

**Newsletter
Term 1
Friday 9th September 2022**

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to everyone. It has been absolutely lovely to see our wonderful children and families after what seemed like a long summer break. A very warm welcome to all the new children, who have joined us this week, both in Busy Bees and in other classes across the sites. We have welcomed lots of new staff this week too. Everyone has made a great start to the term and the St Anne's family has grown! The children have all settled back into the routines of school beautifully and I have already seen some amazing learning on display. Well done everyone. We cannot wait to see what this year will bring us all.

In conjunction with the PTFA, we are already thinking of some fun events for the whole community to enjoy this year- watch out for more information from our PTFA shortly. It is just such a shame that such a positive week ended on such a sad note.

Have a lovely weekend!

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**WELCOME
BACK!**

QUEEN ELIZABETH II

It is with great sadness that we all received the news yesterday that Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II had passed away at the age of 96. She was the longest reigning British monarch. It was only a few months ago that we were joyfully celebrating her platinum jubilee which in some ways makes her passing even more poignant.

I shared my own memories of the Queen with the children at West Wick this morning. I have seen the Queen twice. Once as a young girl as she drove thorough Weston Super Mare during her silver jubilee and then again when I was a teacher at Yatton school. We took the whole school out to wave flags as she was driven through the village. I remember one child being quite disappointed that she wasn't wearing a crown!

When my son, Finley, was a Beaver scout, he was invited to meet her majesty at the Winter Gardens. I spent the whole day worrying that he would say something inappropriate to her (As was very common with him!) Thankfully, he did not disgrace himself. It was a magical memory for him. He is 23 now!

I am sure that you will all have your own stories or memories of our Queen and like the whole country are feeling a deep sadness today.

In school, we have celebrated her life today in a number of different ways including a celebration worship.



UNIFORM REMINDER

Thank you for supporting your children to follow our uniform policy. It has been lovely to see them all looking so smart on their return to school. The full uniform policy is available on the website.

<https://stanneschurchacademy.co.uk/parents/uniform/>

Jewellery should not be worn including wrist bands. Only very small, discrete round studs should be worn. Children will be kindly reminded not to wear any unsuitable or large earrings or hoops and may be asked to remove them. Hoops can be a health and safety hazard particularly at playtime or during PE. We have a wide range of preloved uniform available on both sites. We will shortly be displaying this preloved uniform in the entrance halls in the coming weeks.

On PE days, correct school PE kit can be worn in place of school uniform- this should be **plain black** leggings, shorts or joggers, plain white T-shirts and school sweatshirts only. Trainers should only be worn on PE days and should be **black** or **white**. PE hoodies can be worn on PE days. Class teacher should have informed you of PE days.

Please ensure all uniform is named –, children take items of clothing off and they get left on the field and playground. If they are named, they can be easily returned.

Please continue to support your children to follow the uniform expectations at all times.

KINDNESS

As we start the year, I wanted to make a polite request to ask everyone to remember to always be kind and respectful when communicating with school staff. Unfortunately at the end of last term and now at the beginning of this term, there have been a few incidents involving verbal and written aggression and rudeness towards school staff which is never acceptable. We teach our children to 'respect others', please can we all model this in all our interactions with the school. Please also be mindful of what is posted on social media. Be mindful of the impact of your words on staff. We are very lucky that the overwhelming majority of our interactions with our parents and carers is very polite and warm so thank you.

COMMUNICATING WITH SCHOOL

Emails to all school staff should be sent via the school mailbox. The email address for all communication is Mailbox@saca.theplt.org.uk

This mailbox is checked regularly during working hours and messages for individual staff will be forwarded as appropriate. School staff will respond to messages as soon as they can. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

REQUEST FOR ART CLUB @H

Do you have any unwanted colourful crockery? Art Club @H are going to be making mosaics and need ceramics, pieces of wood or MDF A4 size or larger and tiling grout. If you have any of these bits and pieces you no longer need Art Club would be very grateful.



SAFEGUARDING

Safeguarding is the most important role that we all have. The Designated Safeguarding lead at our school is our principal, **Emma Hardy Smith**. Deputy Safeguarding Leads are Diane Martin (SENCo), Cat Hockey and Rachel Few (Learning mentors)

If you have any concerns, please share them with any of the safeguarding team.

Our safeguarding governor is Kate Sargent Kate.sargent@saca.theplt.org.uk

Our school website has lots of safeguarding information and many links to other helpful sites.

The North Somerset safeguarding partnership has lots of useful information for parents and carers available.

Please click on the link below for additional support.

<https://www.nsscp.co.uk/resources-parents-carers>

DIARY DATES

Thursday 13th October – Last day of term 1 for children

Friday 14th October – INSET day

Monday 31st October – First day of Term 2

More to follow

NURSERY PLACES AVAILABLE



Are you looking for excellent nursery provision? We still have a few places left at Little Learners @ St Anne's. Please contact us for more details. 01934 520461

INFORMATION

Last night, many of our year 6 children visited PCSA's open evening. Please come and view our other local Trust secondary academy. WCSA is holding an open evening on Tuesday 13th September.



WCSA OPEN EVENING

We are pleased to welcome Year 5 & Year 6 students
and their families to our annual Open Evening.
Principal's talks at 4:30pm and 5:30pm

**TUESDAY
13th SEPTEMBER**

Join us from 4pm - 7pm

WE CHALLENGE AND SUPPORT TO ACHIEVE

THE PRIORY
LEARNING TRUST

WCSA