



St Anne's Catholic Primary School

Living and working as Jesus taught us!

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Headteacher: Mr. L Anderson

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St Anne's Catholic Primary School - Weekly News

Highlights of the Week



Alan Ellis visited Year 5 this week and they had an exciting lesson where they explored and created their own VR world!

Good luck to our Year 6 children next week who will be taking their SATS next week you are all superstars!



CONGRATULATIONS



ON COMPLETING THE MANCHESTER MARATHON

A big WELL DONE to Mr Anderson for completing the Belfast Marathon on Sunday 4th May and achieving a PB!

Attendance

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Attendance Wheel 02/05/25

Weekly Attendance W/C 28.04.25	
Bumblebees - Miss Harrison	100.00%
Dragonflies - Mrs Daniels	97.33%
Year 3 - Mrs Fogg	99.33%
Year 6/5 - Mrs Reale - Smith	98.00%
Whole School	96.35%

Theodore P - Bumblebees
Jude D - Year 4
Alfie S - Year 6

Well done to Bumblebees who are this weeks attendance winners with 100%!

Which class will win 100% attendance next week?

Our school target is : **97.00%**

Our overall school percentage this week: **96.35%**

Notices

Day	Club	Year Group	Time
Monday	Dance	Year 1	3.10pm - 4.00pm
	Games	Year 3	3:10pm—4:10pm
Tuesday	JUDO	KS2	3.15pm -4.00pm
	Athletics	KS1	3.10pm - 4.10pm
Wednesday	Violin	LKS2	Collection 3:45pm
	Art Club	Class - Year 4	3.10pm - 4.10pm
	Athletics	UKS2	3.10pm - 4.10pm
	Choir St Columba's	Y2 to Y6	4pm—5pm
Thursday	Athletics	LKS2	3.10pm - 4.10pm
	Family Yoga Games	All Welcome	430pm - 520pm
Friday	Circuit Training / Cross Country	KS2	3.10pm - 4.10pm
	Spanish (with provider)	Reception—Year 6	3.10pm—4.00pm

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Year 1 Phonics Check

Year 1 Phonics check will be taking place between 9th—20th June. Please ensure that your child is in school for the assessments. The assessments are to **give teachers information on how your child is progressing in phonics**. It will help to identify whether your child needs additional support at this stage so that they do not fall behind in this vital early reading skill.

Year 6 Leavers Mass & Assembly

We would like to invite families to celebrate our wonderful Year 6! The Year 6 Leavers Mass will be taking place on **Friday 11th July at 1.30pm** at St Agnes & St Aidan's Church and the Leavers Assembly will be taking place on **Friday 18th July at 130pm** in the school hall.

Children's University Thursday 12th June 9am -12pm approximately

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

The graduation is taking place at Hope University on Thursday 12 June at 9am.

SATs Year 6 Reminder

Year Six SATS are taking place 12th - 15th May. **Children need to arrive between 8.15 and 8.25am each day.**

They may enter through the hall and collect toast on their way to class. The timetable for tests:-

Monday: Grammar, punctuation and spelling test.

Tuesday: Reading test

Wednesday: Maths arithmetic test. Maths reasoning and problem solving test.

Thursday: Maths reasoning and problem solving test.

Nursery and Reception Meetings for Academic Year 25/26

For Nursery and Reception intake for the academic year 2025/2026 we will be holding meetings in our school hall. Here you will meet the staff and gain further insight into our wonderful school.

Reception: Monday 19th May 2025 5.00pm

Nursery: Tuesday 20th May 2025 5.00pm

Booking Clubs

We are now requesting payment BEFORE clubs start. Clubs are booked on a first come first serve basis. As usual a message is sent via the app to state that your booking has been confirmed. **This does not mean your child's place will be secured, it will be secured once payment has been received up front, prior to the club starting.** You will then be contacted by the school office to confirm your child's place. Many thanks for your continued support.

School Dinners

Monday 12th May will be WEEK 1 which you can view on our website and app.

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



LKS2 Library Visit - 19th May

LKS2 are attending an event in the library to meet author 'Guy Bass' on Monday 19th May. They will have the opportunity to purchase one of his books there and have it personally signed

Parkrun Takeover

Once again St Anne's Catholic Primary School will be taking over Stadt Moers parkrun on **Saturday 21st June** a wonderful chance to get out and get active with your family and a chance to mark the end of National Sports Week—stay tuned for more information. We will need families to come along and run/walk together or to volunteer.

School Swap Station

Our new *Swap Station* is a big success, giving children the chance to trade items from their packed lunch and make healthier choices. The children have responded positively, saying they enjoy making swaps and trying new foods. Staff have noticed more children making thoughtful choices at lunchtime, and the initiative is already making a noticeable difference in promoting healthier eating habits. Healthy ideas for your child's lunchbox. <https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/>

Early Bird Breakfast Club

We are offering an Early Bird Breakfast Club 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. **The Early Bird Breakfast Club doors will open at 7:30am to 7:35am, should you arrive after this time, please come to the office and your child will be taken through the building to access the facility.**

Late collection Fees for Wrap Around Club

St Anne's Catholic Primary School will charge for the late collection of a child, this will be charged at **£2.50 for every 5 minutes late (WAC finishes at 5:30pm)**. In the case of no communication from parents or carers, St Anne's Catholic Primary School may refer to our Safeguarding policy and take the appropriate steps.

Breakfast Club and Wraparound Club

Please be aware if you book Breakfast Club and Wraparound Club and your child does NOT attend you will still be charged—so please cancel to avoid this charge via the app or by calling the office.

Year 4 Road Safety Sessions

On the 20th May, Year 4 will be taking part in Road Safety Sessions. The children will focus on pedestrian skills and they will discuss how distractions and peer pressure can have a negative effect whilst crossing the road. They will also explore local road safety issues and share their learning with families.

Focus Week Speak Out Stay Safe NSPCC 12th May - 22nd May

From the 12th May each class in Key Stage 1 and 2 will be looking at resources from the NSPCC—you should have received a letter on this last week.

St Anne's Bake Off



19th May 2025

Our annual 'Bake Off' will be 'VE Day' themed. Children who wish to take part should bake something to celebrate the 80th anniversary of VE day which is on 8th May 2025.

This year, we are requesting that a photograph of your bake, along with a blurb, is submitted via Seesaw to your class teacher on 19th May. Miss Harrison will choose the winning bakes and these will be announced in assembly on Thursday 22nd May.
Good Luck!

Notices

Summer Uniform

Can we please remind you that fleeces are instead of a coat and NOT in place of cardigans or jumpers. Long hair should be tied back, with bobbles and ribbons in school colours. Flowers and other decorations should not be worn for school - they should be saved for 'non-uniform days'.

School Of Sanctuary Award

We are delighted to share that we have achieved the School of Sanctuary award. This award recognises how schools provide a welcoming and inclusive environment, and how they provide for those seeking sanctuary, such as refugees and asylum seekers. Our assessors said that our children's interest, knowledge and awareness of those who find themselves in need was very impressive, and that it was encouraging that future generations hold values of tolerance and equality for all. Well done to our staff and children for their hard work towards this award.

School News on our Website

Please check out our School News on our website <https://stannesprimaryknowsley.co.uk/> on here you can see lots of photographs and news about your child's school life.

Classes next year

We wanted to take the opportunity to address some of the common questions we receive regarding class arrangements at school. It is important to note that, like many schools, we have mixed-age classes in our school. Specifically, we have Dragonflies (Years 1 and 2), Years 3 and 4, and Years 5 and 6. This approach has been carefully considered and implemented to ensure the best possible educational experience for our pupils.

We can assure you that children perform equally well in these mixed-age classes. Our experienced teachers have spent considerable time reviewing the class compositions, taking into account a variety of factors to ensure that each child is placed in an environment that will support their individual needs and foster their academic and social development.

While it is understandable that some children may be separated from their friends, we believe that the benefits of mixed-age classes outweigh this potential challenge as during break and lunch times, the children have ample opportunities to interact, chat, and play with their peers. Additionally, we make a concerted effort to bring the entire cohort together for various activities, such as music lessons and school trips, to maintain a strong sense of community. I hope this provides some clarity and reassurance regarding our classes. Transition will be at the end of term which is weeks away and lots of learning and fun will take place before then.

Easter Reading Challenge

A big WELL DONE to our Easter Reading Challenge winners who received a prize of a voucher!

Seb J - Year 6/5

Ivy T- Bumblebees

Lucy T - Year 6/5

Evie K - Y6

Samuel K - Bumblebees

National Walk to School Week

Walk to School Week is the annual five-day walking challenge and takes place 19-23 May 2025. This year's challenge will see pupils take on The Great Space Walk, encouraging them to travel actively to school every day of the week.

The children will meet various colourful intergalactic friends along the way, pupils will learn about the important reasons to walk or wheel and its benefits for individuals, communities and the planet!

National Sports Week

The week commencing 16th June until 22nd June is National Sports Day—this is the week our Sports Day will be held—we are just waiting confirmation of the date and this will be with you as soon as possible. This is a week in which we will focus on Sports and Healthy Living.

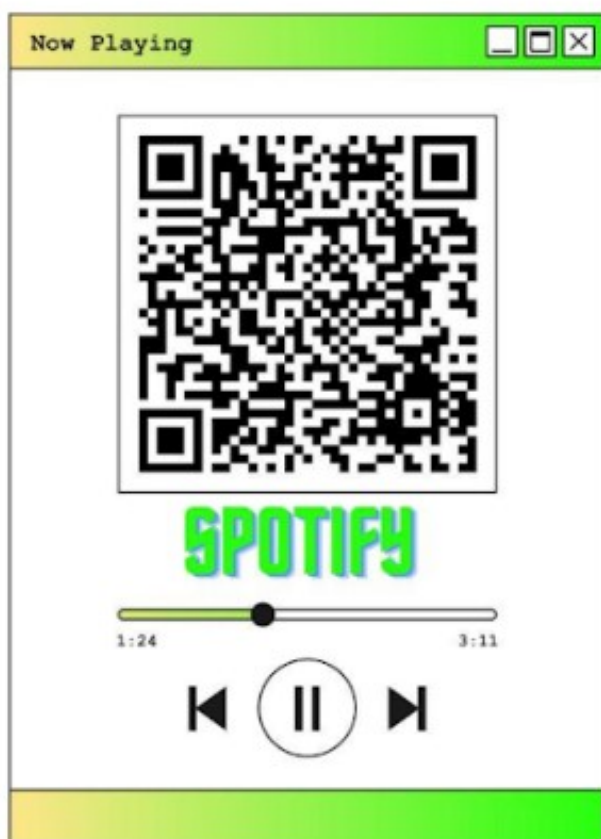
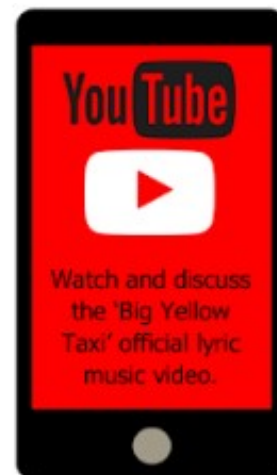
Musician of the Month

Every month is a new opportunity to see what musician we are learning about this month in school.

Perhaps you are a fan or could help your child/children find more out at home!

Stay tuned!

Joni Mitchell



About: Joni Mitchell, born in 1943, is a Canadian-American singer-songwriter, multi-instrumentalist, and painter. As one of the most influential singer-songwriters to emerge from the 1960s folk music circuit, Mitchell became known for her personal lyrics and unconventional compositions which grew to incorporate pop and jazz elements. She has received many accolades, including ten Grammy Awards and induction into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1997.

Genres: Folk, Pop, Jazz and Rock

Active from: 1964-Present

Origin: Fort Macleod, Canada

Books to read...

If you like Joni Mitchell, try...



- Cat Stevens (Yusef Islam)
- Joan Armatrading
- Crosby, Stills and Nash

Prayer and Religious Education



Prayer and Liturgy

Our Prayer and Liturgy focus W/C 12th May is: **Our Lady**

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

Saturday 10th May 2025:

5:30pm Mass

Sunday 11th May 2025:

10.30am

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: **Nurture**

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

Letter from Mr Anderson

Dear families,

Another short week comes to an end with lots to celebrate inside and outside of school. A major celebration was our new Pope being announced yesterday—which is wonderful news.

Our Year 6 children have been immense in all their efforts since they started their educational journey in our school and we know they will all be fantastic next week with their assessments—good luck to all and we know that this is another chance for you to shine.

Over the next number of weeks you may note that we will be starting 'Opal' play which will provide our children with lots more activities to enhance play for them at our school daily. This will be implemented gradually as the year progresses. More literature will follow on this.

Please do keep an eye on events and dates that will be added into the newsletter in the next number of weeks.

Have a lovely weekend and I will look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr L Anderson
Head Teacher

Dates for Your Diary

	What's On
Monday 12th May - Thursday 15th May 2025	Year 6 SATS
Thursday 15th May 2025	Afternoon Tea— Census Day
Monday 19th May - Thursday 22nd May 2025	National Walk to School Week
Monday 19th May 2025	LKS2 Library visit - author Guy Bass
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
Monday 26th May 2025 - Friday 6th June 2025	HALF TERM
Monday 9th June 2025	School opens
9th June—20th June 2025	Year 1 Phonics check—ensure your child attends school
Thursday 12th June 2025	Children's University Graduation @Hope University 9.00am
Friday 13th June 2025	Imagine That—Reception Trip
Saturday 14th June 2025	Year 4 First Holy Communion 10:00am and 12:30pm PHOTOGRAPHER - arriving at church at 9:30am and 12:00pm
Sunday 15th June 2025	Halewood Junior Parkrun
Sunday 15th June 2025 - Wednesday 18th June 2025	PGL Year 6
Saturday 21st June 2025	Stadt Moers Parkrun Takeover
Saturday 28th June 2025	Summer Fair
Friday 11th July 2025	Year 6 Leavers Mass 1:30pm - 2:30pm
Friday 18th July 2025	LKS2 Living History Day
Friday 18th July 2025	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 1.30pm
Tuesday 22nd July 2025	School closes 1.30pm
Saturday 28th February 2026	Nursery Application deadline for 2026

Let's eat SUMMER PARTY DAY



15 MAY

Meatball Pasta & Garlic Bread with Cup-cake - Alternative Jacket Potato

**ONLY
£1**



Online Safety Newsletters

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

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

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: 22nd May 2025