



Whole School Newsletter

St Anne's CE Primary School and Nursery
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Newsletter 20
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Weekly Update



Welcome back! I hope you all enjoyed time together last week.

It has been great first week back after half term, we even enjoyed some lovely sunshine-a rare treat recently!

I have thoroughly enjoyed teaching Year 6 PE this week, their focus and approach to the lessons was great. Also, a big thank you to all Y6 parents who came to the SATS information session, revision books are available to purchase on ParentPay.

Today was the last day for children to put their names forward for the upcoming Talent Show. We will be auditioning on Wednesday in school time. When the final acts are chosen, we will let families know. We are planning an evening performance on Thursday 26th March.

I am also excited to announce a photography competition. The theme is 'Rivers' and I am inviting children to take part. Entries should be submitted by Monday 13th April. Entries and winners will be displayed as part of the Rivers Festival in Bewdley.

I hope that you all have a lovely weekend

Best wishes

Mrs Harvey



Mrs Harvey
Headteacher

You are the Light of the World

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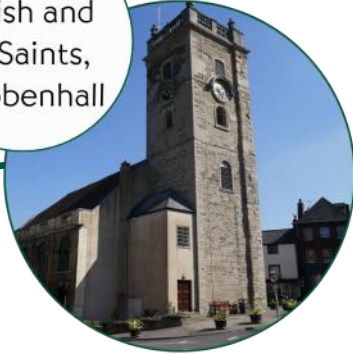


- Monday 2nd March - St Anne's Book Swap
- Wednesday 4th March - Parents Evening
- Thursday 5th March - Parents Evening
- Wednesday 4th March - Year 4 Bikeability
- Thursday 5th March - World Book Day
- Friday 6th March - Year 1 trip to Lower Smite Farm
- Friday 6th March - Celebration Assembly for Invited Parents
- Friday 13th March - Reception Class Mother's Day Lunch
- Friday 13th March - Non School Uniform - in exchange for a teddy or chocolate donation
- Monday 16th March - Reception Class Trip to Bishops Wood
- Wednesday 18th - Friday 20th March 2026 - Year 5 Residential to St Briavels Castle
- Friday 20th March - Wear Something Silly (With Uniform) For Comic Relief
- Monday 23rd March - Rock Steady Concert for invited parents
- Thursday 26th March - St Anne's Got Talent - (full details to follow)

Easter Holidays - Monday 30th March - Friday 10th April

- Tuesday 14th April - Y1 & Y2 trip to Telford Wonderland (details to follow)
- Tuesday 17th April - PTFA Springo Family Bingo (details to follow)
- Monday 27th April - PTFA Meeting - Time TBC
- Thursday 21st May - School Discos (details to follow)

Bewdley
Parish and
All Saints,
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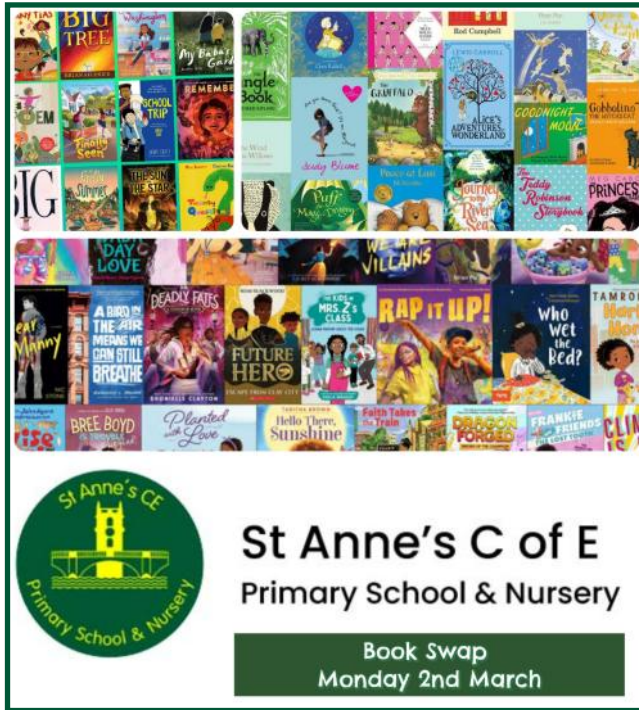
News from St Anne's Church

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Here at St Anne's we are beginning the season of Lent. It is a time when we prepare for the season of Easter by reflecting on the story of Jesus' death and resurrection through study and prayer.

Inside the church you will find all the colourful flowers and decorations have been removed; our beautiful deep purple banners replace the bright ones and the music we sing is sombre and thoughtful.

Easter Sunday comes early this year (I could explain why it moves to different places in the calendar but I'll just say it's all to do with the moon) but it's interesting that the Muslim Ramadan occurs at almost the same time as Lent this year. It will be good to celebrate Eid and Easter together with our Muslim neighbours this year!



ST ANNE'S BOOK SWAP - MONDAY 2ND MARCH

As part of World Book Day week and to celebrate the National Year of Reading, we will be hosting the St Anne's Book Swap event in school. We ask that children bring in a book to participate in the swap.

Children will be able to choose a book to bring back home with them. When we have previously hosted this event in school, it has been very exciting and it provides the perfect

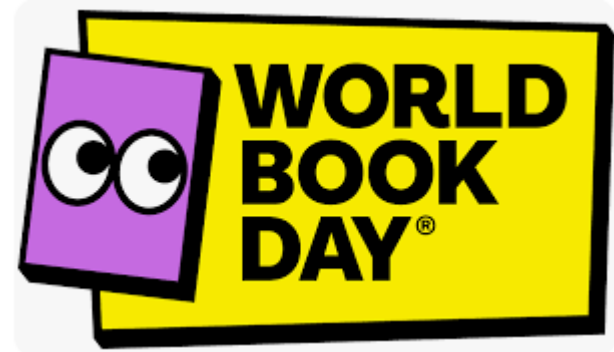
opportunity to further promote a love of reading and book talk amongst our learners.

Please send children in with their book on Monday 2nd March.

(Books can absolutely be preloved but please ensure that they are appropriate and not heavily damaged).

THURSDAY 5TH MARCH - WORLD BOOK DAY

All children are invited to dress as one of their favourite book characters to help us celebrate World Book Day (Thursday 5th March).





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



Thank you to everyone who attended the PTFA EGM on Tuesday it was great to see some new faces!

As always, we are looking for volunteers and have a dedicated PTFA Volunteer whatsapp group which you are welcome to join. Please use the below link to request access.

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/CKuWgQmqo5TJYel464rsfB?mode=join>

In the coming weeks/months we will be looking for volunteers to help pack our Mother's Day Gifts, man the stalls at the upcoming disco and a family bingo, collect donations on the gate on non school uniform day and more. If you think you can help, please join the whatsapp group and we will post updates in there.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

We have lots of events and activities in the pipeline, including school discos, the chance to win a golden ticket in one of our Wonkalicious chocolate bars. We are planning St Anne's Summer of Pennies and Springo Family Bingo. Details of all these things and more will be shared soon!

Many thanks, St Anne's PTFA.



MOTHER'S DAY GIFTS BROUGHT
TO YOU BY ST ANNE'S PTFA

Mother's Day Afternoon Tea Gift Bags

This Mother's Day the PTFA are offering the children the opportunity to buy an Afternoon Tea for their Mums, Aunties, Nans and those special to them.

Available to order on ParentPay

£3 per bag.

*Please place orders by Sunday 8th March
and bags will come home w/c 9th March.*

*Each bag will include a scrumptious scone,
an individually wrapped teabag, a portion
of jam and a chocolate.*



Limited to 4 per child. Please be aware there are only 180 gift bags available in total and they are being sold on a first come, first served basis.

Image is for illustration purposes only.

NON SCHOOL UNIFORM DAY

FRIDAY 13TH MARCH

CHILDREN ARE INVITED TO WEAR NON-SCHOOL UNIFORM ON FRIDAY 13TH MARCH IN RETURN FOR A TEDDY OR CHOCOLATE DONATION THAT WILL BE USED BY THE PTFA FOR FUNDRAISING.



COMIC RELIEF - FRIDAY 20TH MARCH

Wear something silly to support Comic Relief - Children are invited to **wear something silly WITH their normal uniform** to support Comic Relief.

We will also be selling the Red Noses in the week leading up to Red Nose day. These will be sold in school, and are £2.50 each. This years Red Nose theme is Design-Yer Noses!

You are also invited to make a contribution to Comic Relief here, if you would like to:

https://www.justgiving.com/page/st-annes-comic-relief?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL&utm_campaign=020

**WEAR
SOMETHING
SILLY**

**COMIC
RELIEF**



Kids' Slime Making Workshop

Bring the kids along to a free, slime making workshop on ...

2pm on Monday 2nd March

Whilst the kids are entertained making slime, parents and carers are free for coffee & conversation! Meet the Worcestershire Parent Carer Forum reps, talk about what's going well in school and share areas for improvement. Ask questions, hear about local SEN support services and share your views & experiences with the fully independent parent carer reps.

PINS at
ST. ANNES



Worcestershire
**PARENT CARER
FORUM**



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% | 90.34% | 93.53% | 95.33% | 97.67% | 94.29% | 97.41% | 96.77% |
| This Term | 99.23% | 91.87% | 95.75% | 95.57% | 94.31% | 96.06% | 95.84% | 94.38% |
| This Year | 99.27% | 92.87% | 97.67% | 95.08% | 96.57% | 95.71% | 95.80% | 94.15% |

Our best attending classes

EYFS/KS1



Cherry
Class

LKS2



Ash
Class

UKS2



Willow
Class

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 |

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).