



**Newsletter
Term 1
Friday 23rd September 2022**

Dear parents and carers,

It is quite unbelievable to say that we already half way through term one! The weeks are flying by. The classrooms are a hive of activity. It has been a very busy few weeks and each class is fully immersed in their learning enquiries – Myself and our new CEO, Nathan Jenkins are being interviewed by our year 6 children next week as part of their enquiry – why is power important? I am looking forward to hearing their questions! I am sure your children have been sharing their new learning enquiries with you. Check out the class pages on the website, to find out what your children are learning this term.

Our new Reception children have settled in beautifully and are ready to all start full time. Thank you to everyone for making them and their families so welcome.

Our PTFA are planning lots of events for the coming weeks, please see the details below. If you are interested in helping out in your child's classroom, please contact the school office.

emma.hardysmith@saca.theplt.org.uk

Remember to follow our Facebook sites and our Twitter accounts to see lots of school activities.
@StAnnes_EHS

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast club based at our WW site is going from strength to strength and numbers are growing. Dianne Tyrell, our breakfast club leader, and her team ensure that children have a warm and relaxing start to the school day. Not only do the children have toast and cereal and our special Wednesday breakfast treats, they play games, complete craft activities, practice their number and spelling skills with our Ipad apps and they get active with physical activities.

Little Farm provide a shuttle between the sites in the morning to bring Hewish children over after attending Breakfast club.

Please contact the school office, for more details or if you would like a breakfast club place for your child.



SCHOOL LUNCHES

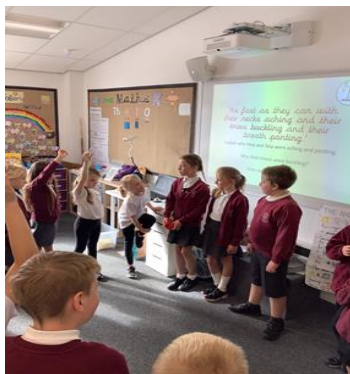
Just a reminder that children can still order a school lunch any day. We only ask that if your child would like the fourth option of a jacket potato or sandwich lunch that this be pre-ordered using weduc (The order form was sent out again yesterday) Every day children can order the main or vegetarian option or a salad. No need to pre-order these options.

Children in Reception and year 1 and 2 are entitled to universal free school lunches. Now that we have 4 options, there should be something your child would like every day. With the cost of living going up, why not take up the offer of a lovely free meal. Children who are eligible for free school meals are also entitled to a school meal.



Please ensure that your Parentpay accounts are paid in full. No-one should be in debt on Parentpay. Many thanks for your support with this.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP



We have made a few changes to our Parliament sessions this year. This is now our children's worship. Our year six children plan and lead these children's worships with mixed groups of children from across the whole school. They focus on our school values and wider community and global issues. Our value this term is Thankfulness. Children's worship is a fantastic opportunity for our children to come together and think about others. Our year six have made a brilliant start to leading the groups. Well done to the whole year six team.



PTFA EVENT DATES

The PTFA would like to share with you some important dates so you can get them in your diaries. It may seem like there are a lot of events taking place before Christmas, the reason behind this is that **ALL** funds this term will be put into a pot and split across all year groups to help fund school trips and visits for this year. We want offer parents and children the opportunity to come together and have fun whilst raising funds. Every child will benefit from this whole school fundraising and it will enable us to offer trips that are more affordable for everyone.

Friday 7th October: Coffee morning 9am to 10am at West Wick. Come along and join the PTFA members and find out how you can help and support your child's school.

Friday 7th October: School Disco at West Wick 4.30pm to 5.30pm for Y1, Y2 & Y3 and 5.45 to 6.45pm for Y4, Y5 & Y6 Tickets cost £2.50 and will include a snack and a drink. Please send **correct money** to the office in an envelope clearly marked with your child's name. No change will be given.



Thursday 13th October: Bend the rules day at school.

Thursday 3rd November - PTFA Annual General Meeting at 7pm – everyone welcome.

Thursday 10th November: Quiz Night (adults only). Open school for 6pm with 6.30pm start to quiz.

Friday 2nd December – Christmas fair

Further information will be sent out nearer the time for upcoming events.



COVID-19 GUIDANCE

As we are beginning to see a few cases of Covid again, we wanted to share the current guidance. The government removed any remaining domestic restrictions in England earlier this year, but there are still steps you can take to reduce the risk of catching and spreading COVID-19.

Information is available from the NHS via this link: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/> and from the government via this link: <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

NHS advice:

If you test positive for Covid, you should:

try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for **5** days

avoiding meeting [people at higher risk from COVID-19](#) for 10 days, especially if their immune system means they're at higher risk of serious illness from COVID-19, even if they've had a COVID-19 vaccine. This starts from the day after you did the test.

If a child or young person aged 18 or under tests positive for COVID-19, they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for **3** days. This starts from the day after they did the test.

Children and young people tend to be infectious to others for less time than adults. If they're well and do not have a temperature after 3 days, there's a much lower risk that they'll pass on COVID-19 to others.

UNIFORM

Thank you for supporting your children to follow our uniform policy. The full uniform policy is available on the website.

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

Please can we remind all parents and carers that long hair should be tied back at school and large hairbands and hair accessories should not be worn. Wearing hair tied back helps prevent the spread of headlice as well as ensuring that hair doesn't fall into children's eyes when they are learning. Hair should always be tied back for PE. Earrings should be small studs and should not protrude the ear lobe for safety reasons i.e. Hoops or large studs. Trainers should only be worn with PE kits.

We have plenty of preloved uniform on both sites. Please ask if you require anything. If you have old uniform that no longer fits your child, please donate it to school to support others. Please ensure all uniform is named with a legible name.

SCHOOL CAR PARKS

Hewish - Please ensure that you park politely at Hewish. The carpark is very small. Please use all spaces available and do not block others. Please remain patient. The car park does clear quite quickly at the end of the day. In the mornings, please drop your children off and leave the car park as soon as possible to ensure that there are spaces for everyone.



West Wick - A polite reminder that parents and carers should **not** be using the carpark at WW at all. The carpark is for staff and nursery parents only. There has been an increasing number of parents and carers using the carpark at the end of the school day. Children cross this carpark at several places when leaving the school and to ensure minimal traffic and to keep them safe, we ask that you do not park in the carpark.

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, including chocolate hazelnut spreads like Nutella and peanut butter. This is to ensure the safety of our children who can have severe allergic reactions to **all nuts and peanuts**. Your consideration and co-operation is greatly appreciated.



COMMUNICATING WITH SCHOOL

Emails to all school staff can 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.

SAFEGUARDING

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

Friday 7th October – PTFA coffee morning 9-10am @WW

Friday 7th October – PTFA School Disco Y1,Y2 & Y3 4.30-5.30pm Y4,Y5 & Y6 5.45-6.45pm

Tuesday 11th and Thursday 13th October – Learning review meetings with your child's teacher/s

Thursday 13th October – Bend the Rules fundraising day – more details to follow.

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

Friday 14th October – INSET day

Monday 31st October – First day of Term 2

Thursday 3rd Nov - PTFA Annual General Meeting at 7pm @WW – everyone welcome.

Thursday 10th November – PTFA Quiz Night 6pm for 6.30pm start @WW

Friday 2nd December – PTFA Christmas fair

Friday 16th December – Last day of Term 2

Thursday 3rd January – First day of Term 3

NURSERY and SCHOOL APPLICATIONS



Do you have a child starting school in September 2023?
Come and have a look at St Anne's Church Academy

Come and visit us at both our sites Hewish and West Wick



Hewish

Hewish tour dates

- Fri 23rd September 9am-10am
- Mon 26th Sep 9am-10am
- Thur 6th Oct 9am-10am
- Tue 11th Oct 9am-10am and 2pm-2.45pm
- Tue 8th Nov 2pm-2.45pm
- Wed 16th Nov - 9am-10am
- Mon 28th Nov 2pm-2.45pm
- Fri 9th Dec 2pm - 2.45pm



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West Wick

Applications for school places for 2023 are open 12th September 2022 - 11.59pm on 15th January 2023

To book on a tour please contact us;
Tel: West Wick 01934 520461 or Hewish 01934 832159 email: mailbox@saca.theplt.org.uk
web: stanneschurchacademy.co.uk twitter: @StAnnes_EHS

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



Nursery Places Available

Little Learners @ St. Anne's

We have a number of 2 & 3 year old spaces available!

Please contact us to find out more information
littlelearners@saca.theplt.org.uk