

St Anne's Catholic Primary School

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St Anne's Catholic Primary School - Weekly News

Highlights of the Week



KS1 and KS2 children attended the Brindley Theatre in Runcorn this week to watch Cinderella.

Christmas Choir sang at St Bartholomew's Care Home this week to get them in the festive spirit!





Christmas Jumper day and National Santa Dash took place this week.

Attendance

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Weekly Attendance W/E 05.12.25		
Bumblebees - Miss Harrison	97.33%	
Year 4/3 - Mrs Cropper	96.55%	
Year 4 - Miss Raynor	96.55%	
Whole School	91.91%	

Attendance Wheel
W/E 05.12.25

Ida S - Ladybirds Halle B - Year 3 William H -Year 6

Well done to who are this weeks attendance winners Bumblebees with 97.33%!

Which class will win 100% attendance next week?

Our school target is: 97.00%

Our overall school percentage this

week: 91.91%

<u>Awards</u>

Year	r Head Teachers Class Teachers Golden Mission		Writing Governors Award	
	Award	Award	Award	
6	Lailah C	Eve K and Josslyn F	Theodore B	Sophia H
	For being a kind, caring and encouraging member of the class who can always be relied upon	Always being enthusias- tic in class and fully en- gaging in lessons		Amazing effort writing her survival guide
6/5	Erin W	Harrison F	Talulla F	
	For always displaying a mature and respectful attitude in everything she does.	For his focus and effort during Spelling Group.		
5	Harry H	Daniel McC	Hollie W	Evelyn McG
	For being a kind, car- ing and encouraging member of Year 5.	For his excellent effort in all lessons this week.		For her fantastic effort with sentence accuracy.
4	Cooper L	Sadie W	Arabella N	Jack A
	For always being such a kind, encouraging member of our class. Well done, Cooper!	For her fantastic contributions in History. Well done, Sadie!		For his fantastic description of a mythical beast.
4/3	Rory R	Georgie W	Nevaeh D	Abigail K
	For being such an encouraging and kind friend this week. We are so proud of you!	For being such a hard- working and motivated member of the class. You've given 100% this week, well done super- star!		For such wonderful ideas to describe her monster.
3	Aria T- P	Caleb K	Jamie A	Sophie W
	For her encouraging and supportive nature and always wanting to help staff and her friends in class.	For always helping me in class with our class time- table.		For achieving her handwriting pen for her beautiful neat and joined handwrit- ing.
L/B	Mila-Rose R	Ivy T	Joseph W	Aubree K
	for always being a kind, caring and encouraging member of the Ladybirds class. We are so lucky to have you.	For working hard across all areas of the curriculum this week and impressing us with your great answers and focus. Well done superstar!		For your wonderful diary entry this week. Well done! Reading Passport: Anna T - Bronze award
D/F	Sophie H	Annie S	Finn R	Ada R
	For being a kind and encouraging friend to all of the Dragonflies. What a star you are!	For always being eager to learn and sharing her wonderful ideas. You are such a fantastic Dragon- fly!		For fantastic independent writing both in school and at home. I am so proud of your diary entry!
B/B	Lola C	Leo A - For his enthusiasm and positivity across	Aoife Hughes	Isla L
	For always being a kind, encouraging Bumblebee. You always set an excellent ex- ample and we are so proud of you!	all areas of the curricu- lum this week. We are so proud of you! Oscar K - For his fan- tastic weather report. We are so proud of you - what an achievement!		For her efforts writing a diary entry this week. Well done!

Clubs

NO CLUBS NEXT WEEK THIS WAS THE LAST WEEK OF CLUBS IN 2025

Day	Club	Year Group	Time
Monday	Girls Football	Year 3-6	3.10pm - 4.10pm
	Dance	Year 3 & 4	3.10pm -4.00pm
Tuesday Football Year 1		Year 1	3.10pm - 4.10pm
	Football	Year 5	3.10pm - 4.10pm
Wednesday	Violin	Year 4-6	2.45pm - 3.45pm
	Football	Year 3	3.10pm - 4.10pm
Thursday	Christmas Choir	Year 4 - 6	3.10pm - 3.45pm
	Cross Country Club/Fitness	Year 3 - 6	3.10pm-4.10pm
Friday	Spanish	Reception - Year 6	3.10pm - 4.00pm

Parking in the local area

The Highways Agency has been in contact with our local councillor Colin Dever, who has recently informed school that they have received numerous complaints regarding parents parking across resident driveways.

Can we ask for support to work together in keeping peace in our local community.

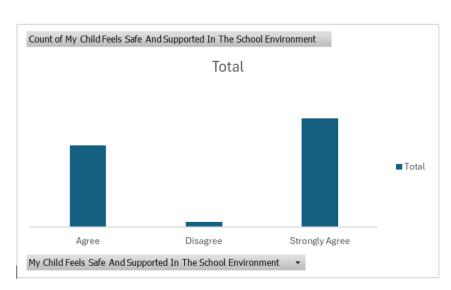
If we could encourage families to walk to school and to also make use of the new path connecting Twickenham Drive and Acacia Avenue.

Updated Policies

Attendance and Punctuality

Regular attendance and being punctual are so important to achieving—please ensure you child is in school unless unwell to do so.

Parent Questions



Over the next few weeks we will share feedback from our recent survey and they will be uploaded to our website.

Please find the first point above.

Junior Parkrun

Well done to: Sam B who took part in the junior parkrun in Norris Green on Sunday—a third place finish too. Well done to all who took part in the mini Santa dash too in Liverpool.

Where ever you run remember to set your profile as St Anne's CPS Running Club so we can track all our pupils.

KS1 Nativity Performances

On Wednesday 17th December KS1 will be holding their nativity in the school hall - 2 tickets per family. The children will come home with their tickets.

9.30am Year 1 cohort

2.30pm Year 2 cohort

Notices

Key Stage 1 Nativity Swap Shop

For the last couple of years, we have implemented a 'Nativity Costume Swap Shop' which has been very successful and saved lots of money for families.

If you happen to have a Nativity costume that no longer fits your child, please pass this in to school (via the office or to Miss Frodsham in the Ladybirds classroom).

We will then add this to the Swap Shop rail in the coming weeks and all families can help themselves to a suitable costume for your child.

Many thanks for your support. KS1 Team

Wales & Scotland Trip Croxteth Park Farm Grotto

On Tuesday 16th December, children from Wales & Scotland will be visiting Croxteth Park Grotto. The children will require a packed lunch this day. The deadline has passed for ordering, if you have missed this, please provide your child with a packed lunch.

The payment for this trip is £10.00 and this is immediately available on Parent Pay.

Wales Class - 10.00am - 12.00pm

Scotland Class - 12.00pm - 2.00pm

KS2 Christmas Carols

On the 17th December we will be welcoming KS2 families for our festive Christmas Carols in the school hall at 5.00pm.

Year 1 Winter Craft Workshop - SESSION TO BE REARRANGED DUE TO SICKNESS

Year 1 families are invited to a Winter Craft Workshop to work alongside their child to create Winter themed arts and crafts. Children will be invited into the session. Watch this space for the date.

St Anne's CPSK Running Club - Join Junior parkrun!

We are excited to invite all pupils in our Running Club to take part in the **junior parkrun** at Norris Green Park, happening every Sunday at 9:00 am. Junior parkrun is a free, timed 2km run for children aged 4 to 14. It's a fantastic way for our pupils to enjoy exercise outdoors, improve their fitness, and be part of a friendly community.

Register online: Parents need to register their child before attending. Registration is free and quick at parkrun registration.

Select St Anne's CPSK Running Club: During registration, please choose St Anne's CPSK Running Club as your child's club. This helps us celebrate our pupils' participation and achievements.

Attend on Sunday at 9:00 am: Join the run at Norris Green Park and enjoy a fun and healthy start to your Sunday! We encourage all our Running Club members to take part and show their St Anne's pride. If you have any questions or need help with registration, please contact the school 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/

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 BREAFAST 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.

School Dinners

Monday 15th December will be WEEK 1 which you can view on our website and app.



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

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.

A new poll has revealed that the UK's favourite festive film is Home Alone, but what is yours?

Safety in the Community

We would like to ask our families to support us with keeping everyone safe in the community. If your child cycles to school please ensure that they are following the rules and cycling responsibly—this is to ensure cyclists keep themselves and others safe. We have also had reports of neighbours in the community feeling intimidated through youths playing knock and run. We, as a school pride ourselves on being part of a wonderful community please treat everyone the way we would like to be treated. If your child does play out after school please ensure that they are being responsible and making positive contributions at the heart of our parish and community.

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!



December's Musician of the Month

Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky















About: Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky (7 May 1840 – 6 November 1893) was a Russian composer of the Romantic period. He was the first Russian composer whose music would make a lasting impression internationally. He wrote some of the most popular concert and theatrical music in the current classical repertoire, including the ballets Swan Lake and The Nutcracker, the 1812 Overture, his First Piano Concerto, Violin Concerto, the Romeo and Juliet Overture-Fantasy, several symphonies, and the opera Eugene Onegin.

Genres: Classical, Opera and Ballet Active from: 1865 -1893 Origin: Votkinsk, Russia

If you like Tchaikovsky, try...

- Franz Schubert
- Modest Mussorgsky
- Francesca Caccini

<u>Persistent Lateness</u>

Consistent lateness means your child is missing key teaching time, which can affect their progress and confidence in learning. Research and national guidance highlight that pupils who arrive late regularly are at risk of falling behind their peers.

We kindly ask for your support in ensuring that your child arrives at school on time every day. If there are any challenges affecting punctuality, please contact us so we can work together to provide any necessary support.

Prayer and Religious Education



Prayer and Liturgy

Our Prayer and Liturgy focus W/C 1st December: 3rd Sunday of Advent

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

Saturday 13th December 2025:

5:30pm Mass

Sunday 14th December 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: **INDIVIDUAL**

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

Letter from Mr Anderson

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the festive season, in this time of Advent, I am delighted to share some wonderful activities and achievements that have brought joy and learning to our school.

Our Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) pupils demonstrated confidence and creativity with their heartwarming Nativity performance for their families. The enthusiasm was truly inspiring, capturing the spirit of the season and bringing smiles to everyone present.

Our pupils visited the Brindley Theatre in Runcorn to enjoy a delightful production of Cinderella, which provided an excellent opportunity for cultural enrichment and shared enjoyment. Our school choir had the privilege of participating in a special Advent Service at the Cathedral, representing our school with grace and musical talent. Miss Frodsham also visited a local care home with children today to sing some Christmas Carols.

Our recent Easter Bingo was a resounding success, with numerous prizes and, most importantly, many happy faces—thanks to our PTA for organizing. **This was also the day when Santa visited our school!** We were equally thrilled to participate in the Santa Dash, another memorable occasion that brought energy and excitement to our school.

We are grateful for the continued support of the Steven Gerrard Academy coaches, who have been working with different classes and providing valuable sporting experiences for our pupils. Their expertise and commitment have contributed significantly to pupils' physical education and personal development.

Looking ahead, can I draw your attention to some upcoming events. Next week, our Reception classes will be visiting Croxteth Park to visit the grotto. We are also looking forward to our Carol Concert and Key Stage 1 Nativity, which will showcase the talents and hard work of our pupils.

These events and experiences reflect our commitment to providing a rich, holistic education that nurtures not just academic skills, but also creativity, confidence, and community spirit.

Have a lovely weekend

Mr L Anderson

Head Teacher

Notices

Experimenting to make safer streets

Any enquires in regards to Safer Streets please email schoolstreets@knowsley.gov.uk

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

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

Councillor Paul Woodruff— paul.woodruff@knowsley.gov.uk



Christmas Dinner Nursey £1.95

KS1 do not pay for school meals

KS2 £2.00

Dates for Your Diary

	What's On	
Tuesday 16th December 2025	Reception visit to Croxteth Farm Park Grotto	
Wednesday 17th December 2025	Nativities - KS1: 9.30am Year 1 cohort/2.30pm Year 2 cohort	
Wednesday 17th December 2025	KS2 Christmas Carols 5.00pm in the school hall.	
Thursday 18th December 2025	Christmas Dinner - £2.00 - see flyer	
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		
Tuesday 14th April - Tuesday 12th May 2026		
Tuesday 9th June - Tuesday 7th July	KS1 Judo3.15pm - 4.00pm	
Tuesday 30th June 2025- Friday 3rd July 2026	Year 6 Great Tower Scout Adventure Centre - Newby Bridge Cumbria	

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







Parents of pre school children It's time to apply for a school reception class place September 2026 Intake

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

CLOSING DATE 15TH JANUARY 2026

- If your child's date of birth falls on or between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022, now is
 the time to apply for a reception class place in school for September 2026.
- There is no automatic transfer from nursery everyone must apply between 12 September 2025 and 15 January 2026 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 Service

Email: schooladmissions@knowsley.gov.uk Tel: (0151) 443 5143 / 5142 / 3372

Nursery Admissions September 2026

For our nursery intake September 2026-2027 it is so important that your child is baptised in the catholic faith and you have evidence of this. The closing date for Nursery admission is 28th February 2026. When sending your form into school please ensure you receive a receipt for this. Please ensure you have sent in a copy of the baptismal certificate with your application before the closing date above.

Please see a link to our Nursery Admissions Policy:

https://stannesprimaryknowsley.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/St-Annes-NURSERY-Admissions-Policy-2026-27-1.pdf