

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



Newsletter Term 3 Friday 28th January 2022

Dear parents and carers,

As we near the end of what seems like the longest January ever, I wanted to thank our wonderful staff, children and their families for being so consistently positive and smiley! I never fail to feel proud as I walk around our school and spend time with children in their classrooms, dinner hall or playground. Our school community is very special!

Have a lovely weekend.

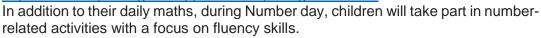
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NSPCC NUMBER DAY 2022

On **Friday 4th February** we will be taking part in NSPCC Number Day. To support this charity, we would like children and staff to come to school and 'dress up for digits' wearing clothes that contain numbers. You can create your own number outfits by pining numbers on to T shirts, becoming dice, dominoes, playing cards, clocks, calculators or by being as creative as you like with numbers. Voluntary donations direct to the charity would be welcomed via this link: https://www.nspcc.org.uk/support-us/ways-to-give/donate/





CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

Here at St. Anne's we are proud to be taking part in 'Children's Mental Health Week' from the 7th to 13th February. This year's theme is 'Growing Together' and we will be encouraging children (and adults) to consider how they have grown, and how they can help others to grow. This theme perfectly complements our term three whole school PSHE unit 'Dreams and Goals' which allows the children to explore their personal strengths, aspirations, and how to cope with both failure and success.



VE'RE TAKING PART IN CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

As part of 'Children's Mental Health Week', children will:

- Take part in daily well-being activities in class. These will also be posted on social media so you can enjoy at home as well.
- Learn more about the importance of mental health in a special assembly.
- Enjoy a PSHE lesson where they will explore 'who supports their growth'.
- Have fun expressing themselves through an art activity on the final Friday.

The Place2Be website also has a fantastic section for parents and carers which includes top tips for families to think about the different ways we grow, art activities and videos/stories of how to support children's wellbeing and behaviour. https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/parents-and-carers/



We look forward to a fantastic week and sharing lots of our learning with you.

FRUIT SNACKS

Please can we remind everyone that snacks provided for children to eat at breaktime should only be **fruit**. Fruit is provided for children in EYFS and KS1 and children in KS2 are welcome to bring in a fruit snack for breaktime. We are increasingly seeing sugary snacks being brought in as snacks. Please support us to encourage healthy fruit snacks for your children. Water bottles should only contain water not juice.



We are a **nut-free school**. Snacks and lunch boxes must **not** contain anything nutty including chocolate hazelnut spreads like Nutella or peanut butter. Please consider the safety of others. Your consideration and co-operation is greatly appreciated.

SEWING CLUB @H

Our popular afterschool sewing club @H run by Kay Westby is in need of donations of fabric and haberdashery (needles, thread, buttons, ribbon and braid etc.) If you have any textiles that could be used please bring them to either of our offices and we will pass them to Kay.



Y6 CAMP

A reminder that Y6 Camp balances need to be paid by **31**st **March 2022.** Please let us know if you are experiencing any difficulties with payment.



MEDICATIONS

Please can we remind parents that any medication that is sent into school needs to be accompanied by an administration form available from the office. Children should never have any medications in their bags or lunchboxes. Medication should not be just handed to members of staff. This includes throat lozenges such as Strepsils. All medications are stored securely and refrigerated if necessary.



FANASTIC FEBRUARY FUN AT BREAKFAST CLUB

If you are looking for Breakfast club provision, we would love to welcome your children at our breakfast club at West Wick. Children are offered a very substantial breakfast and always have a really great start to the day. Di and Toni, our breakfast club leaders make sure the children have a wonderful start to the school day. Sessions are held at our West Wick site and are open to all children. Sessions start from 7:30am. There is a shuttle bus provided to transport our Hewish children across at the start of the day.

Each session costs £3.50 or £4.25 if including transport to Hewish. Sessions can be booked and paid for via the School Gateway app. Please see the poster for February fun activities and hot breakfast days!



NURSERY PRACTITIONER ROLE

We are looking to recruit a nursery practitioner for our Little Learners nursery. We have a very friendly team and fantastic benefits. If you are interested in working as a nursery practitioner, please see the link provided



https://accesspeople.accessacloud.com/ThePrioryLearningTrustRecruitment/Home/Vacancy?id=108&returnurl=/ThePrioryLearningTrustRecruitment/#.Ydq2P2iP1PY

All other TPLT vacancies are available on the following site https://accesspeople.accessacloud.com/ThePrioryLearningTrustRecruitment/

DIARY DATES

Friday 4th February – NSPCC number day – wear numbers to mark the day

Monday 7th – Friday 14th February – Children's mental health week
Tuesday 8th February – Safer Internet day
Monday 14th February – Year 4 family worship – WW @ 2:15pm Hewish @ 2:30pm
Tuesday 15th February and Thursday 17th February – Learning review meetings
Friday 18th February – Last day of Term 3
Monday 28th February – First day of Term 4
Thursday 3rd March – World Book day

TODDLER GROUP

We will be hosting a new toddler group @WW on Wednesday mornings from 2nd February 9.30am-11.00am.



RSPB GARDEN BIRDWATCH

It's easy to do Big Garden Birdwatch. Simply choose an hour between 28 and 30 January and count the birds that you see land in your garden, local park or from your balcony. Then report your findings – follow this link to find out more:

https://www.rspb.org.uk/get-involved/activities/birdwatch/everything-you-need-to-know-about-big-garden-birdwatch/

