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





Newsletter Term 3 Friday 12th January 2024

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to school and Happy new year (If it isn't too late to still be saying that!)

This week has flown by and I can't believe it is Friday already. It has been very cold this week, as January always is. Please ensure your children have appropriate clothing for school especially coats as we do always try to get the children outside to have some fresh air.

Term 3 is always one of our shorter term as we now only have 4 weeks until the February half term. We have lots of learning to pack in with children starting new learning enquiries as well as school sporting events, school trips, a resilience workshop, a book fair and a school disco.



Have a lovely weekend.

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ASPENS-SCHOOL MEALS

If your child requires a school lunch it is very important that it is ordered via the Select-Aspens portal **each day before 9.00am**. If you prefer, you are also able to order in advance if you by clicking through the calendar and you are also able to cancel meals if necessary. The orders are no longer submitted to the kitchen by the classroom and office, but are submitted directly via the portal. If you don't book a meal for your child then the kitchen are not aware that one is needed. The catering manager Sharon does her utmost to ensure each child is provided with a meal, but it does mean that they won't necessarily get the meal they want. To avoid this difficulty please login and book their meals. If you need any help logging in please ask the office who are more than happy to help. Here is a reminder of the link to the login page: https://select.aspens-services.com/

CAR PARKS

Please can we ask that parents use the Hewish carpark safely. Please check before pulling very slowly out of spaces as children are crossing the car park. Please only park in designated parking areas and not on the junction of the main road. Please be patient. The A370 is a busy road and it can take a little bit of time to pull out of the carpark. The carpark does always clear within 10 minutes. Please allow for this in your journey time.

School parents should not be using the carpark at West Wick without permission from the school. If you do need to use the carpark, please only park in designated parking areas. Do not park near the entrance or in front of the wooden gates. We need access to the gates at all times.

GAMES AND LEGO AND READING BOOKS



Do you have any Harry Potter themed games or Lego that you no longer need? These are very popular with the children and we would be happy for any donations for wet play @WW. Any games would be welcome for lunchtime clubs.

Please have a look at home for any school reading books. Our shelves are looking very depleted. Please return any books as soon as possible. If you have any god quality chapter books suitable for children in KS2, please donate them to school, the children would be very grateful.

POSITIVE PARENTING SESSIONS



Locking Castle Church are running some more of their successful parenting sessions, this time focusing on Handling Anger in the Family. There are 4 sessions in January and February, each 2 hours long, which will support families. For more information and to book please contact the team at Locking Castle Church: parentinglcc@gmail.com

TRUST CONSULTATION

A consultation has launched this week on a proposal to merge TPLT (The Priory Learning Trust) and CSET (Castle School Education Trust), creating a new organisation with a new identity that draws on the complementary strengths of both trusts. We believe that this will enable us to provide a great education to more pupils, invest savings in professional development for staff, and grow sustainably in the future to support more communities.

This document https://stanneschurchacademy.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Consultation-1.pdf provides more detail about the two trusts, our proposal, and the consultation process. We look forward to hearing your feedback over the coming weeks.

COLD WEATHER

Please ensure you send your child in with a named coat and maybe even a hat and gloves whilst the weather is particularly cold. Thank you.



PTFA SCHOOL DISCO

A date for the diary, our lovely PTFA will be holding a school disco on Friday 9th February (The last day of this term) More information to follow.



FOODBANK



If you are experiencing any hardship as the winter approaches Weston-super-Mare Foodbank are able to offer support. In order to access this help you need to be given vouchers. As a school, we are able to issue these vouchers so please speak to us or follow this link for more information: https://westonsupermare.foodbank.org.uk/

If you would like to make a donation to Foodbank we have collection points in both of our foyers. This link will have a list of current most wanted items: https://westonsupermare.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/

UNIFORM REMINDER

Price & Buckland are our new uniform supplier and you can order via this link: https://www.pbuniform-online.co.uk/stanneschurch

If you have any queries regarding our uniform policy please have a look at our uniform reminder – https://stanneschurchacademy.co.uk/parents/uniform/

A polite reminder that jewellery should not be worn. **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 and earrings that protrude the earlobe can be a health and safety hazard particularly at playtime or during PE. Hair should be tied back, especially for PE.

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**.

Please ensure all uniform is <u>named</u> and please check regularly that the name can still be read. Children take items of clothing off and they get left on the field and playground. If they are named and we can read it, they can be easily returned.

NUT FREE SCHOOL

A polite reminder for January, St Anne's is a nut free school. 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.



SAFEGUARDING

The Designated Safeguarding lead at our school is our principal, **Emma Hardy Smith.** Deputy Safeguarding Leads are Diane Martin (SENCo), Ian Phillips (Vice Principal) and Rachel Few (Learning mentor) **Please share any concerns 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 9th February – Last day of Term 3 / School disco Monday 19th February – First day of Term 4 Thursday 28th March – Last day of Term 4 Monday 15th April – First day of Term 5 Tuesday 21st May – Sports Day @WW Thursday 23rd May – Sports Day @H Friday 24th May – Last day of Term 5 Monday 3rd June - First day of Term 6 Wednesday 24th July – Last day of Term 6

INFORMATION



The Somerset Cricket Foundation are running free girls cricket hubs providing girls with additional opportunities to develop hardball cricket skills throughout the winter. The 8/10 week programme is open to girls in Year 4, 5 & 6 with the aim of supporting with key aspects of the game.

The girls cricket hub is being hosted at Weston College on Fridays at 5pm - 6.30pm The dates are as follows:

January - 19th 26th

February - 2nd, 9th, 23rd

March - 1st, 8th, 15th & 22nd

Booking link https://somersetcricketfoundation.org/women-and-girls-cricket/girls-cricket/girls-cricket-camps/ Contact details - amber.casely@somersetcricketfoundation.org

POSITIVE PARENTING

Time Out For Parents

Handling Anger in the Family

Positive Parenting Time Out for Parents courses from Care for the Family provide common sense, jargon-free information and ideas to help you to engage with your children and boost your relationship.

If you have children aged 5 to 16, then *Time Out for Parents — Handling Anger in the Family* is for you. Over four sessions, you'll increase your skills and confidence as a parent and discover practical tools to help you and your children deal with the ordinary, everyday anger that all families experience.

The Sessions

Session 1 Managing our anger - part 1

Session 2 Managing our anger - part 2

Session 3 Helping children manage anger – part 1

Session 4 Helping children manage anger - part 2

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