



Whole School Newsletter

St Anne's CE Primary School and Nursery
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Weekly Update

It has been a lovely week in school, with a whole range of exciting learning happening. Our new arrivals, in Nursery, Reception Class and across school have all settled well.

It is impressive to see the children growing and becoming more confident. Every day, we support our children to become more independent, this can be supported through a range of approaches that you can support:

Encourage your child to prepare and pack for school with you- this helps them to know what is in their bag, including lunch and snack.

As a general rule, we ask that children are left at the inner gate, where staff are there to meet them and walk them in. We understand that sometimes children need extra reassurance to walk in and need a little support from time to time. This should be the exception rather than the rule, though. In no circumstances should parents be entering school at the start of the day via the playground. Any conversation should be via the office or the members of teaching staff on the gate. You can also send messages via Dojo.

Finally, although the majority of school come in wearing PE kits on PE days, do ensure children can tie their laces, use clothes fastenings and recognise their own belongings. We have a growing number of black hoodies in lost property, unnamed. It is really important for children to understand the importance and value of their possessions.

We really appreciate your support with this!

Our school has signed up to the 'Let's go zero!' Approach- finding ways to look after our environment.

Next week is recycling week. If you have any interesting recycling stories or methods (eg old wellies as plant pots) do send me a Dojo and a photo, it would be great to share them!

Have a lovely weekend together, and I look forward to seeing you all on Monday. Very best wishes, Mrs Harvey

Mrs Harvey
Headteacher



You are the Light of the World



YEAR 6 TRANSITION TO HIGH SCHOOL

SEPTEMBER 2026

Information can be found here about how to apply for your child's year 7 place: <https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/council-services/schools-education-and-learning/apply-school-place>

The deadline to make your application is 31st October 2025 and you will be notified of your child's allocated place on 2nd March 2026.

The Bewdley School's open evening is September 18th and more details can be found here: <https://www.bewdley.worcs.sch.uk/>

The importance of making an application on time cannot be stressed enough. Making a late application can have a huge impact on the most vulnerable of children. A late application can only be considered after all those received on time. In areas where place availability is more limited some, applying late, cannot be accommodated in local schools, and in some cases, children have not been able to attend the same school as their siblings.

Newly added events will appear in red



- Tuesday 23rd September - Phonics and Guided Reading Workshop for Reception, Y1 and Y2 Parents - 9am
- Wednesday 24th September - School Photos - Individual Portraits and Sibling Photos
- Friday 26th September - Celebration Assembly - 9am - For Invited Parents
- Friday 26th September - Women's Rugby Day - Visit from Worcester Warriors
- Tuesday 30th September - KS2 (Years 3,4,5 and 6) Reading Workshop for Parents - 9am
- Tuesday 30th September - Nasal Flu Vaccination Reception Class - Year 6
- Tuesday 7th October - Movement Workshop for Reception Parents - 9am
- Monday 6th October - Year 5 trip to Birmingham Mosque
- Thursday 8th October - PTFA Discos
- Thursday 8th October - Non School Uniform Day
- Thursday 9th October - Harvest Festival - Children to walk to Church
- Friday 10th October - Young Minds Mental Health Awareness Day - Information to follow
- Tuesday 14th October - KS2 (Years 3,4,5 and 6) Maths Workshop for Parents - 9am
- Friday 17th October - Celebration Assembly - 9am - For Invited Parents
- Tuesday 21st October - Maths Workshop for Reception, Years 1 and 2 Parents - 9am
- Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd October - Parents Evening - Details to Follow
- Friday 24th October - Spooky Fun Run - Details to Follow
- **Monday 27th - Friday 31st October - Half Term - School and Nursery Closed**
- Friday 7th November - PTFA Fireworks Night
- Tuesday 11th November - Y2 trip to Alcester Museum



NEWS FROM ST ANNES CHURCH

So the summer is well and truly over; those hot sunny days are just a memory and the shorter days warn us that winter is not far behind. Here in St Anne's church we are still a long way from our next season, when on the 16th November we have Advent Sunday. But as always, the church is busy, and lots of our congregation who come to the school to help are all back at work. All of us here are specially thrilled to hear that Ofsted have delivered such a glowing report. Richly deserved!

Next time I'll tell you about our Away day held last month that helped us look at the What and Why of St Anne's Church.



Chair: Luci Boardman

Treasure: Cherri Milak

Secretary: Josh Peace

Email: New contact details coming soon!

PTFA DISCOS—8th October 2025

Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 - 3:15-4:15.

Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 - 4:30-5:30.

Children can wear non-school uniform this day.

Tickets MUST be bought in advance via ParentPay by October 7th.

£2.50 per child, to include squash

The first disco is straight after school, parents do not need to pick up children that are attending, staff will take them to the disco. (For those children who finish before the first disco starts, school staff will look after them and take them to the disco at 3:15). If your child is in nursery and it is not a normal day for them to attend, but they are going to the disco please drop them off at 3:15 to the school office. However, we do ask that parents do not attend the disco as we will have plenty of staff on hand.

- For the very youngest, the nursery staff and reception staff will be accompanying them and will be on hand to help with spending money etc. The PTFA are also there to help the very little ones.
- Children at the first disco will be dismissed from their classrooms after the disco.
- If your child needs to be collected by fun house or the Orchard, please arrange that with them directly.
- Spending money can be sent in with your child - in a named envelope or purse.

Children attending the 2nd disco must go home as normal. We are asking that parents drop and go at the 2nd disco, we can assure you that there will be plenty of school staff supervising at all times.

If your child needs to be collected by fun house or the Orchard, please arrange that with them directly.

The Orchard - if your child needs to attend wraparound before or after the disco you will need to pay for both wraparound as normal and the disco.

Nursery Wrap - if your child is booked into nursery wrap after school they can go to the disco if you want them to and a member of the nursery team will take them.



**SCHOOL PHOTOS - INDIVIDUAL PORTRAITS AND SIBLINGS - WEDNESDAY 24TH
SEPTEMBER**

School Photos will be taken on September 24th. This is individual and sibling photos.

If you have a child who does not yet attend school or who will not be in nursery on this day you are welcome to bring your children in for a sibling photo between 8:30 and 9:00. We arrange sibling photos for children who are in school or nursery as normal that day

**PARENT WORKSHOPS - SEE "DATES FOR THE DIARY" FOR DETAILS ON EACH
WORKSHOP**


Over the coming weeks we running a number of Parent Workshops. These are a great opportunity for parents to come into school, meet some of our staff and visit your child's class.

Each workshop starts at 9:00am, with an introduction from a member of staff in the school hall. You will then have the chance to visit your child's class.

(The Reception Movement workshop will just be in the school hall).

There is no need to book for these workshops, just come to the school office for 9am.

Notice Board



**PIN YOUR
POPPY**

Get involved in this year's Remembrance Day commemorations by creating a poppy and placing it on the Unknown Tommy.


Pin your poppy by Monday 3 November to pay tribute to servicemen and women – past and present.

Please make sure the poppy is secured safely with a hook.

To find out more visit
westmercia-pcc.gov.uk/pinyourpoppy

The project has been funded by:


Created by:

Get involved in this year's Remembrance Day commemorations and pay tribute to servicemen and women – past and present – by creating and pinning a poppy onto an Unknown Tommy statue by Sunday 2nd November 2025.

A total of six statues have been made by The British Ironwork Centre, funded by the PCC, to cover West Mercia.

The statues are located outside police stations at [Malinsgate](#), [Malvern](#), [Hereford](#), [Kidderminster](#) and [Shrewsbury](#)

There is also a statue based at West Mercia Police Headquarters at Hindlip for police staff and officers to pin their poppies on to.

During week commencing Monday 3rd November, the 'Tommies' will be gathered and taken to Malvern police station, ahead of an event taking place there that will pay respect to servicemen and women, both past and present.



CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL

If you are able to donate any items for the Christmas Shoe Box Appeal they would be very much appreciated.

Full details of what can be donated can be found here: <https://teams4u.com/shoebox-faq/>

but generally, small toys in good condition, new stationary, new hats, gloves, socks, toothpaste and brushes, soap and little colouring books are amongst the items that can be donated.

St Anne's Church are making the boxes and have asked for items to be donated by Friday 12th September.

THURSDAY 9TH OCTOBER - HARVEST FESTIVAL - CHILDREN TO WALK TO CHURCH

Children will walk to St Anne's Church for Harvest Festival on this day for a Harvest Service from Rev. Melissa Beynon. Unfortunately, due to space we are not able to invite parents to join us.

We will be collecting for our local food banks. If you are able to donate any (in date) dried, canned or long life food please do so. You are also able to donate pet food, baby items such as nappies, and toiletries. All items must be sealed/unused and in date where necessary.

Please bring any contributions to the school office on the day, or leading up to Harvest festival. Thank you.



Attendance at St Anne's

| | EYFS/KS1 | | | LKS2 | | UKS2 | | |
|-----------|--------------|----------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|--------------|---------------|
| Class | YR Cherry | Y1 Chestnut | Y2 Pine | Y3 Oak | Y4 Ash | Y5 Cedar | Y5 Willow | Y6 Redwood |
| This Week | 100% | 97% | 99% | 85% | 98% | 99% | 95% | 97% |
| This Term | 100% | 96% | 96% | 91% | 97% | 98% | 94% | 97% |
| This Year | 100% | 96% | 96% | 91% | 97% | 98% | 94% | 97% |

Our best attending classes this week

EYFS/KS1



LKS2



UKS2



St Anne's CofE Primary School - Term Dates

September 2025 - July 2026

AUTUMN TERM 2025

Autumn 1

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| TED 1 | Monday 1st September 2025 |
| TED 2 | Tuesday 2nd December 2025 |
| Start date | Wednesday 3rd September 2025 |
| End date | Friday 24th October 2025 |

October Half Term Holiday
Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October

Autumn 2

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|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| Start date | Monday 3rd November 2025 |
| End date | Thursday 18th December 2025 |
| TED 3 | Friday 19th December 2025 |

Christmas Holiday
Monday 22nd December - Friday 2nd January

SPRING TERM 2026

Spring 1

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| Start date | Monday 5th January 2026 |
| End date | Friday 13th February 2026 |

February Half Term Holiday
Monday 16th February - Friday 20th February

Spring 2

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| Start date | Monday 23rd February 2026 |
| End date | Friday 27th March 2026 |

Easter Holiday
Monday 30th March - Friday 10th April

SUMMER 2026

Summer 1

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| Start date | Monday 13th April 2026 |
| Bank Holiday | Monday 4th May 2026 |
| End date | Thursday 21st May 2026 |
| TED 4 | Friday 22nd May 2026 |

May Half Term Holiday
Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May

Summer 2

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| Start date | Monday June 1st 2026 |
| End date | Friday 17th July 2026 |
| TED 5 | Monday 20th July 2026 |

Penalty Notice Fines for School Attendance are Changing!

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty notices, the following changes will come into force on 19th August 2024.

[Working together to improve school attendance \(applies from 19 August 2024\)](https://publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/125444/Working_together_to_improve_school_attendance.pdf) (publishing.service.gov.uk)

Per Parent, Per Child

Penalty Notice Fines can be issued to each parent, for each child that was absent from school if the headteacher has not authorised the absence.

For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines.

5 consecutive days of term time leave / 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10 week period

Penalty Notices Fines can be issued for unauthorised term time leave (code G) of 5 days (10 sessions) or more.

First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for term time leave or irregular attendance the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days.

Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

Second Offence (Within 3 years)

The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for term time leave or irregular attendance the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child, to be paid within 28 days.

Third Offence and any further offences (within 3 years)

The third time an offence is committed for term time leave or irregular attendance a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the case may be presented to the Magistrates' Court under S4441 Education Act 1996. Cases found guilty in the Magistrates' Court could result in a fine up to £2500 per parent per child, and will also hold a criminal record, for failing to secure regular attendance.

Mixed unauthorised codes that meet 10 sessions

For 5 days (10 sessions) of other unauthorised absences recorded in a rolling 10 week period, a 20 day Notice to Improve can be issued by the school.

COMPULSORY SCHOOL AGE

Your child must start full-time education once they reach compulsory school age. This is on 31 December, 31 March or 31 August following their fifth birthday - whichever comes first. If your child's fifth birthday is on one of those dates then they reach compulsory school age on that date.

UNAUTHORISED CODES WHICH MAYBE USED FOR ISSUING PENALTY NOTICES

G - Family holiday (not agreed)

O - Absent in other or unknown circumstances

A - Arrived in school after registration closes (9:30am)

N - Reason for absence not yet established

REMINDER OF OUR NEW SCHOOL TIMES

- Nursery – no change, 9 am – 3 pm
 - Reception Class - 8.50 am – 3.10 pm
 - Year 1- 6 Gates will still open from 8.40
- Registration will be from 8.45 instead of 8.50 and the end of the day is 3.15 instead of 3.10 (5 minutes difference at each end of the day).