



St Anne's Catholic Primary School

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**Friday
1st
Decembre
2023**

St Anne's Catholic Primary School - Weekly News

Highlights of the Week



Linked to the Curriculum, LKS2 took part in Victorian Living History Day. They took part in activities led by Altru Drama and looked at industry in and around Huyton during Victorian times.



Year 5 have been learning about climate change and discussing ways in which they can help to combat [#GlobalWarming](#) [#sacpskpshe](#) [#COP28](#) [#ClimateCrisis](#)

We have added a hint of blue to our uniform this week to celebrate Saint Andrews Day 30th November—Patron Saint of Scotland and rovers.



Attendance

Weekly Attendance	
Wales - Mrs Henesy	96.67%
Scotland - Miss Harrison/Miss Barton	93.04%
Bumblebees - Mrs Feeney	92%
Dragonflies - Mrs Daniels	93.33%
Ladybirds - Miss Frodsham	97.93%
Year 3 - Miss Mathias	97.67%
Year 4/3 - Mrs Fogg	96.43%
Year 4 - Miss Williams	95.71%
Year 5 - Mrs Flood	96.33%
Year 6/5 - Mrs Reale - Smith	97.59%
Year 6 - Miss Hodgkiss	97%

Our school target is
97%

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

Our overall school percentage this week is:
95.8%



Well done to **Ladybirds** who are this week's attendance winners with 97.93%
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).

Gaelic football for UKS2 with Shane Ryan on a Wednesday 3:10pm-4:10pm.

Clubs will finish for Christmas w/c 12/12/23 and 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	Years 5 and 6 (UKS2)	3.10pm - 4.10pm
	Christmas Choir Club with Miss Frodsham	Years 4, 5 and 6	3.10pm—4.10pm
Wednesday	St Columbas Choir	St Columba's Space Centre	4pm—5pm
	Running Bugs Free just turn up with your child Christmas Jumpers	Adult and Child Sessions	3.10pm—4.10pm
	Multi Games	KS1	3.10pm - 4.10pm
	Gaelic Football (continuing to February half term)	UKS2	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—520pm



Awards



Spelling Shed

1. Year 6, 235 million
2. Year 6/5, 176 million
3. Year 4, 40 million

Spelling Shed Pupils

1. Jacob B, 150 million
2. Freya P, 103 million
3. Joshua G, 36 million



Reading Plus—Most Combos

Year 6 - Oliver L
Year 6/5 - George H
Year 5 - Oliver M
Year 4 - Joshua G
Year 4/3 - Bobby S
Year 3 - Connie E

Notices

Mobile Phones

Only children who have parental consent to make their own way to and from school are allowed to bring their mobile devices into school. This is to ensure their safety to allow parents/carers to make contact with their children during their journey if necessary. Mobile phones **must** be switched off when children enter the school grounds and kept in their bag/pocket. They must then be handed in at their classroom where this will be recorded on a sheet, children will then sign it out at home time. Phones can be switched back on when children leave the grounds. If your child is attending an Extra Curricular after school club their phone will be taken to the office to collect at 4.10pm, if they are attending Wraparound Club they will be collected by a member of staff.

Many thanks for your continued support with this matter.

Notices



Christmas Pantomime

Children in KS1 and KS2 will be going to the Brindley Theatre, Runcorn this year to see the Pantomime 'Sleeping Beauty'. KS1 will be going on Friday 8th December, KS2 on Tuesday 12th December. You can make payment for tickets on Parentpay from Monday and the final date for payment is Friday 1st December. Please also submit permission via the school app.

School Dinners

Monday 4th December we will be on **week 2** of our school dinner menu, which can be viewed on the app or school website:

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



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 will be available on Parent Pay when we return to school on 3rd January 2024.

Year 6 Heaven Sent Live Nativity

On Friday 8th December, Year 6 are going to visit Heaven Sent. This will be an opportunity for the children to learn about the Christmas story. We are asking each child to pay £5.00 to cover the cost of the coach and this is now available on Parent Pay.

School Christmas Choir

For those children currently attending the School Christmas Choir there will be a performance for families at Huyton Library on the 15th December 1—1:30pm

Carols around the crib — KS2

The children have been working on their performance with Mr Townley from the Archdiocese and they are looking forward to perform a Carol Concert to their families at 6.30pm on Wednesday 13th December. This is taking place outside around the Crib weather permitting.

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 \(wchc.nhs.uk\)](https://www.wchc.nhs.uk)

There is a school nurse drop in on Tuesday 5th December 2-3pm please book this through the school office.

Notices

A BIG THANK YOU!

A big thank you to Brian McElhinney for his generous donation and for sponsoring our running bibs here at St Anne's Catholic Primary School.

Running Bugs - Wednesday 6th December

Last session before Christmas, to spread some Christmas cheer, please bring your Santa hat to help you run faster!

Friday 8th December — LKS2 Rejoice Assembly

We are inviting families to our LKS2 Rejoice Assembly at 245pm in the hall. This will be linked to the RE topic: Gifts.

Community

Christmas Appeal



Can you share some Christmas joy with refugees living in Knowsley, by supporting our Christmas Appeal with donations of the following new items?

Clothing

Hats
Gloves
Scarves
Socks
Underwear

Toiletries

Gift Sets for
men and
women
Individual
Toiletries

Other Items

Colouring pencils
Colouring Book
Felts
Notepads
Small cuddly toys
Sweets



Thank You



"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 کریسمست به هه‌ڤی بێت

Somali: Fasax wanags

Turkish: Mutlu tatiller

Ukrainian: щасливих свят (shchaslyvykh svyat)

One of the main languages is Tigrinya ነቕቲታ ለጸሎት

Tamil: நல்வாழ்த்துக்கள்

Pashto: د موسم مبارکي

Portuguese: Saudações das estações

Spanish: Saludos de temporada



PTA

KS2 Bingo Wednesday 6th December 6pm - 7pm — Eventbrite

Christmas themed Bingo for KS2 children and their families. Have your dabbers at the ready, £1.00 entry per person and please pay at the door. There will be a link for Eventbrite to reserve tickets that will go live Saturday 9am and will sent via the app. This is on a first come, first serve basis and will be capped at 120 people.

Christmas Movie Night

Please pay £5 on entrance or hand to Class Teacher in advance (please clearly mark the envelope including name and class).



Santa Dash — Friday 8th December

During our Daily Mile we are going to be holding our very own Santa Dash! Please bring a Santa hat or Christmas hair band to get in the Christmas spirit!

National Santa Dash / Christmas Jumper Day — Tuesday 19th December

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

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**

LKS2 Rejoice Assembly Friday 8th December 2:45pm

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

Saturday 2nd December 2023:
5:30pm Mass

Sunday 4th December 2023:
9:30am Mass, 11:00am Mass



Our RE Topic is: Loving

Our St Anne's Catholic Primary School child focus for next week is: Spiritual
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 3rd December, 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

It is that time of year already! Christmas in a box has been coming home for most classes this week—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,

We are now in December and on our way to preparing for Christmas through Advent. A big thank you to all who contributed to the foodbank last week. Father Anton collected donations on Monday and brought them to the local foodbank.

Next week we will have lit the first candle on the Advent Wreath and our time for preparing for Christmas will have started. Next week also sees our choir getting out into the community and singing, we wish them all the luck in the world and we know they will spread Christmas joy everywhere. Please remember others in our prayers at this special time.

On Saturday 25th November, we had children representing our school and Knowsley at an international X country event at Sefton Park—well done Isla, Isaac, Noah, Gio, Brody and Colin you were all amazing. We also had 9 children from Year 4 and Year 3 take part in an Athletics session at Kirkby High School yesterday. Well done to all who represented our school. Unfortunately, our Y4 football against Malvern was cancelled due to a frozen pitch but we are aiming for this to take part at our school next Thursday with the same children who were expecting to play yesterday—fingers crossed the weather is mild.

Next Wednesday we also have our PTA running some wonderful events—information should be inside this newsletter.

Have a lovely weekend

Mr L Anderson

Dates for Your Diary

	What's On
December 2023	
Wednesday 6th December	Christmas Movie Night KS1 3:30—5:15 pm, Bingo KS2 6pm onwards
Friday 8th December	Year 6 Heaven Sent Live Nativity
Friday 8th December	National Santa Dash—bring in your Christmas Hat
Friday 8th December	Lower Key Stage 2 Rejoice Assembly 2.45pm parents invited
Friday 8th December	Key Stage 1 at the Brindley Pantomime Runcorn
Tuesday 12th December	Key Stage 2 at the Brindley Pantomime Runcorn
Wednesday 13th December	KS1 Nativity for Year 1 families 2pm
Wednesday 13th December	After School Grotto with KS2 Carol Concert 6.:30pm
Wednesday 13th December	Carols around the Crib 6:30pm KS2 Children invited back to sing
Thursday 14th December	KS1 Nativity for Year 2 families 9:30am
Thursday 14th December	EYFS Nativity 2.15pm
Friday 15th December	EYFS Nativity 9.30 am
Friday 15th December	School Christmas Choir to sing at Huyton Library 1 - 1:30pm
Tuesday 19th December	Christmas Jumper Day/Christmas Dinner/Santa Dash
Wednesday 20th December	Final Day—Full School Uniform
Wednesday 24th January	UKS2 Ancient Greek Day
Tuesday 6th February	Safer Internet Day

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.

Journey in Love

A meeting took place on the 28th November to provide Parents and Carers with more information on what is taught in school for RSHE (Relationship Sex Health Education).

The programme we are currently undertaking is a 'Journey in Love' which is a developmental programme for children in a primary setting. Relationship and Sex Education (RSE) is taught both discretely and within the Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE) curriculum lessons. Some aspects of the RSHE curriculum may be touched upon in other lessons as it shares links with Religious Education, Science and Physical Education. The presentation is now on our website.

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

