



St Anne's Catholic Primary School

Living and working as Jesus taught us!

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Headteacher: Mr. L Anderson

**Friday
20th
December
2024**

St Anne's Catholic Primary School - Weekly News

Highlights of the Week



The Reception classes have been taking part in a project linked to our RE topic where we have gathered items to make hampers for people in our community. We have been blown away by the generosity of parents/carers to make this happen and supporting our children in learning the true meaning of Christmas.

The children have ended the week with their Christmas parties and dancing!



EYFS had their first Nativity this week! It was such a pleasure to watch and bring the true meaning of Christmas to life.

Attendance

Weekly Attendance	
Scotland - Mrs Feeney	87.27 %
Wales - Mrs Henesy	97.83%
Bumblebees - Miss Harrison	88.67 %
Dragonflies - Mrs Daniels	86.33%
Ladybirds - Miss Frodsham	96.55 %
Year 3 - Mrs Fogg	96.13%
Year 4/3 - Miss Williams	96.67%
Year 4 - Miss Raynor	98.15%
Year 5 - Mrs Williams	92.86%
Year 6/5 - Mrs Reale-Smith	93.33%
Year 6 - Miss Hodgkiss	99.00%
Whole School	94.00%

WHEEL OF FORTUNE 100% Attenders



Well done to **Year 6** who are this weeks attendance winners with 99.00%

Which class will win 100% attendance next week?

Our school target is : **97.00%**
Our overall school percentage this week: **94.00%**

Clubs

All clubs have finished and will return the week beginning 13th January 2025.



KS2 Christmas Carols at St Agnes & St Aidan's Church

Well done to the children who attended St Agnes and St Aidan's Church for the Carol Service on Tuesday 17th December. Thank you to our families for attending.

Comment from Mr Townley - Choral Director

It remains a great joy to visit St Anne's Catholic Primary School on a Friday afternoon! Children and staff alike are highly engaged and it is always noticeable just how much the pupils treat singing seriously and reap the rewards! Again, we had a small group visit the Cathedral for the Schools Advent Service and they more than pulled their weight in the choir of 850. This year the school's Carol Concert has relocated to church, the children adapted well and they made the occasion as enjoyable as it always is!

Early Bird Breakfast Club

We are offering an Early Bird Breakfast Club starting on January 7th 2025 from 7.30am—8.40am, initially this will be for 15 places.

The Early Bird Breakfast Club **MUST** be booked on the app a minimum 72 hours in advance for staffing purposes and will be at a charge of £5.00 per child and £4.00 per sibling, per session.

Please ensure that you choose **EARLY BIRD BREAKFAST CLUB** for this facility on the app.

An example of booking would be: Book Thursday evening for a place on Monday morning at 7.30am.

If you have not booked you will be refused entry due to Health & Safety procedures.

Mad Science after school club

This club will begin in the first week back to school on **Wednesday 8th January**. It is the **ONLY** club that will begin in the first week. It will finish at 4.10pm and children should be collected from outside the school office.

Please note that this club is now full. If you have not done so already, please can you send your

Thank you!

Thank you to a grandparent of one of our families for their kind donation which allowed us to purchase our beautiful Christmas tree and Christmas Wreath. Thank you Mr Holmes!



CAFOD FUN RUN

CAFOD Fun Run taking place in the Mystery Park, Wavertree on the 27th December - 11am start—how many of our school community can we get out and take part in the red of St Anne's Catholic Primary School?

Notices

Children's University

As a school we attend the Children's University Ceremony each year in June/July and graduates are rewarded due to their commitment and dedication to clubs they attend, whether that be inside or outside school.

If your child attends clubs outside of school, please encourage the providers to be affiliated with Children's University to count towards their awards. Each provider will have a code to show that they are affiliated.

Credits are collected from September to the end of March.

SATs Year 6 reminder

This is just a reminder for families that children in Year 6 (cohort) will have their SATs this year, as a result the best possible attendance is extremely important.

The tests themselves will begin **Monday 12th May 2025**. Please do not book holidays during this time - HOLIDAYS SHOULD BE BOOKED DURING HALF TERM AND THE SIX WEEKS OF SUMMER. Many thanks for your continued support.

School Dinners

Tuesday 7th January will be WEEK 1 which you can view on our website and app.

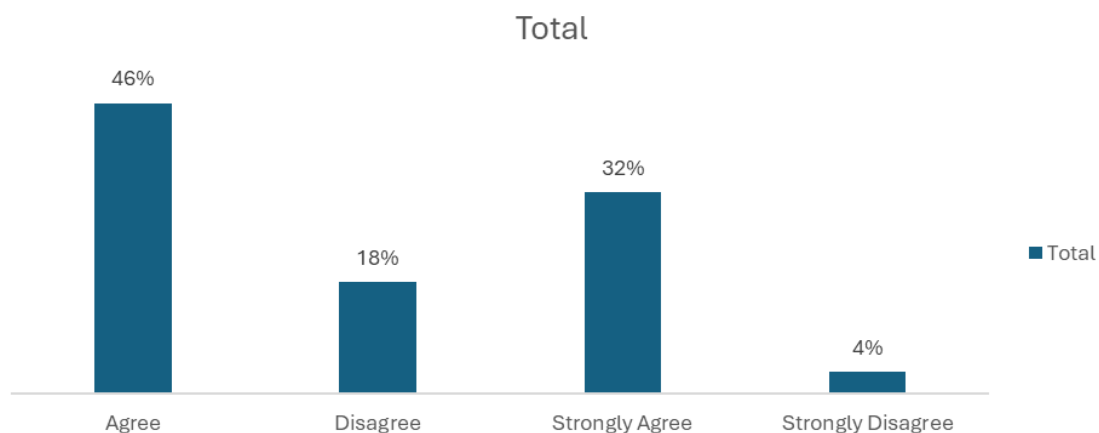
<https://stannesprimaryknowsley.co.uk/about-us/school-meals-menu/>



Parent Questionnaire July 2024

As the weeks progress, we will be addressing each point mentioned in our summer questionnaire.

As mentioned last week we always do our best in everything in school. This includes trying to resolve any concerns or issues that are raised by parents/carers. Unfortunately, sometimes the outcomes of our investigations are different to those hoped for by parents/carers.



The school effectively addresses any concerns or issues raised by parents

Prayer and Religious Education



Prayer and Liturgy

Our Prayer and Liturgy focus W/C 7th January is: **Happiness**

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

Saturday 21st December 2024:

5:30pm Mass

Sunday 22nd December 2024:

10.30am

There will be one Sunday Mass only during the Winter

If anyone in Key Stage 2 would like to serve on the alter please contact the Parish Office.

Our St Anne's Catholic Primary School child focus for next week is: **Encourage**

St Anne pray for us and our Parish—St Agnes pray for us

Christmas Mass Times



Parishes of St Agnes & St Aidan

Saturday 21st December: 5.30pm

Sunday 22nd December: 10.30am

Tuesday 24th December: Christmas Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord 5.30pm/8.30pm

Wednesday 25th December: Christmas Day Family Mass 10.30am

Saturday 28th December: 5.30pm

Sunday 29th December: 10.30am

Wednesday 1st January 2025: Solemnity of Mary Mother of God Service

Letter from Mr Anderson

Dear families,

As we approach the end of another remarkable term, I am delighted to reflect on the festive events that have brought joy and unity to our school. The EYFS Nativity performances impressed the audiences of our Nursery and Reception class families, while our Key Stage 2 pupils performed so well with their Carol Concert at St Agnes and St Aidan's Church. Our Final Christmas Assembly and the much-anticipated Christmas Dinner were resounding successes, with the latter being particularly enjoyed by our pupils this year (which we are really proud of).

In this season of reflection, I am compelled to express my profound gratitude. Your children, who are gifts in themselves, have demonstrated commendable effort throughout the year—a testament to their resilience and your support. I encourage you all to take a moment to acknowledge their achievements and to contemplate the true essence of Christmas.

I extend my heartfelt appreciation to all our families for their generous contributions to our school during this period. As we embark on the holiday break, please prioritise rest and family time, while also embracing the opportunity to explore the significance of the very first Christmas—a narrative your children are well-equipped to share.

Finally, I would like to convey my sincere thanks to our dedicated staff for their tireless efforts and commitment this term.

God bless you all and we look forward to seeing you all again at the normal times on Tuesday 7th January 2025—Merry Christmas to you all and a Happy New Year.

Mr L Anderson
Head Teacher

Dates for Your Diary

	What's On
Friday 27th December 2024	CAFOD RUN—Wavertree 11am
Monday 6th January 2025	INSET day School Closed to Children
Tuesday 7th January 2025	School opens 8.40am
Thursday 16th January 2025	Spring Party Census Day—Chinese New Year
Friday 31st January 2025	EYFS Heroes and Helpers Day
Friday 7th February 2024	Whole school number day - wear your favourite number on your uniform
Friday 14th February 2025	PTA Valentines Disco pm
Friday 14th February 2025	School closes for HALF TERM
Monday 17th February 2025 - Friday 21st February 2025	HALF TERM
Monday 24th February 2025	School opens 8. 40am
Thursday 6th March 2025	World Book Day themed meal
Wednesday 12th March 2025	Ladybirds Wild and Well
Thursday 13th March 2025	Dragonflies Wild and Well
Thursday 13th March 2025	Parent Partnership—Phonics & Reading—children invited 4—5pm
Friday 14th March 2025	Bumblebees Wet and Wild
Monday 17th March	St Patricks Day
Friday 11th April 2025	EYFS Easter Bonnet Parade 1pm
Friday 11th April 2025	School closes 1.30pm
Tuesday 22nd April 2025	School opens 8.40am
Wednesday 23rd April 2025	St George's Day
Thursday 24th April 2025	Scotland Wild and Well
Friday 25th April 2025	Wales Wild and Well
Wednesday 23rd April 2025 - Friday 25th April 2025	Colomendy Trip Year 5
Monday 12th May - Thursday 15th May 2025	Year 6 SATS
Thursday 15th May 2025	Afternoon Tea—Census Day
Thursday 22nd May 2025	School Closes
Monday 19th May 2025	New to Reception Parent Meeting 5.00pm
Tuesday 20th May 2025	New to Nursery Parent Meeting 5.00pm
Thursday 22nd May 2025	School closes HALF TERM
Friday 23rd May 2025	INSET DAY

Dates for Your Diary

	What's On
Monday 5th May 2025	Bank Holiday
Monday 26th May 2025 - Friday 6th June 2025	HALF TERM
Monday 9th June 2025	School opens
Friday 13th June 2025	Imagine That—Reception Trip
Saturday 14th June 2025	First Holy Communion 10am and 1230pm
Sunday 15th June 2025 - Wednesday 18th June 2025	PGL Year 6
Friday 18th July 2025	LKS2 Living History Day
Tuesday 22nd July 2025	School closes 1.30pm

Parents Association

We wanted to say a big thank you to our PTA for all their efforts this term—they have been amazing in the way that they have organised events for our children to raise money for our school. A big thank you to all our parents who have helped out this year or who have contributed to events.

A special thanks to Emma Jones, Lesley and Danielle for their endless endeavours.

From the monies that have been raised we are hoping to see this evident on our playground very soon. We have had playground specialists companies out who have looked at our playground and drawn up some basic plans—watch this space.

Thank you

Can we also thank Cllr Dever for assisting us recently at our Christmas Fair—your help was very much appreciated as was the help of our good friends at Malvern Primary School—thank you.

Online Safety Newsletters

Our Online Safety Newsletters can be found on the app and on our website:

<https://stannesprimaryknowsley.co.uk/about-us/newsletters/>

Breakfast Club and Wraparound Club

Please be aware if you book Breakfast Club/Wraparound Club and your child does NOT attend you will still be charged - so please cancel to avoid this charge.

The PTA will collect for the local Foodbank on the last Friday of every month. Thank you in advance for any donations. Next collection is: 28th January 2025

JUSTHELPING
Registered charity number 1145056

RECYCLE YOUR TREE



TO REGISTER
SCAN HERE!

www.just-helping.org.uk/register-tree

- Registration Opens 15th November 2024
- Registration Closes 8th January 2025
- Collecting 13-17th January 2025

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After costs, Willowbrook Hospice receive 90% and up to 10% will be distributed by Just Helping to other local charities. More information on where your donation goes can be found on our website.

JustHelping supports volunteers, businesses, and charities to contribute to their community and the environment. Our national Christmas tree collection raises essential funds for charities in the local community.



Knowsley Catholic Children's Choir

Wednesdays - 4pm-5pm

Follow the link in text for sign up and details

Do you want your child to sing at the Metropolitan Cathedral this Christmas?

Do you want them to join a vibrant choir led by expert Choral Directors from the Archdiocese of Liverpool Schools Singing Programme?

Knowsley Catholic Children's Choir runs from 4-5pm each Wednesday during term time and is FREE.

Knowsley Catholic Children's Choir operates in Huyton (next to St Columba's Catholic Primary School).

You can find the link in our **USEFUL LINKS** section on the app under **CONTENT**



Parents of pre school children
It's time to apply for a school reception class place
September 2025 Intake

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

CLOSING DATE 15TH JANUARY 2025

- If your child's date of birth falls on or between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021, now is the time to apply for a reception class place in school for September 2025.
- There is no automatic transfer from nursery – everyone must apply between 12 September 2024 and 15 January 2025 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

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