

# St Anne's Catholic Primary School

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# St Anne's Catholic Primary School - Weekly News

# Highlights of the Week



KS1 Nativity took place this week to celebrate the birth of Jesus.

Scotland and Wales classes visited Croxteth Park Farm Grotto this week, they enjoyed the animals and meeting Santa! Thank you to the parent helpers!





Special visitors arrived at school this week to visit the children in time for Christmas!

# Attendance

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Weekly Attendance W/E 12.12.25	
Year 4/3 - Mrs Cropper	97.24%
Year 3 - Mrs Fogg	98.67%
Wales - Mrs Henesy	99.09%
Whole School	95.92%

Attendance Wheel
W/E 12.12.25

Emmie McK - B - 3 Leo A - Bumblebees Gray L - Year 3

Well done to who are this weeks attendance winners Wales with 99.09%!

Which class will win 100% attendance next week?

Our school target is: 97.00%

Our overall school percentage this

week: 95.92%

## Clubs

# Watch this space for clubs after the New Year!

# Christmas Read



This week the children across the school have enjoyed a Christmas Read, each class found a book that had been left wrapped under the tree for them. ]

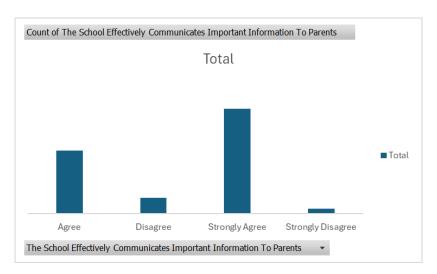
The children enjoyed a whole day of activities centred around the text.

Lets keep our children inspired to read over the Christmas holiday!

#### Junior Parkrun

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

# Parent Questions



We try our best to communicate all events with you through: our Newsletter, Seesaw, Parent App and sometimes through our social media channels (Instagram). For some events we do only find out last minute and with some sporting events (even though we may know dates in advance) we do have to rely on staff to accompany and transport our children to and from events.

We also must note that only certain members of our staff are able to drive our minibus.

# **Notices**

# 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.

#### 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.

Let's get running!

#### Online Safety Newsletters

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

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

#### 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.

#### <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.

# **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 offer an Early Bird Breakfast Club 7.30am—8.40am.

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 policies. 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

Tuesday 6th January will be WEEK 2 which you can view on our website and app.





#### 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.

Should school Nativities be held during school hours or after school?

#### 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!

# LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN















**About:** Ludwig van Beethoven (17th December 1770 – 26 March 1827) was a German composer and pianist who remains one of the most admired composers in the history of Western music; his works rank among the most performed of the classical music repertoire and span the transition from the Classical period to the Romantic era in classical music. In his early period, he forged his craft whilst his middle period showed an individual development from the styles of Haydn and Mozart. During this time, he began to grow increasingly deaf. In his late period, he extended his innovations in musical form and expression.

# If you like Beethoven, try...

- Franz Joseph Haydn
- Kaija Saariaho
- Claude Debussy

# Prayer and Religious Education



#### Prayer and Liturgy

Our Prayer and Liturgy focus W/C 5th January: 3rd Happiness

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

Saturday 20th December 2025:

5:30pm Mass

Sunday 21st 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: **Nurture** 

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, I am delighted to share some of the wonderful activities and moments that have marked our final week in December.

Our younger pupils in Reception had a magical experience visiting Croxteth Park, where they met Santa, creating memories they will cherish. Our Key Stage 1 children beautifully performed their Nativity for parents and families, showcasing their confidence and creativity. The Key Stage 2 children equally impressed by singing Christmas Carols for their families, demonstrating the musical talent within our school community and put us all in the Christmas Spirit.

On Thursday morning, our school Choir brought festive cheer by singing Carols at the school gate, spreading joy to our entire community. "Christmas in a Box" has continued to be warmly received by our school families. The delightful visit from Mickey and Minnie Claus on Thursday added an extra touch of magic to our celebrations.

As we conclude the term, our final Prayer and Liturgy today focused on the true meaning of Christmas, reflecting on the special night of Jesus' birth.

I am writing to confirm that school will be closed for the Christmas period and will reopen to our children on Tuesday 6th January at the normal times. We would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mr L Anderson

Head Teacher

#### Mrs Daniels Maternity Leave

We wish Mrs Daniels the best of luck on her maternity leave and we welcome Miss Dally to the team.

# 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



Run, walk or wheel with family and friends at:

Wavertree Sports Park, Liverpool, L15 4LE

Share the joy of Christmas — run together with family and friends this festive season!

Adult £10 | Child £5 | Family £20







# Dates for Your Diary

	What's On	
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 14th April - Tuesday 12th May 2026	KS2 Judo 3.15pm - 4.00pm	
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