

Newsletter

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Welcome Back!

Welcome back as we Spring into Summer! Summer weather is hopefully on its way too! I am pleased that our family of ducks have returned and hopefully we will be having some ducklings soon. A number of concerned adults have mentioned that some parents are allowing their children to chase the ducks. Flapjack and Waddle have been with us for a good number of years and are part of our school family. Please don't frighten them away!

This is a traditionally busy term with lots going on as well as important assessments and tests for our children to prepare for and take. All children will be involved in tests and assessments during May, particularly Monday 12th May – Friday 16th May when Y6 will be doing their end of Key Stage 2 SATs and **all** children will be involved in option SATs and in-house assessments. It is very important that children are well rested, calm and punctual, particularly during this intense test period.

Thank you for your overwhelming support during our Lenten appeal. I will be able to share with you the total for The Good Shepherd Appeal very shortly. The parents / carers Here I Am summer term leaflet is attached to this newsletter to ensure that you are aware of our topics and the content and focus of our religious education programme this term.

Parking

May I request that parents / carers using Sunflowers before and after school club ensure that our Staff can access their parking spaces. As the car park is empty, please use the spaces in the centre area of the car park as it is only fair that staff employed here can park conveniently at their place of work. Thank you for your consideration.

Latecomers & Late Collection

We are still have problems with children arriving late for school on a *regular, almost daily basis*, and children not being collected on time at the end of the day. The school day begins at 8:55am and ends at 3:15pm. Parents will incur a **£10 charge** if children are not collected by 3:30pm from this week, to cover our supervision costs.

Financial Audit

A financial audit will be taking place in school on Monday 14th & Tuesday 15th April. (An inspection for all our internal and financial procedures.) May I request that phone calls and interruptions to the school admin area are kept to a minimum over these two days as it will be an extremely intense process. Thank you in advance for your co-operation.

Sport Audit & Cheerleading

Thank you to those families who returned our sports questionnaire last term. As a result of the feedback received, Miss Georgiou has set up a cheerleading after school club which will take place from tomorrow, Thursday 10th April. If you would like your child to take part in this activity, please complete and return an extra curricular parental disclaimer which can be located in the parent pockets at the front of the school.

Rainy Mornings

If we have a rainy start to the day, we invite all children to come in and shelter from 8.40am onwards. Children must enter the school via the double doors on KS2 corridor. As is our usual routine, parents do not need to accompany their child as we feel it is important to continue to develop independent skills. There is adequate supervision in the hall and around the building.

Planters

Is anyone willing to 'tidy' and sort out our tubs at the front of school as they are in need of a little sprucing and planting up for the summer? If so, please speak to Mrs Fau-Goodwin or Mrs Parton. Many thanks!

Industrial Action

Our teaching staff have decided not to take industrial action despite calls from their trade union on Thursday 24th April, and the school will be open and functioning as usual.

Medical Disclaimer

If your child requires a prescription medicine to be dispensed by staff during the school day, please ensure a medical disclaimer form is completed. We cannot administer ANY NON PRESCRIPTION medication. Medical disclaimer forms are available from the parent pockets and cover the period of medication.

Friends of St Anne's

The next meeting will take place at Cronkinson Oak Pub at 8pm tonight. Everyone is welcome!

Year 6 Residential to Boreatton

Planning has already started for our current Year 5 children's Y6 residential to Boreatton Park in November 08. Letters outlining arrangements, deposit and payment arrangements will be with the children this week. Please come into upper key stage 2 corridor and see the photographs and reports written by our current Y6's about their experience this year. It is important at this stage to gauge interest to see whether it will be viable or not, so please respond as soon as you can.

Thank you.

School & Nursery Photographs

Just a reminder that the photographer will be in school 10th April for the annual school photographs. The session will start in school **from 8:30am for those who wish any pre-school children to be photographed with their sibling/s**. A specialist early years photographer will also be available in the Nursery on 11th April to take photographs of small babies and toddlers if you wish to take advantage of this opportunity.

Nantwich Triathlon

St Anne's are entering a team for the Nantwich Triathlon in June. We are hoping to be sponsored and are also hoping that many parents will volunteer to take part and represent the school. If you would like to be part of team St Anne's, please let Mrs Fau-Goodwin know.

Job Opportunity

CBS cleaning require a cleaner for our nursery, 6 hours per week at £6.02 per hour either before the nursery opens at 8:00am (6:45am – 8:00am) or after closing at 6:00pm (6:00pm – 7:15pm) If you are interested or know someone who may be, please contact Mrs Lynn Jones of CBS on 07789922646.

Looking Ahead & Dates for the Diary

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

Choir to see Joseph Friday 11th April
Financial Audit in school 14th & 15th April
Lego /design technology Class 2 15th April
Y4 Class 5 to visit Pottery 22nd April
Y3 Class 4 Sacramental Preparation Meeting 23rd April
Football Competition Y3 Y4 24th April
Y6 to Tatton Park 24th April
Y5 Y4 Strictly Come Dancing Workshop
INSET 6th May
Y6 parents to view growing up materials 8th May 12:30pm
KS1 Sports day 20th May
KS2 Sports 22nd May
26th – 30th 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 2008

Y6 Class 7 Recycling Visit

"Year 6 went on a visit to a recycling plant and quarry as part of their Set Up Science week activity. We saw where all of our rubbish went and watched lots of wild life. First, we got some rainbow pieces and we had to find different bits of the wildlife that were the same colour.

Secondly, we went on a trailer round the quarry and stopped to draw pictures and look at interesting things. We stopped and found three different types of rocks. Then we had our lunch in a cabin and then went bird watching. We listened to the things that the rocks said and then we went on an insect hunt. We said thank and started on our journey back to school. Overall we had lots of fun and really enjoyed our trip."

Elena Nash

Sunflowers@St Anne's

Both the nursery and the before and after school club are proving to be very popular and a valuable addition to our school. Many requests and enquiries have been made about a holiday club. This is now being seriously considered for launching for the summer break by Fiona, myself and Sunflowers@ St Anne's staff.

In order to gauge a realistic level of commitment from our existing school community, please complete and return the slip below to enable planning and preparation to begin, and establish whether or not it will be a viable option.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and response.

Parental Feedback April 2008

Sunflowers@St Anne's Holiday Club

We would / We would not / be interested in using the holiday club.

We would use it for 1 2 3 4 5 6 weeks (please circle)

We would need places for 1 2 3 4 children

Signed:.....