



St Anne's Catholic Primary School

'Living and working as Jesus taught us.'

Information for parents/carers of Reception children





St Anne's Catholic Primary School

Meet the Team



Mrs Feeney
Scotland Teacher



Mrs J Henesy
Wales Teacher & EYFS Lead

'Living and working as Jesus taught us.'



Mr L Anderson
Headteacher



Mrs L Bannister
Deputy Head



Miss Fraser
Learning Mentor



St Anne's Catholic Primary School

Our School Vision

Deliver an outstanding curriculum that successfully INSPIREs a love of learning and desire to be the best we can be.

Ensure our children and staff are active, spiritually aware citizens who make positive contributions at the heart of our parish and our local community.



St Anne's Catholic Primary School

What is the Early Years Foundation Stage?

The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) is the stage of education for children from birth to the end of the Reception year.

In St Anne's Catholic Primary School we recognise children develop quickly in the early years and aim to give them the best possible start. **The experiences and abilities a child develops up to the age of 5, has a major impact on the child's future life success.** At St Anne's our aim is to ensure that our children learn independence and develop a broad range of knowledge and skills that provide the right foundation for a good future and enable them to make continued progress throughout school and in life.





St Anne's Catholic Primary School

Areas of Learning and Development

Your child will be learning skills, acquiring new knowledge and demonstrating their understanding through **7 areas of learning and development**.

The three **prime areas** are particularly important for developing communication skills, forming relationships and igniting a curiosity and enthusiasm for learning.

Prime Areas

- Communication & Language
- Personal, Social & Emotional Development
- Physical Development

Specific Areas

- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts and Design

The four **specific areas** help develop skills and knowledge needed to ensure 'school readiness' in preparation for **Year 1**.



St Anne's Catholic Primary School

Communication and Language

The development of a child's spoken language underpins all seven areas of learning and development and is a key focus in our language rich Early Years setting.

Please encourage your child to speak clearly and in sentences daily.





St Anne's Catholic Primary School

Catholic Life



We are proud to be a Catholic school and participate in daily prayers and reflection (Prayer and Liturgy). We currently follow the diocesan recommended RE syllabus which includes finding out about religions other than our own.

We also follow the **Journey in Love** programme to teach Relationships Sex and Health Education (RSHE) throughout the school which is rooted in Catholic Church teaching.





St Anne's Catholic Primary School

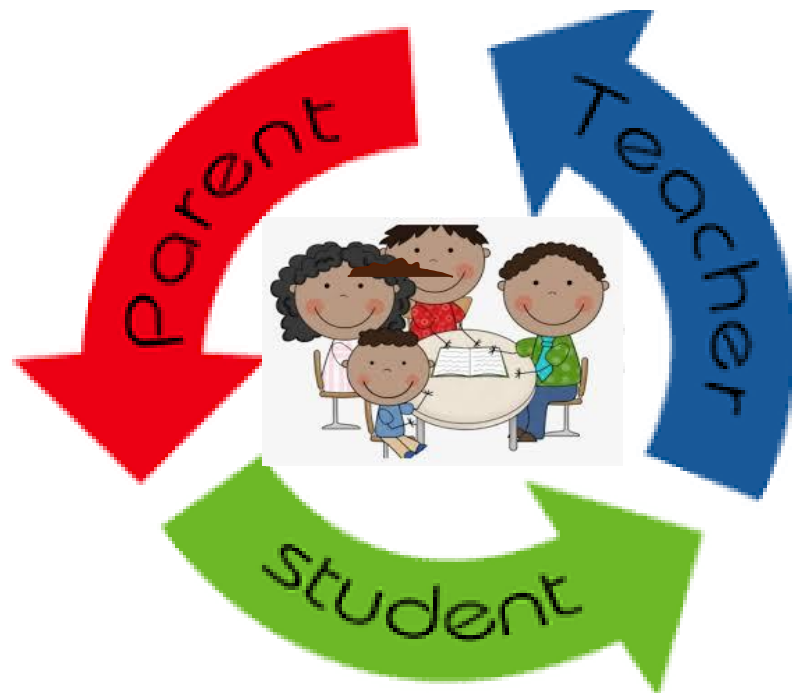
Archdiocesan Levy

All of our parents are expected to contribute fully to the **Archdiocesan Levy** to assist with the Capital Building Programme for Catholic Schools. This is a commitment which parents/carers undertake when sending their child to a Catholic school. The amount is currently **£10 per family** per year. This should be paid through our 'ParentPay' App.





St Anne's Catholic Primary School



At St Anne's we strongly believe in '**Parents as Partners**'. We are always here to support both you and your child and welcome you all into our school community. We know that communication is key between home and school, and recognise that **you** are the most influential teachers in your child's life. Please speak to a member of staff if you wish to discuss your child further.



St Anne's Catholic Primary School

Communication methods

School website - School policies, curriculum information, class pages, newsletters, term dates and lots of other information.

Parent Mobile App - School notices, information and consent forms are shared here. Please download from the App store or Google play.

(More info. to follow)

ParentPay - We are now a cashless school and all payments must be made via the ParentPay App. Please download from the App store or Google play. See inside your Welcome Pack.

School **newsletters** are shared weekly and posted on the Parent App and the school website for your information.

Seesaw - See next slide.

School Office - please contact your child's class teacher or the school office if you would like to make an appointment regarding your child.



St Anne's Catholic Primary School



Seesaw is an online digital portfolio that we use to record and document your child's development and progress. We set tasks and post weekly homework activities on here. Please 'like' and make comments on posts.

We would encourage you to post any photos and videos of your child learning away from school too which can be saved in their journal.

You can also access Family and School Announcements or inbox non-urgent messages to you child's teacher via the messages tab.

Please download the app and scan in your family and your child's QR code before your child starts school as we will use this to keep in touch with you and your child over the summer.



St Anne's Catholic Primary School

School Uniform

Our Welcome Pack has a uniform list.

The school badge on clothing is optional and only available from
Lisa's Schoolwear, East Prescot Road.

Drawstring bags can be purchased from Lisa's

(Please no back packs or book bags)

- Spare clothing
- Shoes -Velcro fastenings (no laces please, to promote independence)
- Wellies

A water bottle will be provided for each child by school.

All belongings must be clearly labelled including shoes.

Please also be aware that children in Early Years have a PE based uniform and so do not have a separate summer uniform.



St Anne's Catholic Primary School

All About Me Booklet

To be completed by the parent with the child. This information will help our staff become familiar with your child. Their likes, dislikes and any concerns they may have. The back page identifies to us who may collect your child from school.

Please inform staff or the school office if someone different will be collecting your child. This includes going home with friends for play dates or if you are running late etc.



St Anne's Catholic Primary School

Reception Pupil Profile and Pupil Information Sheets

The Reception Pupil Profile identifies to us where your child is developmentally and highlights areas we should be aware of.

The Pupil Information Sheet collates information and permissions about your child that is kept centrally. Please ensure that you check ALL areas are completed especially areas in **RED**. If any of this information changes, including phone numbers or allergies, please contact the school office ASAP for this information to be updated.

These forms contain much of the same information but are required for different purposes.

ST ANNE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL - PUPIL INFORMATION SHEET

Child's Name Date of Birth.....
Class Teacher's Name.....
Home Address
..... Postcode.....
Home Telephone Number
Ethnicity.....Religion.....

**PLEASE CONTACT THE HEADTEACHER IF YOU WISH TO WITHDRAW YOUR CHILD FROM
RELATIONSHIPS AND SEX EDUCATION SESSIONS**

Has your child been Adopted from Care? Yes / No (Please circle appropriate answer)
Are either of the child's parents in the Armed Forces? Yes / No (Please circle appropriate answer)
Full names of Parents / Carers (Adults with legal responsibility for the child) – **BLOCK CAPITALS**:
Name..... Name.....
Relationship to child..... Relationship to child.....
Mobile..... Mobile.....
Work..... Work.....
Other..... Other.....
email address:..... email address:.....

If parents / guardians are not available, please give details of other adults who can be contacted in an emergency (in order of preference for contacting):

1. Name..... 2. Name.....
Relationship to child..... Relationship to child.....
Mobile..... Mobile.....
Work..... Work.....
Other..... Other.....
3. Name..... 4. Name.....
Relationship to child..... Relationship to child.....
Mobile..... Mobile.....
Work..... Work.....
Other..... Other.....

**IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY I GIVE PERMISSION FOR MY CHILD TO RECEIVE URGENT
MEDICAL CARE INCLUDING ANAESTHETIC**

Yes / No (Please circle).....(Parent / Carer to sign)

PLEASE INFORM SCHOOL OFFICE IMMEDIATELY IF ANY OF THE INFORMATION CONTAINED ON THIS FORM CHANGES.

SIBLINGS:

Name:..... Date of Birth:..... School attending:.....
.....
.....

MEDICAL INFORMATION:

Doctor..... Phone.....
Address.....

Does your child have a Registered Disability? Please provide details:

Does your child wear glasses? Yes / No (Please circle appropriate answer)

If your child has any known allergies, please list (e.g. Penicillin, nuts, foods, plasters etc):
.....

Does your child have asthma? Yes / No (Please circle appropriate answer)

If your child has asthma they **MUST** have duplicate inhalers and spacers in school.

Does your child have any other medical conditions? Yes / No (Please circle appropriate answer)

Please detail any medication or special provision that is required.
.....

If your child has **PRESCRIBED** medication please provide school with it and complete the relevant paperwork at the school office (**please note** - antibiotics will only be given if they are prescribed for four times a day)

PARENTAL CONSENT:

I give permission for my child to: (please tick boxes to give permission)

Sample different foods during food tasting / cookery. ☐
Use the outdoor activity play area ☐
Attend hand massage / well-being treatment sessions ☐
Participate in walking trips within the local vicinity, i.e. Church, library, park, etc. ☐
Participate in class swimming lessons ☐
Travel on the school minibus when necessary ☐

Online tools and web publication of work and photographs

(please tick one box)

I give permission for my child's photograph to be used within school displays, on Seesaw, printed publications, school website and social media
yes ☐ no ☐

Signature Date

Relationship to child



St Anne's Catholic Primary School

Healthy School

One of the prime areas of learning for children in Early Years includes making healthy choices about food and drink and we will be working hard to help them recognise and (hopefully) choose healthier food options. We encourage all children to try new foods including through our school lunches.

Snack examples- apples, bananas, pears, bell peppers, berries and yogurt, crackers and cheese, rice cakes and humus, tortilla chips and salsa dip, ham wrap and salad vegetables or cereal with milk.

We offer our children a wide variety of fruit and vegetables daily and milk or water is always available. We also encourage the children to sip water regularly throughout the day.

We wish to limit the amount of sugar that children have access to in school and would encourage children eating a packed lunch to have just **one** small sugary treat per day.

With this in mind unfortunately, we do not accept cakes or sweets for birthday treats.

RECEPTION SNACK

Your child will be provided with snack each day at a cost of £4.00 per week (£144.00 per year)

Academic Year is September 2025 to July 2026.

All payments should be made via ParentPay, due termly in advance.

See payment schedule below:



Reception Payment Schedule 25/26	Autumn Term 1 Amount due (5 weeks)	Autumn Term 1 Due date	Autumn Term 2 Amount due (7 weeks)	Autumn Term 2 Due date
Snack	£20.00	Friday 5 th September 2025	£28.00	Thursday 23 rd October 2025
Reception Payment Schedule 24/25	Spring Term 1 Amount due (6 weeks)	Spring Term 1 Due date	Spring Term 2 Amount due (6 weeks)	Spring Term 2 Due date
Snack	£24.00	Friday 19 th December 2025	£24.00	Friday 13 th February 2026
Reception Payment Schedule 24/25	Summer Term 1 Amount due (6 weeks)	Summer Term 1 Due date	Summer Term 2 Amount due (6 weeks)	Summer Term 2 Due date
Snack	£24.00	Thursday 2 nd April 2026	£24.00	Thursday 21 st May 2026



St Anne's Catholic Primary School

Stay and Play

We will be holding **two** Stay and Play sessions for your child. We have grouped children to attend as group, 1, 2 or 3.

The first session will be a stay and play with parents or family member. This is an opportunity for your child to come and explore the setting and become familiar with our staff.

The second, a shorter visit, will be an opportunity to drop your child off for approximately half an hour whilst parents/carers retreat to the school hall for a cup of tea.

See a member of staff today for your Stay and Play invitation



St Anne's Catholic Primary School

Induction Timetable

The first weeks of school for your child will be a staggered induction.

Week one School opens Tuesday 2nd September -your child starts their school journey by attending partial days (**morning sessions-New to St Anne's or afternoon sessions - from St Anne's nursery**).

Week two W.B 8th September – Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday your child will attend mornings and stay for lunch, pick up 1pm. Thursday & Friday your child will attend school full days. School gates open at 8:40am and close at 8:50am each morning. School ends at 3:10pm.

Week three W.B. 15th September – Your child will attend full days in line with the rest of the school..

Your induction timetable is in the Welcome Pack



St Anne's Catholic Primary School

Welcome Pack Return Envelope

Please ensure you return all signed paperwork from your pack, in the envelope provided by **12th June** so we can begin to get to know your child.

We will also contact your child's current nursery/childcare provider to arrange a short visit to help us get to know more about your child and about their developmental journey. We will also engage with your child in their familiar nursery setting to support their transition into Reception.

Please inform a member of staff of your child's current nursery setting.



St Anne's Catholic Primary School

Baseline Assessment

The Department of Education has introduced a **statutory assessment**, for children entering Reception. This is known as the Reception Baseline Assessment (RBA). This is a short, one to one, assessment that will provide a 'snapshot' of what your child can do when they start school. This data will be used at school level to measure the progress of the year group from reception to when they leave us in year 6.

Staff will use the Wellcomm language and communication tool as well as the Trafford Speech and Language Assessment to determine your child's language and understanding ability on entry into Reception. We will set speech and language targets for children during the first half term where applicable.

Early Years staff will complete the RBA and other assessments with your child during their first half term in school.



St Anne's Catholic Primary School

Starting School what you will need;

Uniform - See uniform list. **Please ensure your child's name is on EVERYTHING! Including shoes and wellies.**

Shoes - please buy 'Velcro' fastening to help develop your child's dressing independence. Laces can be a trip hazard.

Wellies - In Reception we aim to go out every day even when it's wet and muddy.

PE bag - containing spare clothing including underwear and socks.

Download:- Seesaw App, Parent App, ParentPay App.

A water bottle will be provided for your child and they will be encouraged to sip water regularly throughout the day.



St Anne's Catholic Primary School

Top Tips to prepare your child for Reception

A key aim in Reception is to develop independence, resilience and a motivation to have a go and to keep on trying.

- Encourage your child to be independent e.g. carry their own school bag/lunch box.
- Use the toilet independently and wash and dry their own hands.
- Dress themselves.
- Put on and take off their own coat - practise fastening zips, buttons and poppers.
- Follow and execute simple instructions - get your shoes, close the door, put it on the table.
- Eat with a knife and fork.
- Recognise their own name.
- Write their own name (initial capital letter, then lowercase letters)
- Share with others and take turns
- Discard dummies

- The BBC Bitesize website has a great **Starting School** section with advice and suggestions on how to help prepare your child for school. There are some links on our school website on the Reception page.
- <http://stannesprimaryknowsley.co.uk/classes/reception/>



St Anne's Catholic Primary School

Thank you!

We look forward to seeing you soon.

'Living and working as Jesus taught us.'

