



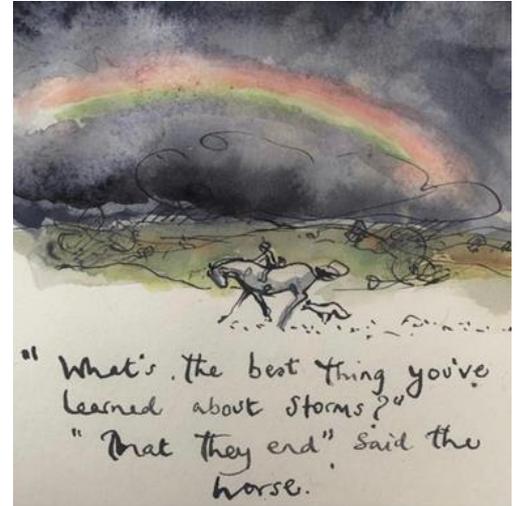
St Anne's Church Academy @Hewish & @West Wick



Term 2
Friday 6th November 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to term 2. As we have entered a new national lockdown, the restrictions placed upon our lives mean that we are all facing different challenges and now more than ever, we need to count our blessings and stay positive. I have been hugely blessed this week by being appointed as the permanent principal of St Anne's Church Academy. I am absolutely thrilled to be able to continue my journey with you all and I simply could not wish for a warmer, happier and kinder school community to be part of. The support I have received from you all and the whole of the TPLT family has been invaluable during the last 11 months so I want to thank you all. I look forward to continuing to move our wonderful school forward and as the image suggests, this storm will end one day and we will all be together to celebrate when it does! Have a good weekend. Stay safe everyone.



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COVID 19

As further restrictions are now placed on us again, the role that school places in everyone's life is even more important. Our children need to be in school to ensure that there is minimal disruption to their education and personal development. We will do our absolute best to support all our children and ensure that they are happy and progressing. Working together is the best way for us to get through it. You can all help by wearing masks on sites (children do not need to wear masks) and by observing social distancing at all times. Please stay in your family groups or child care bubbles when dropping off and picking up. Try to avoid mixing children from different bubbles as much as possible. Please log in to your child's Google classroom, where a remote learning plan for term 2 can be accessed if needed when a child is self-isolating or if a bubble should have to close. There will be more information about Google classroom coming soon.

If your child or anyone in your household displays any of the symptoms associated with Covid-19, please do not send them to school and arrange a test. Please inform the school as soon as possible. If you have any concerns, please contact the school.

THE FULL QUART CARPARK CLOSURE

Due to the new lockdown regulations, the Full Quart pub is closed at the moment and we are not able to use their car park. This also means that we cannot provide our usual minibus. Everyone now needs to collect from Hewish at the end of the day. This will cause more congestion and we are currently looking into alternatives for a minibus drop off so that we can improve the end of the day for everyone. In the meantime, please remember to use our Hewish car park considerately and safely. Please be patient. Can we remind everyone that if you are collecting siblings, this should not be until **3.10pm** – collection times are staggered to ease car park congestion. Please pick up your children and leave the site as quickly as possible to allow others to pick up their children.

FACE COVERINGS

Thank you to **everyone** for wearing face coverings at drop off and pick-ups and for observing social distancing when on our school sites. Please help us to keep everyone safe by continuing to adhere to this. The one way system @West Wick is in place to support social distancing and is working well (please enter through the side and back gates and leave through the main gate). Thank you for your support with these additional Covid measures.



CHILDREN IN NEED

We will once again be supporting Children in Need on **Friday 13th November** by wearing something **spotty** to school for a small donation. This year's Children in Need charity are focusing on children's mental health which is very important to all of us. Please send any donation in an envelope which will be opened by the office crew.



ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

The theme for Anti-Bullying Week 2020 is 'United Against Bullying'. Throughout the week, all classes will take part in lessons which raise awareness about bullying and the power of everyone playing their part in making choices which are fair, kind and tolerant. One of the key questions children will be asked is: "What part will you play?"



To start Anti-Bullying Week, we would like all children to wear odd socks to school on Monday 16th November to celebrate that we are all unique. If you would like more information about Anti-Bullying week or to make a donation to the cause, please visit: <https://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week>



PSHE (PERSONAL, SOCIAL AND HEALTH EDUCATION)

At St. Anne's, we are very proud of our PSHE curriculum which enables our children to become healthy, independent and responsible members of society. Our weekly lessons provide a wonderful opportunity for children to cover a wide range of topics with a strong emphasis on building resilience, nurturing mental and physical health, and encouraging children to advance their emotional awareness, concentration and focus. Now, more than ever before, this is of great importance.

Each term, we have a whole school focus with every year group taking part in lessons appropriate to their age group. This term is 'Celebrating Difference' – a wonderful theme which covers issues such as making friends, understanding bullying, discussing stereotypes and gender diversity, challenging assumptions, and enjoying and respecting other cultures. We are always keen to welcome people from our local community who are willing to share their experiences and knowledge with our children. If you (or you know of anyone) who can contribute to our 'Celebrating Difference' topic then please do contact me. Beth.Manning@stannesprimaryschool.co.uk



For more information about our curriculum and the topics covered in each year group, please visit our curriculum web page. <https://stanneschurchacademy.co.uk/curriculum/curriculum/pshe/>

MODESHIFT GOLD AWARD – LIVING STREETS

Over the past 2 years, we have gained our bronze and silver modeshift accreditation and been award North Somerset School of the Year for our sustainable travel and our approach towards best practice in the promotion of walking, cycling and other forms of sustainable travel for the journey to and from school. Now it's time to go for GOLD and we would really like everyone to get involved. We have teamed up with North Somerset who have funded our living streets walk to school WOW year challenge. This means as a school we will now be tracking our children's journey to school daily and children can earn badges for all their efforts.

We would like to invite all our children and families to get involved and either walk, cycle, scoot to school where possible. This also encourages children to live a healthy and active lifestyle. We appreciate that it is not always possible to walk to school, especially at our Hewish site so you can still participate. You can walk the dog, walk in the park, go on a scooter/bike ride and these activities will still be taken into account. We will also be encouraging the daily mile and other activities in school.



DINNER MONEY

Please login to your ParentPay account and settle any money owed. If you need help logging in or are experiencing financial difficulties please do let the office crew know and we will be happy to help.



NUT-FREE SCHOOL

Please can we remind everyone that we are a **nut-free school** and that snacks and lunch boxes must **not** contain anything nutty. This is to ensure the safety of all our children including a number of children who could have a severe allergic reactions to nuts. Your consideration and co-operation is greatly appreciated.



DIARY DATES

Wednesday 11th November – Flu vaccinations @Hewish

Thursday 12th November – Flu vaccinations @ WW

Friday 13th November – Children in Need

Monday 16th November – Odd Socks Day/ Anti Bullying

Friday 18th December – Last day of Term 2

Monday 4th January 2021 – First day of Term 3