



# Whole School Newsletter

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

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Newsletter 30  
21st May 2026



## Weekly Update

Our Rivers Day was truly brilliant and a fantastic example of creative learning across the curriculum. Throughout the day, children immersed themselves in a wide range of river-themed activities and we saw inspiring work in art, maths, writing, poetry, DT and, of course, geography. The enthusiasm and excitement around school was wonderful to see, and the buzz of learning lasted all day long.

This week also marked the final Open the Book Collective Worship for this academic year. A HUGE thank you goes to our church family who faithfully give their time each week to bring Bible stories to life for our children in such engaging and meaningful ways. We are incredibly grateful for their continued support and look forward to welcoming them back in September. In the second half of the Summer Term, we will begin our 'Steps to Spirituality' focus. This outdoor-based approach to Collective Worship gives children opportunities to spend time exploring and appreciating the environment around us, while reflecting on the many things we are thankful for.

We were also delighted this week to welcome our new Reception children and their families into school. It was a lovely evening spent visiting the classroom, meeting key staff, and helping children become familiar with their new surroundings. It is always a privilege to welcome families as they begin the next exciting step in their journey with us.

As we come to the end of the half term, I would like to thank our entire community- our children, families, staff, church members, and neighbours- for the ongoing support given to our school. Together, we continue to flourish and grow.

I hope you all have a restful and enjoyable half term break.

Best wishes

Mrs Harvey



Mrs Harvey  
Headteacher

# You are the Light of the World

Newly added events will appear in red



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

- Tuesday 4th June - We Sing the River's Voice Creative Workshop 4-6pm (flyer below with full details)
- Friday 5th June - Achievers Assembly for Invited Parents
- Monday 8th June - Class Photos and Year 6 Leavers Photos
- Monday 22nd June - KS2 Sports Day
- **Wednesday 24th June - KS1 Sports Day - Please note the date change**
- Wednesday 24th - Friday 26th June - Year 6 Trip to Liverpool
- **Friday 26th June - Achievers for Invited Parents - Cancelled**
- Friday 26th June - Nursery and Reception Sports Day
- Friday 26th June - Zumba Engagement Day
- Tuesday 30th June and Wednesday 1st July - Year 6 Transition Day to The Bewdley School
- Wednesday 1st July - St Anne's Whole School Transition Day
- Friday 3rd July - PTFA Line Dancing Event
- Thursday 9th July - iSingPop Concerts - 2pm and 6pm
- Friday 10th July - Achievers for Invited Parents
- Wednesday 15th July - Year 6 Leavers Production
- Thursday 16th July - Leavers Service at St Anne's Church - Year 6 Parents Invited to Watch - AM exact times TBC
- Thursday 16th July - Leavers Party - Early Evening - Times TBC

ST ANNE'S PTFA'S



# BEWDLEY BARN DANCE

JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF FUN, FOOD AND...

## LINE DANCING!

**JULY 3RD 2026 \* 6:00PM FOR A 6:30 START \* £6 PER PERSON**

With professional Line Dancing Caller, Jackie Ward  
jackieward@proton.me

Adult only event \* Prizes for best dressed \* Open to the local community \* Licenced Bar  
Hot food \* No experience necessary!

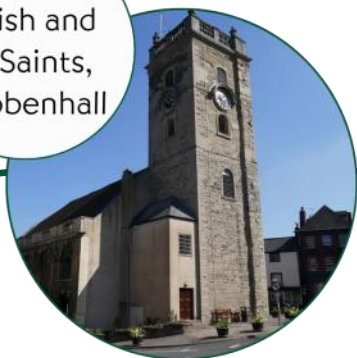
### IT'S SURE TO BE A BOOT-SCOOTIN' EVENING!

**CLICK HERE FOR TICKETS OR SCAN THE QR CODE**



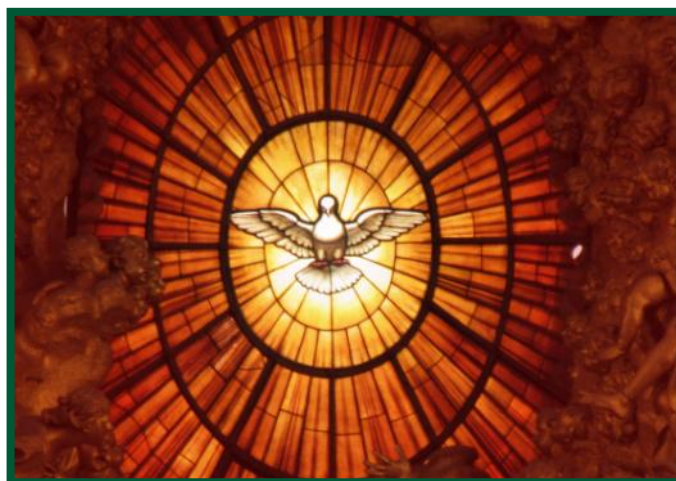
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Bewdley  
Parish and  
All Saints,  
Wribbenhall



## News from St Anne's Church

Next Sunday is Pentecost - or as us oldies call it, Whitsunday. It marks the end of the Easter season, fifty days (if you count the Sundays at each end of the season) since Easter Sunday. It marks the coming of the Holy Spirit to the disciples and here at St Anne's we try to wear something bright red, because the story in the Bible talks about the Spirit arriving with a rushing wind and tongues of fire. And though there will be candles, I'm pretty sure nothing will actually burst into flame! It is a day of celebration which is followed, next Sunday, by Trinity Sunday which is one for someone more expert in theology than me to explain. So let's just go with looking out my red jumper for this Sunday, and enjoy a warm, sunny Pentecost.



St Anne's C of E Primary School

iSing  
**POP**

**Concert Day**

On

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July**

**2pm & 6pm**

At

**St Anne's Church**

**DY12 2AP**

Please save the date for the iSingPOP concerts. Children from Reception to Year 6 will be taking part in this exciting event, being held at St Anne's Church.

More details on tickets will be shared next week!

# HALF-TERM EVENTS

23RD - 31ST MAY



## Scala Festival of Play

Saturday 23rd May, 10am - 5pm (free & drop-in)



## Lego® Club:

Every Saturday, 10 - 11:30am (free & drop-in)



## Elmer Day:

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 11:30am - 3pm (free & drop-in)



## Rat-a-tat Tales:

Every Saturday & Sunday, 11am & 3pm (free & drop-in)



## Wacky Wednesday:

Every Wednesday, 1:30 - 3pm (free & drop-in)



## Family Film:

Wednesday 27th May, 10am & 1pm (free & drop-in)



## Author Storytimes - Daisy Merle

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May, 10am & 11:30am (free & drop-in)



## Story Carousel

Thursday 29th May, 2pm-2:45pm (free & drop-in)



The **Hive**

a partnership between:



# We Sing the River's Voice

Bewdley Schools'  
CREATIVE Workshop

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 4-6pm**

St Anne's Primary School

*Create and perform  
new words, sounds and music  
to celebrate the River Severn*

This creative workshop is for young people  
aged 8-18 years at Bewdley Schools.

We will explore the **River Severn**  
through **words, sound, movement and music**  
focussing on our hopes, concerns and action  
for the river's healthy future.

The workshop will lead to a riverside  
performance on **Sunday 7th June 2-3pm**  
Meet at St Anne's Church 1.15pm

For the Creative Workshop you will need to bring:

- your imagination
- curiosity about the river
- drink and a snack
- everything else will be provided

**We Sing the River's Voice**  
celebrates the **River Severn** and all the life  
that it supports through sound, words,  
movement & song with young people from  
**Bewdley Schools & the Academy of Vocal Music**,  
vocal improvisers with **Ruana Xerri-West**,  
performance poet **Sipho Eric Ndlovu**,  
opera singer **Martin Robson**  
& **pop-up community choir**  
directed by award-winning composer  
**Liz Dilnot Johnson**  
as part of the **CARP BEWDLEY RIVER FESTIVAL 2026**



Liz Dilnot Johnson  
Composer, Poet



Martin Robson  
Singer



## MAIN EVENT:

*Riverside Park  
Sunday 7th June  
2-3pm*

For more information contact  
[lizdilnotjohnson.co.uk](mailto:lizdilnotjohnson.co.uk)

**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

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**End date Thursday 22nd October 2026**  
TED 3 Friday 23rd October 2026

October Half Term Holiday

Monday 26th October - Friday 30th October 2026

**Autumn 2**

**Start date Monday 2nd November 2026**  
**End date Thursday 17th December 2026**  
TED 4 Friday 18th December 2026

Christmas Holiday

Monday 21st December - Friday 1st January 2027

**SPRING TERM 2027**

**Spring 1**

**Start date Monday 4th January 2027**  
**End date Friday 12th February 2027**

February Half Term Holiday

Monday 15th February - Friday 19th February 2027

**Spring 2**

**Start date 22nd February 2027**  
**End date Thursday 25th March 2027**  
Bank Holiday Friday 26th March 2027

Easter Holiday

Monday 29th March - Friday 9th April 2027

**SUMMER 2027**

**Summer 1**

**Start date Monday 12th April 2027**  
Bank Holiday Monday 3rd May 2027  
**End date Friday 28th May 2027**

May Half Term Holiday

Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June 2027

**Summer 2**

TED 5 Monday 7th June 2027  
**Start date Tuesday 8th June 2027**  
**End date Wednesday 21st July 2027**

## 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 19<sup>th</sup> 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).