



Newsletter
Term 2
Monday 7th November 2022

Dear parents and carers,

Huge apologies for this Monday newsletter instead of last Friday. Like many of our children and families was very poorly with a sickness bug! Last week was a very busy week and as usual the children were a joy! It was wonderful to wander around the two sites seeing quality teaching and learning in every single classroom. The enthusiasm I see and hear from the children is infectious – our children really do learn to love and love to learn at St Anne's...

There is lots of information that we want to share with you and we did not want to wait until the end of the week. November is always a busy month in schools with Remembrance day, Anti-Bullying Week and Children in Need and then before we know it, we will be starting the preparations for Christmas.

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Remember to follow our facebook sites and our Twitter accounts to see lots of school activities.

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REMEMBRANCE DAY – FRIDAY 11th NOVEMBER

Friday 11th November is Remembrance day and the children will be taking part in activities including a very important daily worship which will include a 2 minute silence. Children are invited to wear their Cub, Beaver Scout, Brownie or Rainbow uniforms as a mark of respect.



Poppies from the Royal British Legion are on sale this week across the sites. Children are welcome to bring a small donation to school to purchase poppies and remembrance merchandise.

ANTIBULLYING WEEK - ODD SOCKS DAY – MONDAY 14th NOVEMBER

Anti-Bullying week is a very important part of our school curriculum. This year it will be held from Monday 14th - 18th November. The theme is 'Reach Out'. This fits perfectly with our term two PSHE learning; Celebrating Differences; which is all about the importance of accepting and supporting others. **Odd Socks day on Monday 14th November** marks the start of Anti-Bullying week and is a great way to celebrate our uniqueness and differences. This is a fun opportunity to encourage everyone to express themselves and celebrate their individuality, as well as sending the important message that we are all unique and should be free from bullying. We would like to invite all children (and staff!) to wear odd socks to school on this day with their uniform. (No donations needed)

Anti-Bullying Week 2022 is coordinated in England and Wales by the Anti-Bullying Alliance. It will take place from **14 to 18 November 2022** and has the theme Reach Out.

<https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week/anti-bullying-week-2022-reach-out>

Throughout the week, children will learn about bullying and explore the ways in which they can 'reach out' to others. In Children's Worship, our Year 6 leaders will lead children from across all classes in a discussion about bullying to understand how we can make sure St. Anne's is a 'Reach Out' school.

CHILDREN IN NEED

Children in Need will be celebrated on Friday 18th November. In order to make things nice and easy for our families, children are invited to wear any cheerful, brightly coloured or spotty outfits for a small donation for Children in Need. Children can also wear their Pudsey ears or Pudsey T-shirts etc too. I will be dusting off my favourite Pudsey T-shirt and spotty trainers! Children in Need is such a lovely day at school and it supports such a wonderful charity.



SCHOOL TIMINGS

Thank you to all of you who have ensured that your children are not arriving late at school in the morning. It really does make a difference. Please remember that if your child arrives after the gates have closed, they will be marked in the register as late.

Gates close at WW at 8:30am. Registers close at 8:40am
Gates close at Hewish at 8:45am. Registers close at 8:55am

Children who arrive after the register has closed, may be marked as unauthorised which could lead to a penalty notice.

BREAKFAST CLUB

We have a few spaces left each day at our Breakfast club based at our WW site. The 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.



PTFA QUIZ NIGHT

There is still time to buy your quiz night tickets for Thursday's PTFA quiz. Please support your hardworking PTFA who are working so hard to provide these exciting events for you all. They are trying to raise as much money as possible to support the cost of trips and events for all your children.

We need more teams to ensure this event can continue.



Doors open school for 6pm with a 6.30pm start to quiz.

UNIFORM

Our children are very proud to be part of the St Anne's family and always look so smart in their uniforms. 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 always be tied back at school. 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. Black and white trainers should only be worn with PE kits.

As the weather has now changed, please ensure your children have warm and waterproof coats in school. We try to get children outside every day if we can. Can all coats be named pleased.

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.

PHONICS AND EARLY READING INFORMATION EVENING

Thank you to all those parents who braved the storm last week to join us for our phonics and early reading information evening for parents and carers. Thank you to all the staff who led the training. We hope you found the information useful. Please see your child's teachers for more information about reading and phonics.

SCHOOL CAR PARKS

Hewish - Please ensure that you park politely at Hewish. We are very lucky to have our little carpark. 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.

BE KIND

Please can we ask all parents and carers to always be respectful and kind to each other and to all children when dropping off and picking up children from school. Please do not bring any disagreements from outside of school into the school as this can have an impact on the children and their wellbeing.

We are so lucky to have a school full of children with a myriad of differing needs and cultural backgrounds. We teach children to celebrate our differences. Please respect and model that. If you have any questions or concerns, please share them with school staff rather than address any children directly.

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

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

Monday 14th November – Odd socks day

Friday 2nd December – PTFA Christmas fair

Friday 16th December – Last day of Term 2

Thursday 3rd January – First day of term

VALUES – TRUST

This term our value is Trust which is a really important value. Trust must be earned. If we do not trust someone it is very hard to build a good friendship with them.

Things to talk together about:

- people who you know that are trustworthy
- practical ways that we can show others that we are trustworthy
- why it is important to be able to trust others when working together as a team

