



Whole School Newsletter

St Anne's CE Primary School and Nursery
Wyre Hill, Bewdley, DY12 2UQ.

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Weekly Update



As we come to the end of a very successful half term, it is wonderful to reflect on all that has been achieved across our school community. The children have worked incredibly hard and continue to demonstrate enthusiasm, resilience, and kindness in all they do. It is hard to believe that we are now halfway through the academic year — time really does fly when there is so much learning and growth taking place.

I would like to thank you for your understanding as we have made changes to our Orchard Wraparound. It remains extremely important that bookings are made 48 hours (or more) in advance, to ensure the correct ratio of staff to children. I would also like to thank all of our Orchard and admin staff for working so hard during this period of change.

If your child is absent due to illness, please message or call the office each day before 9.30am. The class teacher may not see messages before registration, whereas Mrs Henderson will. She records all absences in line with our legal duty and will always make a telephone call home if the office has not been contacted directly. She will also notify relevant staff. All absences are closely monitored. Thank you for your support in this.

We now break up for the February half term, giving everyone a well-earned opportunity to rest and recharge. We are beginning to enjoy lighter mornings and evenings; gentle reminders that Spring is on its way. We look forward to drier, brighter days ahead and a few less wet playtimes!

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and partnership. Have a lovely week!

Best wishes

Mrs Jo Harvey



Mrs Harvey
Headteacher

You are the Light of the World

Newly added events will appear in red



Spring Term

February Half Term

Monday 16th February - Friday 20th February

- W/C 23rd February - Year 5 Bikeability
- Wednesday 4th March - Parents Evening
- Thursday 5th March - Parents Evening
- Wednesday 4th March - Year 4 Bikeability
- Thursday 5th March—World Book Day
- 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)

The graphic features a central red circle with a white border, set against a light pink background decorated with yellow flowers, green leaves, and pink hearts. The text is centered within the circle.

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.



Chair: Luci Boardman
Treasurer: 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
This Week	100%	90.42%	94.12%	94.81%	97.78%	97.53%	94.18%	97.13%
This Term	99.21%	91.91%	95.88%	95.50%	94.27%	95.84%	96.07%	94.40%
This Year	99.72%	92.89%	97.74%	95.03%	96.57%	95.80%	95.71%	94.14%

Our best attending classes

EYFS/KS1



Cherry
Class

LKS2



Ash
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



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



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 \(applies from 19 August 2024\) \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](#)

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).