



Newsletter
Term 2
Friday 25th November 2022

Dear parents and carers,

This rather wet week has flown by again. Can you believe that next week is December? The rehearsals for all our nativity plays are in full swing and no doubt your children have been singing the very catchy songs at home with you. You probably know all the words already. The Christmas trees will be up next week on both sites so expect the excitement levels to be heightened even more.

We are all really looking forward to the Christmas fair next Friday at West Wick- please join us all for lots of festive fun.

Have a fabulous weekend and enjoy the football!

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

@StAnnes_EHS

FOODBANK



Did you know that as a school, we can support and issue foodbank vouchers? We can issue vouchers for Foodbank parcels from several collection points in North Somerset, some may even deliver to you.

The parcels are prepared in advance and are designed to provide a minimum of 3 days emergency food (dry and ambient). There are different size parcels to accommodate household sizes and also some parcels designed for people with limited cooking facilities. Some food can be provided for dietary requirements and depending on what the

Foodbank have been gifted, they may be able to provide fresh produce, toiletries, nappies and frozen items.

Please speak to either Mrs Few (Hewish) Rachel.few@saca.theplt.org.uk or Miss Hockey (West Wick) Cat.hockey@saca.theplt.org.uk if you need support with this, as they can issue a Foodbank voucher confidentially.

The Foodbank is our Trust charity for this year and we have collection baskets on both sites. As we approach Christmas, we usually hold a reverse Advent calendar, where we invite our pupils to donate an item to the Foodbank. Let's see if we can get the baskets overflowing again! <https://westonsupermare.foodbank.org.uk/>

URGENTLY NEEDED ITEMS

TINNED POTATOES/ INSTANT MASH
INSTANT NOODLES
HONEY
INSTANT HOT CHOCOLATE
INSTANT COFFEE
TINNED FISH
COOKING SAUCES
DEODORANT
WASHING POWDER/TABS
DRY PET FOOD
SHOWER GEL

CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENTS

Hewish

Tuesday 6th December – KS1 Nativity St Andrew's Church Congresbury – 1:30pm

Monday 12th December – BB Nativity Hewish Hall – 2:30pm

Tuesday 13th December – KS2 Carols 5.30pm-6.30pm outside in the school playground @Hewish

West Wick

Monday 5th December – BB Nativity 2-3pm Hall @WW

Wednesday 14th December – KS1 Nativity Locking Castle Church 2pm

Wednesday 14th December – KS2 Carols 5:30pm – 6:30pm outside in the turning circle @WW

Whole school

Thursday 15th December – Christmas Dinner Day @St Anne's – Children can wear festive coloured clothes or Christmas jumpers



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 2nd December – Christmas fair

Friday 2nd December – Year 4 trip to Caerleon

Monday 28th November – year 5 @ Hewish Family worship

Wednesday 30th November – Year 5 @ WW Family worship

Wednesday 30th November – Tombola prizes

Thursday 15th December – Christmas dinner day @St Anne's

Friday 16th December – Last day of Term 2

Tuesday 3rd January – First day of term

PTFA EVENTS

PTFA Christmas fair is on Friday 2nd December

The fair will take place on Friday 2nd December, 5.30pm to 7.30pm at West Wick. There will be stalls, games, raffle, crafts, food and drink and most importantly a special visit from Santa!

Coming home to you shortly will be the white bags to fill with goodies and raffle tickets. We are asking for the white bags not to be decorated this year as they will be sold as lucky dip bags at the fair. Please can bags be returned by Wednesday 30th November.

To support the fair Mrs Hardy-Smith has agreed that children may come to school in non-uniform on Wednesday 30th November in exchange for a prize for our tombola stalls. If your child would like to come to school in non-uniform please hand your tombola prize to the class teacher on the day. Examples of tombola prizes could be chocolate, wine, gift sets, small toys or books. Please only send in new items and not second-hand, thank you.



Please come and join us for our community Elf fun on Sunday 11th December from 9:30am at our West Wick site- please see the poster below for details.

You can use this link for sponsorship payment <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/stanne-s-church-academy>



KENYA HOPE

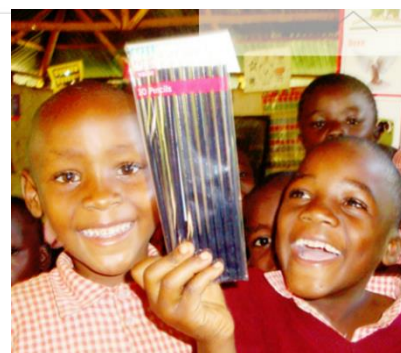
As a Church school, we aim to teach our children about ways that we can care for others who may be much less fortunate than us in our own community but also in the wider world. With this in mind, we have been lucky to hear about the charity 'Kenya Hope' which was started by a local man, Brian Humphreys from Weston-super-Mare. He was a member of St Georges Community Church (SGCC) and teams from SGCC led by Brian have worked tirelessly over the last 16 years on various projects in Kenya. Brian has registered the charity and he continues to travel to Kenya with others to change the lives of many young children and adults for the better.



Kenya Hope Charity

Responding to God's call to care for the poor

In the past, we have supported the charity by collecting donations of pencils, paper and other stationary items. These were received with great joy as you can see from these pictures.



can eat something.

St. Anne's would like to support the charity much more so Brian has visited both sites to explain some of the projects we can get involved in.

Over the next few months, we will be having cake sales, a sponsored walk 'Walk for Water' and you can even 'Twin your Christmas Tree' with a tree in Kenya.

Our aim is for the money we raise to be put towards sponsorship of a child in Kenya so they can complete their education. The rest will be for the Malanga Primary School so that children who cannot afford the school meal,

<https://kenyahopecharity.org/plant-1000-trees-in-kenya/>

If you would like to find out a little more then please visit the charity's website above.

Look out for Brian and Mrs Brawn / Mrs Poole at our Christmas Fair to twin your Christmas tree with a fruit tree for Kenya. Something a bit different to give to someone at Christmas to say that you have bought a fruit tree for Kenya.