

Newsletter

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Tests & Assessments

May we remind you that all children will be involved in tests and assessments during the week of Monday 12th May to Friday 16th May. Year will be doing their end of Key Stage 2 SATs and **all** children will be involved in optional SATs and in-house assessments. It is very important that children are well rested, calm and punctual, particularly during this intense test period.

Please ensure your child arrives in plenty of time for the start of the school day to avoid unnecessary disruption at the front door both to your own child and Year 6 children who will be in the Hall.

Morning snacks will not be available for this week as the hall is in use. Please ensure your child brings a snack from home. Thank you.

Rosary

During the month of May we will be saying the Rosary to Our Lady on Friday lunchtimes at 12.45pm. Please encourage your child to take part in these prayers to Mary during her special month.

Cookery Club

Miss Dobell and Miss McGonigle are planning to begin a Key Stage 1 Cookery Club after the half term. This will take place on Thursdays from 3.15pm until 4.15pm. Children will be given a list of ingredients each week to bring for the following week. Places are limited to 10 and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Planters

Thank you to Mrs Hopkins and Miss Canny who helped to tidy and re-plant the containers at the entrance of the school. They look fantastic!

Gardening Club

Now that the weather is improving and things are beginning to grow, Mrs Hickey would be most grateful for any extra help with the Gardening Club at the nearby allotment. The club meets on Tuesdays from 3.15pm until 4.15pm. Please contact Mrs Hickey on 619129 for further information.

Football

The school team played their second match in the Trophy '75 competition against Beechwood Primary on Tuesday 29th April. We were extremely successful and gained a fabulous 4-0 victory. Goals from John (1) and a hat trick from Matthew ensured the win. Thank you to Mr Dickenson who refereed the match – no questionable decisions this week!

Next Match : Friday 9th May at 4.00pm – Millfields Away – Year 5 and Year 6

Strictly Come Dancing

On Tuesday 29th April Years 4 and 5 enjoyed learning new dance routines with Mrs Dawn Daniels. Year 4 learnt the Paso Doble and Jive routine whilst Year 5 learnt elements of the Salsa and the Jive. The children really enjoyed this new experience!

Friends of St Anne's

The next meeting of the Friends of St Anne's will be held on 7th May at 8.00pm at the Cronkinson Oak pub. Everyone is welcome and we need as much help as possible to plan for our summer event.

The non-uniform day last Friday raised £167.00 – Many thanks indeed!

Nantwich Triathlon

St Anne's were hoping to enter a team for the Nantwich Triathlon in June. However the relay triathlon is in September – not June. Could those who have offered to be part of team St Anne's please let Mrs Fau-Goodwin know if 21st September is still convenient. Apologies for any muddle!

The relay triathlon is : 500m swim, 20km cycle and 5k run with one person needed for each stage. We are still hoping to be sponsored for this exciting event.

Transport Needed

We desperately need help in transporting two laptop trollies from a school in Crewe to St Anne's. If you have a vehicle large enough to do this, please contact Mrs Fau-Goodwin as soon as possible. Many thanks.

Year 6 Victorian Day at Tatton Park

On Thursday 24th April Year 6 visited Tatton Park for a Victorian Day. The children dressed up in Victorian costume in order to experience how life would have been for children of that era. Below is Ailsa's account of her day!

"We got off the bus and met another servant called Mrs Goodburn. She took us down to the cellar to put our lunch down and put on our aprons.

Next, we were put into two lines to meet the butler who was in charge of the mansion. He was called Mr Johnson. Mr Johnson was very scary and strict – even the teachers found him scary! Once he had called out the register we were separated into two groups. I was in Group 1 and we made scones. I was paired up with a boy called Thomas. We mixed together 1oz of butter, 4oz of flour, a quarter teaspoon of salt and 1oz of sugar. We rolled it into a ball and Mrs Goodburn put it into the oven.

After that Mr Johnson took us back down to the cellar and into the wash room where we polished some cutlery. He then showed us to the bread room where we had to scrub the floor!

After lunch Mrs Goodburn took us upstairs to teach us how to make paper fagots and how to make the beds. Mr Johnson took over from there and took us on a tour around the mansion. My favourite room was the library where we found out that there were 800 books, the oldest being from 1513 and written in Latin.

My group headed back to the other group to find out what jobs we would need to do. When Mr Johnson called out my name I was very nervous. 'Jane Barker – Housekeeper'. I felt very proud of myself – it was the job I had wanted all along. I would have loved being a Victorian servant!

Ailsa Hamilton-Smith Year 6

Girls Football

If your daughter would like to play for a girls football team, sessions are available at Nantwich Town Football Club each Monday evening at the following times : 6pm to 7pm – 8-10 year olds; 7pm to 8pm – 11 to 14 year olds; 8pm to 9pm age 16 and over. The cost is £3.00 per session. Please contact Steve Davis on 07984 089189 for further information.

Design An Egg Box Competition

The Co-Op is running a Design An Egg Box Competition, the winner of which could win £500 worth of art materials for our school. The competition is open to any child under the age of 12 and the closing date is 1st June 2008. Please see the competition entry form overleaf for further details. Please encourage your child to sharpen those crayons, etc, and help us to win some valuable resources for St Anne's!

Families Matter

Cheshire County Council's Family Learning and Parenting Team are organising a 6 week parenting course here at St Anne's. The course will begin on Tuesday 10th June, commencing at 1.00pm until 3.00pm. Being a parent can be a challenging business, so come along and meet other parents to share in the highs and lows! Build upon your parenting skills in a relaxed setting over a cup of coffee. If you wish to book a place, please contact Mrs Fau-Goodwin.

Spring Lifestyle Fair

A Lifestyle Fair (featuring interiors, clothing, jewellery, gardening, etc) is to be held at Wrenbury Hall on Thursday 22nd May from 10.30am until 4.30pm in support of St Lukes Hospice and Breakthrough Breast Cancer. Tickets are £5.00 if booked in advance and £7.00 on the door. For further information please contact Sally Jones on 07774 724630.

Sun

As the sunshine has finally arrived, may I remind parents to provide your child with a sun hat and **to apply sunscreen to your child before school as staff are unable to apply sunscreen** to children during the school day due to potential child protection issues. Again, thank you for your co operation and understanding. Remember the sunshine rules :

Slip on a t-shirt

Slap on a hat

Slop on the sun cream

Looking Ahead & Dates for the Diary

As previously mentioned, this summer term is a busy one! These are dates we have so far!

Y6 parents to view growing up materials 8th May 12:30pm

KS1 Sports day 20th May

KS2 Sports 22nd May

26th – 30th May Whitsuntide Break

First Holy Communion Sunday 8th June 12 noon

New parents meeting for September 08 10th June 7:00pm

Y6 Tatton Park visit 12th June

Y5 Retreat day at St Thomas More Catholic High School

Reception Visits week beginning 30th June – 4th July

Choir performance of 'Joseph' Thursday 10th & Friday 11th July

Our final two INSET days are 21st & 22nd July