



# Whole School Newsletter

St Anne's CE Primary School and Nursery  
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## Weekly Update

I was impressed by a reflection this week. Yesterday, our Faith Crew went to church with Mrs Gripton and joined members of our church family and volunteers to put together the shoeboxes for the Christmas appeal.

While adding items to the boxes, the children reflected on how so little could mean so much to those in need. One of our Year 6 boys talked about realising how lucky he is to have gifts such as his at Christmas, when some children will only have the boxes donated today. To hear about this made me incredibly proud that our children understand and appreciate the need to help and support others.

Next week, we are going to church for our Harvest Service. Do look out for requests for walkers; your help is always appreciated.

We ask for non-perishable items of food and toiletries that can be donated to the Food Bank for Harvest this year. Please send them in by Thursday morning if you would like to support this worthwhile cause.

Finally, do look out for the opportunity to join the volunteer what's app group to support our school fundraising. Both the Disco and fireworks are fast approaching! All help is warmly welcomed!

Thank you all for your support with all that we do to support our own charity (PTFA) and others.

Hoping you all have a happy weekend

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.

## **RECEPTION INTAKE - SEPTEMBER 2025**

We are already thinking about the next school year as the application website for 2026 Reception Class places opens.

If you have a child that is due to start Primary School in September 2026 you have until 15th January to make your application.

You can do so by visiting the following website:

[https://emsi.worcestershire.gov.uk/CitizenPortal LIVE/en](https://emsi.worcestershire.gov.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE/en)

**The closing date is the 15<sup>th</sup> of January 2025 Online, or by email** and you will be notified of your child's place on 16th April 2026.

Newly added events will appear in red



- 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
- **Friday 24th October - Year 3 trip to Dudley Zoo (We will endeavor to arrange an alternative date for the Spooky Fun Run)**

**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
- **Wednesday 3rd - Friday 5th December - Year 4 Residential to Pioneer Centre**



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**

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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.

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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.

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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.



**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.

**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 form 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<br>Cherry | Y1<br>Chestnut | Y2<br>Pine | Y3<br>Oak | Y4<br>Ash | Y5<br>Cedar | Y5<br>Willow | Y6<br>Redwood |
| This Week | 100%         | 96.90%         | 100%       | 98.67%    | 96.55%    | 95.60%      | 97.14%       | 85.33%        |
| This Term | 100%         | 95.05%         | 99.74%     | 95.80%    | 97.45%    | 96.87%      | 95.13%       | 94.35%        |
| This Year | 100%         | 95.05%         | 99.74%     | 95.80%    | 97.45%    | 96.87%      | 95.13%       | 94.35%        |

## Our best attending classes this week

EYFS/KS1

 **Cherry**  
Class

 **Pine**  
Class

LKS2

 **Oak**  
Class

UKS2

 **Willow**  
Class





Our very own Mr Denton is performing in Dick Whittington this year, you might just be able to recognise him in the poster above... If you would like to support him and have a fun night out this Christmas you can book tickets below:

<https://www.seaty.co.uk/dickwhittington?refId=852a34ab-4725-4035-86be-f2d19314044a&refName=U2NvdHQgRGVudG9u>

## St Anne's CofE Primary School - Term Dates

### September 2025 - July 2026

#### AUTUMN TERM 2025

##### Autumn 1

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

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

##### Autumn 2

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

Christmas Holiday  
Monday 22nd December - Friday 2nd January

#### SPRING TERM 2026

##### Spring 1

|                   |                                  |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|
| <b>Start date</b> | <b>Monday 5th January 2026</b>   |
| <b>End date</b>   | <b>Friday 13th February 2026</b> |

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

##### Spring 2

|                   |                                  |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|
| <b>Start date</b> | <b>Monday 23rd February 2026</b> |
| <b>End date</b>   | <b>Friday 27th March 2026</b>    |

Easter Holiday  
Monday 30th March - Friday 10th April

#### SUMMER 2026

##### Summer 1

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

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

##### Summer 2

|                   |                              |
|-------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>Start date</b> | <b>Monday June 1st 2026</b>  |
| <b>End date</b>   | <b>Friday 17th July 2026</b> |
| 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 19<sup>th</sup> 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](https://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).