Whole School Newsletter

St Anne's CE Primary School and Nursery
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Newsletter 01 - 11th September 2026



Weekly Update

Welcome back to a brand-new school year! It has been absolutely lovely to see everyone return, and the school has quickly filled once again with happy faces, enthusiasm and a real sense of purpose. It is wonderful to have our school community back together.

A very special welcome goes to all of the new children and families joining our school family this year. We are delighted that you are here and look forward to getting to know you and sharing the exciting years ahead.

I have been so impressed by the wonderful start our children have made. They have returned to school happy, settled and focused, and it has been a real pleasure to see them so proudly sharing their learning. Our staff have also returned feeling rested and refreshed, ready for another exciting year. We have welcomed Mrs Broadley- Smith, our new Finance Manager, and Miss O'Connor, who has joined us as a Teaching Assistant for the Autumn Term.

This year, we are introducing a new approach to pupil roles and responsibilities through our **Vacancy Board**. Children are able to see the different opportunities available, apply for roles that interest them and take an active part in contributing to our school community. This has been a definite hit with the children, and we have been absolutely inundated with applications! It has been fantastic to see such enthusiasm and willingness from our pupils to take on responsibility and make a difference.

We were also pleased to welcome Reverend Mel into school on Monday. She spent time welcoming our new children and sharing in the excitement of our return to school. It was lovely to have her with us as we begin this new chapter together.

I am very much looking forward to the weeks and months ahead. Thank you, as always, for your continued support and for being such an important part of our school community.



Mrs Harvey
Headteacher

Here's to a happy, successful and exciting year ahead!
With very best wishes, Mrs Harvey

You are the Light of the World

Newly added events will appear in red

Dates for the Diary

- Wednesday 16th September - Pop Up Church in the school hall - 3:15-4:15 - booked children only
- Friday 18th September - Celebration Assembly for invited parents - 9:00am
- Monday 12th October - PTFA AGM - 6pm-7pm in the staff room
- Tuesday 13th October - Parent's Evening - Details to follow
- Wednesday 14th October - Whole School Walk to Church - Harvest Service - AM
- Wednesday 14th October - Pop Up Church in the school hall - 3:15-4:15 - booked children only
- Tuesday 20th October - Forest Church Day - Details to follow
- Thursday 22nd October - School Discos
- TED Day - Whole School Closed

Monday 26th-Friday 30th October - October Half Term

- Wednesday 4th November - Pop Up Church in the school hall - 3:15-4:15 - booked children only
- Friday 6th November - PTFA Fireworks Night
- Friday 13th November - Celebration Assembly for invited parents - 9:00am
- Wednesday 2nd - Friday 4th December - Year 4 Residential to the Pioneer Centre
- W/C 7th December - Christmas Productions - Full details to follow
- Friday 11th December - Celebration Assembly for invited parents - 9:00am
- Monday 14th December - Rock Steady Concert for invited parents - 9:30am
- Thursday 17th December - AM Whole School walk to Church for Christmas Service
  PM Class Parties - Details to follow
- Friday 18th December - TED Day - Whole School Closed

Monday 21st December-Friday 1st January - Christmas Holidays

- Monday 4th January - First Day of Spring Term



Chair: Luci Boardman

Treasure: Cherri Milak

Secretary: Vacant Position

Email: stannesprimarypta@gmail.com

PTFA
St Anne's Primary School
Registered Charity Number 1006993

Hello and welcome to the new term at St Anne's!

We are excited to share with you our plans for the upcoming academic year but as always, we start with our **AGM.**

We welcome everyone to attend this meeting where our current committee stand down and we re-elect our Chair, Treasure and Secretary along with our ordinary committee members.

Next week we will share the job descriptions for these rolls so you can see what is involved and if you would like to put yourself forward for any position, or even find out more about volunteering please come along to the meeting.

PTFA AGM - Monday 12th October - 6pm-7pm - In the staff room

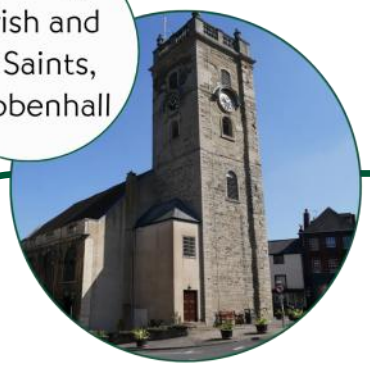
A number of our current committee are parents of year 6 children which means next year they will be saying farewell to St Anne's and the PTFA.

This means that more than ever, we need some new people to join the team. Please come along and see who we are and what we do!

If you have any questions please email stannesprimarypta@gmail.com

Without your support there will be no PTFA which means:
No Fireworks Night, No Christmas Secrets Room, No School Discos
No money for the extras - each class was give £150 PTFA money for the fun bits in their classrooms this year
There would be no outdoor gym
No non school uniform days, teddy tombolas, year 6 leavers books or leavers party.
The PTFA paly a huge roll in supporting the "Fun" in your child's school journey please support us if you can!

Bewdley Parish and All Saints, Wribbenhall



News from St Anne's Church



Did you love iSingPOP last term? Then come along to our Pop Up Church! A free, fun, family event beginning next Wednesday after school. An hour of craft, games, Bible story and wonderful iSingPOP songs - you may even learn some new ones!

Children must be accompanied by an adult—please book your child/rens place/s via the text invite that has been sent out.

St Anne's CofE Primary School - Term Dates

September 2026 - July 2027

AUTUMN TERM 2026		
Autumn 1	TED 1	Tuesday 1st September 2026
	TED 2	Wednesday 2nd September 2026
	Start date	**Thursday 3rd September 2026**
	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**

Betti Moretti Poetry Prize

Entertain Engage Empower











Betti Moretti was a force of nature, a creative soul who loved her life in Bewdley – she was an accomplished artist and a lauded poet (Worcestershire Poet Laureate 2018/19) who gave a lot to the community.

Betti sadly passed away in 2023. This poetry prize has been created with family and friends along with Bewdley Festival as a tribute to the wonderful person she was.

To enter:

Write a poem to depict whatever moves you – whether it's about where you live, what you do, what makes you happy or melancholy or just a funny poem – the only limit is your imagination. Enter your poem by 24 September at www.bewdleyfestival.org.uk and visit the new event drop down

Age categories

·Under 12

·12-17

·18 plus

The prize

A commemorative trophy and signed certificate for the overall winner for each category along with a family ticket kindly donated by The Severn Valley Railway and West Midlands Safari Park

West Midlands SAFARI PARK

Poets of Peaceful Protest SABRINA POETS

Worcestershire Litfest & Fringe

Severn Valley Railway

Bewdley Festival Registered Charity. 701629

Registered Office - St George's Hall, Load Street, Bewdley, Worcestershire, DY12 2EQ

worcestershire county council

10 July 2026

Dear Parent or Carer,

Further to the letter sent in May, we are writing to remind you about the change to holiday free school meal vouchers and send information about potential sources of support.

What has changed?

In the past, some families received food vouchers during the school holidays. These vouchers were paid for by money from the Government, through the Household Support Fund.

The Government stopped this funding from 31 March 2026. Because of this, holiday food vouchers will no longer be given out during school holidays. There is a new scheme called the Crisis and Resilience Fund which is available to help people facing a sudden financial crisis – however there is less funding available and it has to be used for different purposes.

What help is still available?

A leaflet is attached that lists some of the potential sources of support available to families.

Please know that support is still available for those experiencing financial difficulties, and we'll continue to share information as plans for Worcestershire are developed.

Yours sincerely,

Hannah Perrott

Assistant Director for Communities

Worcestershire County Council

UNIFORM - CLIVE MARK

Our logo uniform is now to purchase from Clive Mark with free delivery available to school on smaller orders and free delivery to home on orders over £50. They also offer the option to pay in 3 instalments on orders over £35.

Clive Mark – St Anne's Primary School Uniform

The uniform is as follows:

- School jumper/cardigan with logo (logo preferred but not mandatory)
- White collared shirt with school tie (KS2)
- White polo shirt with school logo (KS1 and Reception) (logo preferred but not mandatory)
- Dark grey school trousers/shorts/skirt
- Grey socks/tights
- Green gingham check summer dress
- Dark school shoes

All items of clothing and footwear must be labelled with the pupil's name.

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).