday 6th December , I had the pleasure of accompanying 12 of our St Anne's pupils who attend Knowsley Catholic School Choir to the Metropolitan Cathedral for the annual Schools Advent Service.

The Advent service retold the Christmas Story through word, song and drama and the children had a special part to play as they were part of the main choir singing to hundreds of school children from across the Archdiocese.

My favourite part of the service was when the choir sang Coldplay's 'A sky full of stars' whilst an 8-foot star was lowered from the ceiling, and everyone waved stars around.

The St Anne's children once again made the school extremely proud with their effort, enthusiasm, and exemplary behaviour. I look forward to going with them again on the 16th December when they will sing at the Cathedral's Celebration of Christmas event.

Mrs Sianne Usher

Community

Sisters of St Mary Namur

There are a number of evening sessions taking place in January/February 2024 including:

- Space for the Unimaginable 2024
- Pilgrims of Word and Spirit 2024

Please contact Sr. Bridget Folkard for more information or to book a place.

Srbridget.folkard@googlemail.com
07598756557

"Season's Greetings"

in other languages spoken by refugees and asylum seekers at

Knowsley SHARe



Albanian: Gëzuar festat

Azerbaijani: Bayramınız mübarək

Arabic: اجازة سعيدة (ajazat saeida)

Farsi: فصل خوش آمد می گوید (ta'tilaat mobaarak)

French: Meilleurs vœux

Kurdish: Cejnên pîroz, جێلانی کریسمه‌یه‌ به هه‌ژدی بێت

Somali: Fasax wanags

Turkish: Mutlu tatiller

Ukrainian: щасливих свят (shchaslyvykh svyat)

One of the main languages is Tigrinya ነጽቲታ ኣለዎም

Tamil: நல்வாழ்த்துக்கள்

Pashto: د موسم مبارکي

Portuguese: Saudações das estações

Spanish: Saludos de temporada



Notices



CHRISTMAS MOVIE MORNING



BRING YOUR FAVOURITE TEDDY!

Children in Reception and Nursery are having a Christmas Movie Morning
Wednesday 20th December

Please bring your favourite teddy to school so you can enjoy our Christmas film together!

Snacks will be provided and will be safe for all to eat



Santa Dash / Christmas Jumper Day —Tuesday 19th December

Please wear your Christmas Jumper to take part in the Santa Dash! You can also wear your Santa hat or Christmas hair band to spread some Christmas Cheer!

#SGSantaDash #santasmiles



—CHRISTMAS—FUN—RUN

How many of our running club can we get to attend this event on 27th December with an adult and to wear red for our school?

Notices

Christmas Parties

Tuesday 19th is Christmas Party day, can the children please bring their own small snack and drink. Please bear in mind that this will be after their Christmas lunch! Children will be wearing their Christmas Jumpers this day and may also have a Santa Hat or Christmas headband.



Santa

We would like to thank Santa for visiting our school this week and taking time out of his busy schedule!

A BIG THANK YOU!

Many thanks to Aria's Dad and his workplace for the generous donation of the Christmas Tree this year!



We're pleased to announce that, from 22nd January 2024 St Anne's Catholic Primary School will be going fully cashless. Cash payments will no longer be accepted in school.

ParentPay accepts payments online for items such as dinner money, school trips, after school clubs, books and much more. Using a secure website, you will be able to pay online using your credit/debit card or continue to make cash payments at PayPoint stores.

WHY USE PARENTPAY...

Convenient & transparent

- Paying online makes life easier for everyone!
- Saves our school time to focus on teaching.

Trusted

- ParentPay has been used by schools for over 15 years...
- Used by over 3 million parents across the UK.

Safe & Secure

- Removing cash from school helps keep pupils safe.
- Your money is guaranteed to be spent on what it was intended for!
- Reduces the risk of money being mis-placed.

Helps us to help your children

Going cashless helps us focus on what's important – your children.

Please ensure that you can access your ParentPay account before 22nd January 2024 to avoid any disruption. Please contact the school office on 0151 477 8260 if you are experiencing issues accessing your account and we will be happy to help.

Thanks for your co-operation and support.

CATCH IT

Germs spread easily. Always carry tissues and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.



BIN IT

Germs can live for several hours on tissues. Dispose of your tissue as soon as possible.



KILL IT

Hands can transfer germs to every surface you touch. Clean your hands as soon as you can.



Thankfully the number of cases of chicken pox in Key Stage 1 and Early Years have not increased on last week and lots of children are returning to school

Admissions

New Nursery Intake 2024—2025

For our nursery intake September 2024-2025 it is so important that your child is baptised in the catholic faith and you have evidence of this. This applies to any places becoming available before this intake. We have reviewed the closing date and applications will now close on **10th March 2024**. If you have sent a form into school please ensure you have a receipt for this. Please ensure you have sent in a copy of the baptismal certificate with your application before the closing date.

Please note our Nursery for September 2023 is now full and there is a waiting list for places.

School Admissions to Reception Class 2024

If your child is to start Reception Class in September 2024 the online portal is now open to make your application via Knowsley School Admissions (see leaflet below). **You must also fill in a Supplementary Information Form which should be handed in to the school office.** The closing date is **15th January 2024**—this is the form in which you indicate if your child has been baptised in the catholic faith.



Parents of pre school children
**It's time to apply for a school reception class place
September 2024 Intake**

Knowsley residents - Apply online by visiting www.knowsley.gov.uk

CLOSING DATE 15TH JANUARY 2024

- If your child's date of birth falls on or between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020, now is the time to apply for a reception class place in school for September 2024.
- There is no automatic transfer from nursery – everyone must apply between 12 September 2023 and 15 January 2024 by completing the application form of the Local Authority in which you live.
- Knowsley residents should apply by accessing the online application portal via the Knowsley website www.knowsley.gov.uk.
- It is the responsibility of the parent/carer to ensure they have read the admission policy of each school they are considering applying for and provided all the information required to support their application – this may include completing a supplementary information form with some individual schools where requested.
- For full information about the application and allocation process and admission policies for individual schools, visit the school admission pages at www.knowsley.gov.uk and access the 'Knowsley Primary Admission Composite Prospectus'.

For further advice, contact Knowsley School Admissions Team

Email: schooladmissions@knowsley.gov.uk

Tel: (0151) 443 5143 / 5142 / 3372



St Anne's Catholic Primary School in the Parish



Prayer and Liturgy

Our Prayer and Liturgy focus is: **Advent 3rd Sunday (Joy)**

Mass times at St Agnes and St Aidan's Church this weekend

Saturday 16th December 2023:
5:30pm Mass

Sunday 17th December 2023:
9:30am Mass, 11:00am Mass



Our RE Topic is: Loving (Christmas)

Our St Anne's Catholic Primary School child focus for next week is: Independence
St Anne pray for us and our Parish—St Agnes pray for us.

- There will be a mass at St Agnes and St Aidan's Church for Year 4 on Sunday 7th January and 4th February 2024 11am-12pm.
- Also if anyone in Key Stage 2 would like to serve on the alter please contact the Parish Office.

Christmas in a box

Christmas in a box has been coming home for most classes for the past few weeks—please send us in your pictures of this special time of when families can take time together and think of the Christmas Story and what Christmas truly means.

A message from Mr Anderson

Dear families,

What a lovely week inside and outside of school celebrating all the joys of our Nativity performances. Everyone who took part was amazing. The singing, the actions, the readings were just out of this world—we are so proud of all the children. A big thank you to all the staff and families who helped make these events so special and memorable.

Wednesday was a busy time after school in which we had our 'Grotto' and stalls. We had planned even more but sickness deprived us of a number of stalls. However, a big thank you to our PTA and staff who made this event possible. After our 'Grotto and stalls', lots of our children returned to school to perform 'Carols around the Crib' which made for a wonderful festive evening — again thanks to everyone: children/families who returned; Mr Townley and our staff for returning after hours.

Next week, we will continue with our countdown to Christmas Day during Advent—we are expecting some special visitors next week and of course on Tuesday we have our Christmas lunch and jumper day. Finishing with our special whole school gathering (full school uniform) on the last day.

Have a lovely weekend

Mr L Anderson

Dates for Your Diary

	What's On
December 2023	
Tuesday 19th December	Christmas Jumper Day/Christmas Dinner/Santa Dash
Wednesday 20th December	Final Day—Full School Uniform
Wednesday 27th December	Cafod Fun Run Wavertree Sports Centre (am)
Wednesday 3rd January 2024	School Reopens to all children
Wednesday 3rd January 2024	Liverpool Running Bugs After School Session Child and Parent 3:10-4:10pm
Friday 12th January	Y6 Start Swimming Sessions at Volair (pm)
Wednesday 24th January	UKS2 Ancient Greek Day
Tuesday 6th February	Safer Internet Day
Monday 13th May 2024	SATs Week for our Year 6s
Sunday 16th June 2024	School invite to the Mystery Junior parkrun 9am start
Monday 17th June -23rd June 2024	National Sports Week
Saturday 21st June	School takeover of Knowsley parkrun Stadt Moers 9am start
Saturday 13th July 2024	Summer Fair 12—3pm

SATs week for year 6 will be week beginning **13th May 2024**. Children will have plenty of support and preparation before the week arrives. Please ensure your child is in school for this week, as always no holidays will be permitted.

The PTA will collect for Foodbank on the last Friday of every month. Thank you in advance for any donations.



St Anne's Parents Association

Dates for your diary

Foodbank Collection Last Friday of every month

Wednesday 25th Oct Halloween
Early Years In School Time - Costume welly walk & Party
KS1 Disco 4-5pm
KS2 Disco 5:15 - 6:15pm

Friday 1st Dec Own clothes for Chocolate & Bottles

Wednesday 6th December Christmas Evening
Ks1 3:30 - 5:15 Movie
Ks2 6pm - on Bingo

Wednesday 13th December
Grotto straight after school with Christmas Market
followed by Carol Concert at 6:30pm

Wednesday 7th February- Valentine's Disco
KS1 Disco 4-5pm
KS2 Disco 5:15 - 6:15pm

Friday 9th Feb Early Years St Valentine's Celebration
in school time

Friday 15th March - Own Clothes Day wear Green for Easter Eggs

Wednesday 20th March - Easter Bingo
2 Sessions 3:30pm and 6pm

Saturday 13th July - Summer fair 12pm - 3pm

