



Whole School Newsletter

St Anne's CE Primary School and Nursery
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Weekly Update



It has been another great week in school; despite a few absences, our team has rallied to ensure continuity for our children. Year 6 have completed their mock SATS and we are very proud of their positive approach to these papers. Well done!

We're delighted to share that Reverend Mel and I have begun the application process for the **Church and School Partnership Award**. This is a really positive opportunity for us to celebrate and strengthen the close relationship between our school and the church, as we continue to grow together as one community. We shared this information with our Governors last Monday and we are excited to take the next steps. The award encourages schools and churches to reflect on how they work together, recognising that strong, effective relationships can have a hugely positive impact on everyone involved. Many partnerships already include shared worship, special services at Christmas and Easter, and regular visits and this award helps to value and build on all that is already happening. The Church and School Partnership Award is about conversation, collaboration and celebration. It invites both school and church to look openly at what we already offer one another, and to explore new and meaningful ways to deepen our relationship so that all may flourish and experience "life in all its fullness" (John 10:10). There are **Bronze, Silver and Gold** levels within the award, which reflect the depth and impact of the partnership rather than the number of activities. Wherever a church and school are on their journey together, the award provides guidance and encouragement for the next steps.

We're really looking forward to this process and to continuing to grow our shared life as school, church and wider community. We are holding a meeting with members of our Church Family after half term to discuss how we can gather evidence to show the wonderful connection we have and the positive impact this has.

Wishing you a happy week ahead, Mrs Jo Harvey



Mrs Harvey
Headteacher

You are the Light of the World

Newly added events will appear in red



- Friday 6th February - 9:00am - Achievers Assembly - for Invited Parents
- Friday 6th February - All Day - Tag Rugby Engagement Day with Worcester Warriors - Children can wear clothing suitable for Tag Rugby, but with a Number Day twist (For example, a Football Kit would be ideal).
- Friday 6th February - All Day - NSPCC Number Day - Dress for Digits (and Tag Rugby)
- Monday 9th February - Year 5 Residential Meeting for Parents 3:20 - Willow Class

February Half Term

Monday 16th February - Friday 20th February

- W/C 23rd February - Year 5 Bikeability
- Wednesday 4th March - Parents Evening (details to follow)
- Thursday 5th March - Parents Evening (details to follow)
- Thursday 5th March - Year 4 Bikeability
- Friday 6th March - Year 1 trip to Lower Smite Farm
- Friday 13th March - Reception Class Mother's Day Lunch
- Monday 16th March - Reception Class Trip to Bishops Wood
- Wednesday 18th—Friday 20th March 2026 - Year 5 Residential to St Briavels Castle
- Monday 23rd March - Rock Steady Concert for invited parents
- Tuesday 14th April - Y1 & Y2 trip to Telford Wonderland (details to follow)

Worcester Warriors Tag Rugby Engagement day Reception to Year 6

Friday 6 February

Worcester Warriors will be in school for our Tag Rugby Engagement day on Friday 6th February. Each class will have a chance to play Tag Rugby with member of the Worcester Warriors Rugby Team.

Please ensure that children dress appropriately for Tag Rugby, and wear their trainers to school. As it fall on the same day as NSPCC Number day, they are welcome to add a numerical twist to their outfit! For example a Football kit would work well.



**WORCESTER
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FOUNDATION**

NSPCC Number Day

Friday 9th February 2026

Take up the challenge and Dress up for Digits!

To help raise awareness for the NSPCC, we will be taking part in NSPCC Number Day. Children will take part in a variety of interesting and fun number related activities. They are also invited to wear an item of clothing with a number on it or something number related in return for donation to the NSPCC:

[Click here to donate to the NSPCC](#)

Please note: we also have our Tag Rugby engagement day on Friday 9th February so please ensure children are dressed appropriately for Tag Rugby with a Number Day Twist!

Your contributions will help provide vital services that protect children from harm and ensure they have the safe and nurturing environment they deserve. Together, we can make a significant impact! Join us in making Number Day not just fun, but also meaningful!

Bewdley
Parish and
All Saints,
Wribbenhall



News from St Anne's Church

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Now that we have reached the end of January our Christmas season has finished at church. The big Christmas tree that has shone its twinkly lights through this month will be taken down and we will celebrate Candlemas on February 2nd. This marks Jesus' visit to the temple with his parents to dedicate him to God. The priest Simeon said Jesus would be a "light to the world", and so next Sunday will be a celebration of the light that has come into the world. It is a moving service; we sing the words of old Simeon, "Lord, now let me depart in peace, for my eyes have seen your salvation".

Now we look forward to Ash Wednesday on February 18th, not forgetting Pancake Day on the 17th!

A poster for Mother's Day Lunch. It features a large pink oval in the center with a white border. The text "Mother's Day" is written in a dark brown, cursive font, and "LUNCH" is in a dark brown, sans-serif font. Below the title, there are three paragraphs of text in a dark brown, sans-serif font. The background is light pink with floral and heart patterns. The entire poster is framed by a dark green border with rounded corners.

Mother's *Day* LUNCH

Reception children would like to invite their Mum, Grandma, Aunty or someone special in for lunch on Friday 13th March 2026.

There is space for 1 adult per child.
Please join us from 11:30.

There is a small charge of £3.50, please book and make payment via ParentPay by Monday 2nd March.



Bewdley Bridge Club



Are hosting

Family, Friendly, Fun for All Bridge Taster Sessions

Where: Heightington Village Hall

When: Sunday 1st February and
Sunday 1st March

Time: 1.30pm until 4.30pm

Please confirm your attendance

Curious about Bridge?
Then please contact

Eileen Oakley
07974 743575
eileen@oakleydevelopment.co.uk



Bring your Children to the bridge table



FREE fun Introduction to Cards

Designed for Children of all ages



Experience playing Face 2 Face



Prizes for the winners



Wednesday 18th February 2026

10.00am to 2.00pm (bring a packed lunch)

Heightington Village Hall

DY12 2XU

Please contact Eileen Oakley to confirm attendance

07974 743575

eileen@oakleydevelopment.co.uk





Chair: Luci Boardman
Treasure: Cherri Milak
Secretary: Josh Peace
Email: stannesprimarypta@gmail.com



COULD YOU DONATE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING?

1. Empty, clean jam jars.
2. Unwanted Christmas jumpers, dresses, t-shirts.
3. Any unwanted Christmas gifts such as gift sets, that we can use as raffle prizes.
4. Good condition, school jumpers or cardigans (with the school logo) and ties.

Donations can be dropped off to the school office.

Many thanks, St Anne's PTFA.



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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
Last Week	98.90%	95%	97.65%	99%	93%	100%	93.33%	89.68%
This Term	99.37%	92.66%	95.40%	97.38%	91.79%	97.62%	94.69%	93.32%
This Year	99.84%	93.17%	97.95%	95.29%	96.55%	95.90%	95.60%	93.93%

Our best attending classes

EYFS/KS1



Cherry
Class

LKS2



Oak
Class

UKS2



Cedar
Class

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
Start date	Wednesday 3rd September 2025
End date	Friday 24th October 2025

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

Autumn 2

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

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

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

Spring 2

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

Easter Holiday
Monday 30th March - Friday 10th April

SUMMER 2026

Summer 1

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

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

FREE SCHOOL MEALS AND PUPIL PREMIUM

(This information is not related to the free school meals that all children are entitled to until the end of year 3)

Does my Child Qualify for Free School Meals?

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

Income Support

income-based Jobseeker's Allowance

income-related Employment and Support Allowance

support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

the guaranteed element of Pension Credit

Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)

Working Tax Credit run-on – paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

Universal Credit – if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

If you qualify for free school meal

s not only will your child receive free meals, but our school will receive additional funding too. Please do apply even if your child currently gets Universal Infant Free School Meals (Reception, Y1 & Y2) as the school will still receive additional funding.

How to apply

You can apply for Free School Meals by completing an online application form which can be found here:

<https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/council-services/schools-education-and-learning/free-school-meals/apply-free-school-meals>

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 \(applies from 19 August 2024\) \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/125444/Working_together_to_improve_school_attendance.pdf)

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

U - 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).