



St Anne's Catholic Primary School

Living and working as Jesus taught us!

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St Anne's Catholic Primary School - Weekly News

Highlights of the Week

This week children from Nursery to Year 6 had an amazing opportunity to meet a real life author Jude Lennon. The children loved hearing Jude's story to become a writer and her amazing books.



Our staff met this week to discuss strategies for improving writing at our school. A huge thanks to the children from Year 6/5 for their ideas for a focus table, they added things which help them to be better writers.

Well done to all the children who participated in the Cross Country events at SMMJ and Newsham Park this week.



Attendance

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Weekly Attendance W/E 26.09.25	
Year 6/5 - Mrs Reale- Smith	97.33%
Year 3 - Mrs Fogg	99.33%
Dragonflies - Mrs Daniels	99.00%
Whole School	95.00%

Attendance Wheel

W/E 26.09.25

Sadie A - Ladybirds
Jasper F - Dragonflies
Aria TP - Year 3

Well done to Year 3 who are this weeks attendance winners with 99.33%!

Which class will win 100% attendance next week?

Our school target is : **97.00%**

Our overall school percentage this week: 95.00%

Clubs

Day	Club	Year Group	Time
Monday	Girls Football	Year 4/5/6	3.10pm - 4.10pm
	Dance	Year 3 & 4	3.10pm - 4.00pm
Tuesday	Football	Year 2	3.10pm - 4.10pm
	Creative Writing	Year 3 - 4	3.10pm - 4.10pm
Wednesday	Football	Year 6	3.10pm - 4.10pm
Thursday	Football	Year 4	3.10pm - 4.10pm
Friday	Cross County Club	Year 3 - 6	3.10pm - 4.10pm
	Spanish	Reception - Year 6	3.10pm - 4.00pm

Violin to start after half term - watch this space

OPEN EVENING

On **Wednesday 12th November, 3.00pm - 5.00pm**, we are holding an Open Evening at our wonderful school. If you know anyone who is interested in taking a look around, please do let them know.

Please email the school office to register your place:-

stanne@knowsley.gov.uk

Notices

OPAL PLAY



We are currently in the process of developing our grounds to enhance play for our children. As a result children will be out playing in all weathers. For this reason it is really important that children have waterproof coats and wellies in school. You will notice black welly storage boxes springing up across school, which are vital for the success of the programme.

From Monday if all children can please have wellies in school so we can be accessing the field, many thanks .

Healthy Snacks

As a school we always encourage our children to eat healthy snacks at break time, chopped fruit or vegetables will help keep our children alert, help them to concentrate and keep them going until lunchtime.

We ask for your support with this matter so we can work together in promoting health and well being.

School Photographer - Friday 10th October

The school photographer will be visiting school on Friday 10th October from 9am. This is for both siblings and individual photographs.

Road Safety Week 13th October - 17th October

Please support your child's development by modelling and discussing road safety awareness on your commute to and from school. Think about both safe and unsafe places to cross and now also be highly aware of the quieter electric vehicles that use the roads and pull out of driveways.

Weekly Debate

Each week we will publish a question which will be discussed in class as the weeks progress and it is also a chance for you to discuss the question with your child/children over the weekend.

What kind of charity matters most to you: one that helps people with health problems, one that helps animals in need, or one that protects the planet?

Times Tables Rock Star Day - Friday 17th October

To celebrate everything times tables we are having TT Rockstars day—please join in the fun and dress like a ROCKSTAR—party on and of course remember your times tables!



Nursery Events

Tuesday 7th October Nursery families are invited to a stay and play at 3.15pm - 4.00pm, this allows families to take a look around the classroom and take a look at our continuous provision.

On Tuesday 14th October, the children are invited to dress up as their favourite nursery rhyme character.

Hello Yellow World Mental Health Day- Thursday 9th October

To raise awareness of the importance of mental health and well being in young people the children are invited to wear a yellow item of clothing along with their uniform. This could be yellow socks, a yellow bobble, a yellow t-shirt or yellow wrist band.

Notices

Booking After School 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. We will know more about clubs next week.

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).**

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.

Online Safety Newsletters

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

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

School Dinners

Monday 6th October will be WEEK 3 which you can view on our website and app.

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



Diversity Theme Week - Celebrating What Makes Us Unique Week Beginning 6th October

The week starting 6th October, St Anne's Catholic Primary School will be celebrating Diversity Theme Week. This special week is dedicated to exploring and appreciating what makes each of us different and unique. Through a range of activities, stories, and discussions, our pupils will learn to respect and celebrate diversity in all its forms, reflecting our school's core values of kindness, respect, and community. This week supports our vision of "Living and working as Jesus taught us" by fostering empathy and understanding, ensuring every pupil feels valued and included.

Should you wish to contact your local Councillor

Councillor Kevin Bannon - 07384 455 428 kevin.bannon@knowsley.gov.uk

Councillor Megan Dever - 07386 664678 megan.dever@knowsley.gov.uk

Musician of the Month - OCTOBER 2025

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!

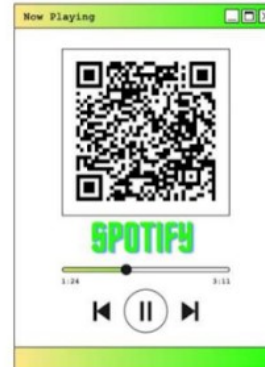


HOME INFORMATION



October's Musician of the Month

Tracy
Chapman



About: Tracy Chapman (born in Cleveland, U.S.A. on March 30, 1964) is an American singer-songwriter. Chapman is best known for her hit singles "Fast Car" and "Give Me One Reason". She is politically and socially active and is very passionate about supporting human rights. She has also been involved with Cleveland's elementary schools, producing an educational music video, highlighting achievements in African-American history.

Genres: Folk, Blues, Rock, Pop & Soul

Active from: 1986 - Present

Origin: Cleveland, U.S.A.

Books to read...

If you like Tracy Chapman, try...



- Natalie Merchant
- Eva Cassidy
- Bob Dylan

Year 6 Poem

Evie and Lydia in Year 6 were inspired by 'Just playing' by Anita Wadley as part of their work on National Poetry Day.

POEM

When you see me engrossed in my play,
playing with blocks and building towers,
just know my mind is working,
I am learning and enjoying my day.

When you see me engrossed in my play,
busy with my friends,
tasting food full of flavour,
maybe I could be a chef someday.

When you see me engrossed in my
play,
colouring and drawing,
covered in paint,
I am learning and enjoying my day.

When you see me engrossed in my
play,
picking bugs and finding flowers,
calling friends over to look at them,
maybe I could be a scientist
someday.

When you see me engrossed in my play,
playing with dolls and building their house,
their food so yummy,
I am learning and enjoying my day.

When you see me engrossed in my play,
feeding the babies and setting the table,
talking to the teddy bears,
maybe I could be a responsible mother one day.

When you see me engrossed in my play,
singing and dancing,
my voice loud and clear,
I am learning and enjoying my day.

When I come home from school and you
ask what I have done,
"I played all day,"
please don't misunderstand me,
I was learning as I played.

Prayer and Religious Education



Prayer and Liturgy

Our Prayer and Liturgy focus W/C 6th October: Forgiveness

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

Saturday 4th October 2025:

5:30pm Mass

Sunday 6th October 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: **Resilience**

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

Letter from Mr Anderson

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am pleased to share several notable developments from our school community this week. Our pupils have been actively engaged in various sporting and educational activities. On Monday and Wednesday, children attended 2 Cross Country events across Knowsley and Liverpool and they were all amazing. Additionally, selected Year 5 and Year 6 pupils participated in football skills and matches, representing our school with distinction—well done!

We also conducted an important safety practice this week, running a fire drill and reviewing critical incident signals. These preparatory measures ensure our pupils and staff are well-prepared and understand emergency protocols—we were so proud of how sensible everybody was.

I am particularly delighted to highlight some wonderful celebrations. We marked National Poetry Day with enthusiasm, embracing the power of creative expression. We were also privileged to welcome author Jude Lennon, who inspired our pupils with her literary expertise. Our School Council has also been actively discussing Opal play and potential reward systems, showcasing our pupils' engagement in school development. Tonight our Year 6 children are staying late for a social evening to have fun and spend some time together inside and outside the classroom—thanks to our staff for enabling this to happen.

Looking ahead, I encourage parents/carers to carefully review today's newsletter for important dates and notices. Next week, we will be launching our Diversity Theme Week, an opportunity to celebrate and learn about how everyone is unique and how that benefits our school, community, Britain and the world.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone.

Mr L Anderson
Head Teacher

Dates for Your Diary

	What's On
Monday 6th October - all week	Diversity and Difference Theme Week
Tuesday 7th October 2025	Nursery - Family Stay and Play 3.15pm - 4.00pm
Thursday 9th October 2025	Hello Yellow World Mental Health Day - wear yellow accessory
Friday 10th October 2025	School Photographer - individual and siblings
Monday 13th October 2025	Road Safety Week
Tuesday 14th October 2025	Nursery - Nursery Rhyme Dress up day
Friday 17th October 2025	TTRS Day
Monday 20th October 2025	This week Parent/Teacher meetings scheduled for EYFS
Wednesday 22nd October 2025	PTA Halloween Disco
Thursday 23rd October 2025	LKS2 Egyptian Living History Day
Thursday 23rd October 2025	UKS2 WW2 Living History Day - option to dress up!
Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October 2025	HALF TERM
Wednesday 12th November 2025	Opening Evening 3.30pm - 5.00pm
Monday 17th November	This week Parent/Teacher meetings scheduled for KS1 and KS2
Friday 28th November 2025	St Andrew (Feast Day 30th November 2025)
Friday 5th December 2025	Year 6 Heaven Sent
Tuesday 9th December 2025	2.15pm EYFS Nativity Performance
Wednesday 10th December 2025	9.30am EYFS Nativity Performance
Friday 12th December 2025	National Santa Dash wear your Santa Hat
Tuesday 16th December 2025	Reception visit to Croxteth Farm Park Grotto - details to follow
Wednesday 17th December 2025	Nativities - KS1: 9.30am Year 1/2.30pm Year 2 Parents
FRIDAY 19th December 2025	1.30pm finish
Saturday 28th February 2026	Nursery Application deadline for 2026
Thursday 5th March 2026	Nursery World Book Day - Local area walk and library visit 1.00pm
Thursday 19th March 2026 - Friday 20th March 2026	Year 4 Great Tower Scout Adventure Centre, Newby Bridge, Cumbria
Wednesday 29th April - Friday 1st May 2026	Year 5 PGL Winmarleigh Hall
Tuesday 30th June 2025- Friday	Year 6 Great Tower Scout Adventure Centre - Newby Bridge

School Streets

Experimenting to make safer streets



Simon O'Brien visits St Anne's Catholic Primary School in Huyton where they're experimenting to make safer streets

The scheme was introduced under an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order from 1st September 2025. The extents of the order are summarised below.

- A ban on motor vehicles on Marina Crescent, Ruskin Way and Cedar Crescent Monday to Friday from 8.00 to 9.00 and from 14.15 to 15.30 (term-time only).
- There will be exemptions made as part of the ban on motor vehicles for; residents, school staff, blue badge holders and taxis, however it should be noted that these exemptions will be part of the consultation phase and could be subject to change.
- A one-way system on Cedar Crescent which will allow vehicles to only access Cedar Crescent from Ruskin Way.

Any enquires please email schoolstreets@knowsley.gov.uk

School Levy

Dear Parents/ Carers,

As a Catholic school, St Anne's Catholic Primary School has to pay 10% of any repairs to our buildings, and 10% of the costs of any new buildings, from which all children benefit. The balance is paid for by the Archdiocese, but we have to make a contribution to their fund. This contribution is referred to as the "**Catholic School Levy**". We have to raise this money ourselves, and it works out as a contribution of £10.00 per family per year. This is less than 5.2p per school day.

Any shortfall which occurs due to any parents/carers not paying their contribution still has to be paid by the school. This obviously then reduces the amount of money available to provide valuable resources to enhance the teaching and learning provided in school. The school has benefited significantly from the Archdiocese in the past: most recently with our new roof in 2021, our mobile nursery building/ wraparound unit installed in 2020 and more recently with computing resources and screens. We as a school have benefited from this funding.

I urge you to support the school in our collection of levy money from parents/carers. This is a commitment which you as parents/carers undertake when sending your child to a Catholic school.

This payment for the academic year 2025/26 is immediately available on Parent Pay.

Yours sincerely,

Mr L Anderson

Headteacher

Competition



Art and History Competition 2025

If you would like to enter the competition, have a look at the artists and key figures on Seesaw for inspiration. You may know some of your own.

Create your art work in any form:

- ▶ Paint
- ▶ Draw
- ▶ Collage
- ▶ Sculpture
- ▶ Textiles

You can use a range of media to create it, **be creative**.

The competition closes on Friday, October 17th 2025.

Please pass your entries to your class teacher with your name, age and class.

Online Safety Presentation Link

The parent Online Safety Information Session took place this week, please find the link below to watch at your leisure.

<https://www.knowsleyclcs.org.uk/online-safety-parent-session-oct-2025/>

Safeguarding

Since the start of the academic year, our school staff have spoken to our children about keeping safe and ensuring they are safe in school. We have also stressed the importance of speaking to adults in school if there is ever an issue that we are here to help.

Our Safeguarding Team consists of:

Mr Anderson (Designated Safeguarding Lead),

Mrs Vernon (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead)

Miss Fraser (Learning Mentor). Mrs H Eaton is our Safeguarding Governor

Swimming Academic Year 2025/26

Therefore swimming will be held at Huyton Volair starting in March 2026 up until July 2026 for Years 3-6.