

# Newsletter

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## Welcome

As we return following our half term break, we welcome Jordan Cleary into Y3 Class 4. I have been amazed at how quickly Jordan has settled in and become a very welcome addition to Class 4. We look forward to getting to know him and his family over the next weeks and months.

## Lent & Good Shepherd Appeal

During the season of Lent we raise funds for the Good Shepherd appeal which provides for under privileged children in our Diocese. Each Friday in Lent, starting on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March, an Easter Egg raffle will be held in each class. Ticket price will be 20p. In addition, the children will bring home a sheet bearing two sheep. Their task is to fill the sheeps' wool with silver coins and return it to school by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April. The idea is that the children can 'earn' some silver by doing extra little jobs or have the money instead of a snack or sweets; thus by doing something extra, they in turn help a less fortunate child in our Diocese. Please support and encourage your child/ren with this activity. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

## Stations of the Cross

During the season of Lent, there will be a voluntary stations of the cross each Friday lunchtime where the children will have the opportunity to join staff in prayer and reflection. Please remind and encourage your child/ren to attend as part of their spiritual preparation for the feast of Easter.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be received by our Y3 children on Wednesday the 4<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm at St Anne's church. Please keep the children and their families in your thoughts and prayers.

## Y5 Residential

As we go to press today, our Year 5 children are having a great time in Conway! They arrived safely yesterday and have been involved in a multicultural based programme of dance, music, drama, storytelling and art activities. Thank you to Miss Georgiou for organising the visit and all the staff involved for giving up their time to accompany the children.

Planning is already underway for this group to take part in a visit to Boreatton Park in Autumn 09.

## Cheerleading Cancelled

As Miss Georgiou is in Conway this week, there will be no cheerleading this Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March. Practice will resume on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March as usual.

## Football

Our Y5 & Y6 footballers took part in a community football competition on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February at the Crewe Alex soccer centre. We were joint winners on games won, but unfortunately lost out on total goals scored. Congratulations to Audlem who pipped us at the post! Miss Hughes was delighted at the team's performance and spirit during the games and their dignity in defeat.

Well done boys!

## Dentist Visit

Last Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February Class 4 enjoyed a talk and demonstration on caring for our teeth from practising dentist, Mrs Murphy. The children really enjoyed the activities and learned a great deal – and the dental goody bags were very much appreciated! A very big 'thank you' to Mrs Murphy and her assistant, Jane.

## Fancy Dress Disco

Thank you to the Friends of St Anne's for organising the fancy dress disco on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February. Already this term the Friends have purchased lots of equipment for the classrooms, including the house in the Early Years play area, and subsidised two dance workshops for Key Stage 2 classes. On behalf of everyone, many thanks to those involved for your hard work and consistent support of the school.

## Marie Curie Cancer Care

Thank you to everyone for supporting our 'wear blue and /or yellow' day on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February. We will be able to send a magnificent £175 to this very worthwhile cause.

## Outdoor Play

Prior to half term it was agreed that children may play on the field and in the woods at lunchtime providing that wellies are worn and removed before entering the building. No other footwear apart from wellingtons is acceptable on the field. **No wellies. No field.** There is ample space for ball games in the sports area wearing normal shoes.

## Collective Worship

Y1 Class 2 will lead our whole school collective worship on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March at 9:00am and Y5 Class 6 on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March. Please join us if you can.

## Artist in Residence

On Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March our Y3 children will be working with professional ceramicist Jane Dixon on a topic called 'The Magicians of the Earth'. If you would be available to help on either or both of these days, please contact Mrs James who would be grateful for some additional classroom support!

## School Photographs

Please remember to note Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March on the calendar as the school photographer will be visiting St Anne's on that day. She will be in the hall from 8:30am to enable any families to have photos taken of their school children with **pre-school siblings**. All school children will have both an individual and a photograph taken with their siblings who are also in school from 9:00am onwards which will be organised by the staff. Proofs, costs and order forms will be available almost immediately. Please ensure your child/ren is/are in full, correct uniform on that day.

Many thanks.

## Extra Curricular Provision

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Day	Activity	Age	Staff	Cost
Monday	Dramarama	KS2	Mrs Speet	£5.50
	Multiskills	KS1	Sportscape	£3.00
Tuesday	Gymnastics	KS1/KS2	Camm St Gym	£1.50 per session
Wednesday	Football	KS1 & KS2	Mr Barlow	£4 per session
Thursday	Cheerleading	KS2	Miss Georgiou	None
	Art & Craft	KS1 (class 2 this time)	Mrs Mosley & Mrs Mooney	50p for materials
Friday	Choir	KS2	Mrs Barnes & Mrs Roberts	None

Sunflowers@Stannes offer before and after school provision from 8am to 6pm and can offer childcare to fit in with any of the above school based activities. Please contact Fiona on 01270 623 333 for booking information and session costs.

## Gardening Club

We are keen to re-start the gardening club this term on Tuesdays at 3:15pm. However the lady who ran the club for us last term is now unable to carry on. If you would be willing to help or lead the club, please let us know as it would be a shame if we have to give up our allotment plot. Mr Smith, our Chair of Governors, is willing to help from time to time whenever he can.

## Mass Times & Services at St Anne's Church

Wednesdays during Lent – Holy Hour 11:00 – 12:00noon  
(exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Stations of the Cross & quiet prayer & reflection)  
Followed by Mass at 12noon

Mothers Day Mass 10:30am (Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March)

Anointing of the Sick 12:00noon (Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April)

Palm Sunday – Distribution of Palms (6:30pm Vigil Mass & 10.30am Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April)

Maundy Thursday Mass 7:30pm (Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April)

Good Friday Mass 3:00pm (Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April)

Easter Vigil Mass 7:00pm (Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April)

Easter Sunday Mass 9:00am & 10:30am (Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April)

# Diary Dates

- 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> March – Artist in Residence  
13<sup>th</sup> March Y5 Class 6 Assembly  
20<sup>th</sup> March – School photographs (8:30am onwards for pre-school with sibling/s)  
26<sup>th</sup> March – Full Governing Body Meeting 4:30pm  
**3<sup>rd</sup> April – School closes for Easter Break**  
20<sup>th</sup> April – School re-opens for Summer term  
29<sup>th</sup> April – Y3 Parents Sacramental Preparation Meeting (First Holy Communion)  
Church meeting Room 7pm  
**5<sup>th</sup> May INSET (school closed for pupils)**  
11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> May – SATs, Tests & Assessments  
17<sup>th</sup> May – First Holy Communion 12 noon  
19<sup>th</sup> May – Sports Day KS1  
21<sup>st</sup> May – Sports Day KS2  
22<sup>nd</sup> May Y6 Class 7 Assembly (Pentecost)  
**25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> May Whit Break**  
1<sup>st</sup> June School re-opens  
11<sup>th</sup> June Y6 Class 7 Assembly  
12<sup>th</sup> June Y4 Class 5 Assembly  
16<sup>th</sup> June Mass & Photographs for Y3 First Holy Communion Children  
2<sup>nd</sup> July Full Governors meeting 4:30pm  
10<sup>th</sup> July Reports due to parents / carers  
10<sup>th</sup> July Summer Choir concert 4:00pm  
17<sup>th</sup> July 9:30am Y6 Leavers Mass in church  
**17<sup>th</sup> July School Closes for Summer Break**  
20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> July STAFF INSET