

# Newsletter

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## November Book

During the month of November we are praying in school for deceased family members and friends. If you wish to add any names to our 'November Book' which is on display in the Reception area, please fill in the details below and they included in our prayers.

Child's Name : ..... Class : .....

Name of deceased : .....

Family Member or Friend (Please Circle)

## Mass in School

Fr Daly will say Mass in school on 18<sup>th</sup> November 2009 for all deceased family members and friends of St Anne's School.

## First Holy Communion

Year 3 children have now begun their sacramental preparation. Those children who will be making their First Holy Communion will be involved in a special Enrolment Mass this evening in St Anne's Church at 7.00pm.

## Fairtrade

There will be a Fairtrade stall in school at 8.30am on the first Thursday of every month, commencing on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2009.

## Focus On Other Faiths

This week and next week our focus for RE is Judaism. Today we have had a visitor in school – Shimon Gillis from the Jewish Youth Council – and all the children have been involved in workshops. More news later!

## Wednesday Word

Today you will have received the 'Wednesday Word' from school. Please spend time reading this with your child/ren. The leaflet is for both adults and children and gives an explanation of next Sunday's Gospel. It provides ideas of activities and prayers to share together. Please look out for this in your child's bookbag each Wednesday.

## Operation Christmas Child – Shoebox Appeal

Thank you so much for the wonderful response we have had so far with regard to the Shoebox Appeal. A special thank you goes to Mrs Smith and her friends; Mrs Smith lives on Hospital Street in the town and has kindly provided us with dozens of lovely boxes. The boxes will be collected from school on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November. Mr Pitcher is will visit school on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November for an assembly during which he will talk to our pupils about the children who will be receiving the boxes.

## Boreatton Park Residential

The Year 6 children arrived safe and sound for their residential on Monday of this week. Mr and Mrs Cameron visited them yesterday evening at Boreatton Park. Everyone was fine and enjoying the activities very much. The children had already been canoeing, climbing and doing archery.

## Parent Governor Election

We are now finalising arrangements to fill the position of Parent Governor at St Anne's which will become vacant in January 2010. Please ensure that all nomination forms, together with the candidate description sheet, are returned to school by **3.30pm on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November**. The ballot papers will then be sent out to parents / carers on **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November**. Completed ballot papers can be received in school during any school day from 8.55am until 4.00pm. The final deadline for the receipt of the ballot papers will be **9.00am on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2009**.

## Altar Servers

If any children in Years 4, 5 or 6 would like to become Altar Servers, please give your names to Mrs James or Mrs Cameron as soon as possible.

## Friends of St Anne's Disco

The Friends of St Anne's held a disco in school on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November and the event was a huge success. A big thank you to all those who were involved in organising the evening so efficiently. The children have commented this week on just how much they enjoyed it.

We would also like to thank the Friends of St Anne's for the very generous donation for the Usborne books; these have now arrived in school and have gone into every class from Reception to Year 6.

## St Anne's Talent Show – 20<sup>th</sup> November 2009

Would you like to show off your talents! We need more adult participation for the above event! Please support the children in their attempts to raise money for our Prayer Garden. If any more adults wish to enter, please let Mrs Cameron know or ask your child to inform a member of the School Council. We would also be very grateful for raffle prizes for the night.

## Nantwich Museum

Alison from Nantwich Museum brought some World War II items into Class 7 last week. The children in Year 6 enjoyed trying on a gas mask, helmets and clothing from the war years.

## Year 2 Visit to the Cenotaph

Year 2 children are working hard in their History topic and learning about Remembrance Day. We had a very successful visit to the Cenotaph this week and learned a lot about the people of Nantwich who gave their lives in the wars. Thank you to all the parents who were able to accompany us and especially to Mr and Mrs Chatwin for their hospitality and lovely refreshments!

We also received a telephone call in school the following day from Mr and Mrs Dean who are residents of Nantwich. They telephoned to comment on the behaviour of all the children in Year 2, saying that they were a *“credit to the school and the teaching staff”*. Well done Year 2!

## Year 6 Assembly

The children in Year 6 enjoyed presenting their Assembly last Friday. Thank you to all the parents who came to support them.

## Attendance

Our attendance figure for the first Autumn half term was 97.1%. This is an improvement, but needs to be maintained throughout the year. Thank you for your support.

## Extra Curricular Provision

Below is a table showing the extra curricular provision currently available for this half term.

Monday	Dramarama Multi Skills	Mrs Speet Sportscape	KS2 KS1 & KS2
Tuesday	Gymnastics Football Training	Camm Street Gym Miss Hughes	KS1 & KS2 KS2
Wednesday	Football	Mr Barlow	Y2, 3 & 4
Thursday	Cheerleading Dramarama	Miss Georgiou Mrs Speet	KS2 KS1
Friday	Choir	Mrs Roberts & Mrs Barnes	KS2

## Class 1 Assembly

Just a reminder that Class 1's assembly will take place on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November at 9.30am. We look forward to seeing the parents / carers of the children in the Reception class there.

## Chess Club

We are currently trying to start up a Chess League in school for KS2 children. We have already collected 19 names but we are still looking for more. If your child is interested, please ask him/her to give his/her name to Connor McDonnell or George Hopkins. Also if you have any spare chess sets at home which you no longer use and would like to donate to school, please send them in to Mrs Cameron.

## Year 5 Visit to the Conway Centre

Miss Georgiou recently held a meeting with Year 5 parents / carers about this year's Conway residential, and the good news is – it's booked! The children are now preparing themselves for 4 days of drumming, dance, drama and tiredness!

## Healthy Schools

Year 5 children enjoyed a visit from Mrs Dixon who came in to talk about about the long and short term effects of smoking. Did you know that there are over 4000 harmful ingredients in just one cigarette! THE BEST WAY TO STOP SMOKING IS NOT TO START!

## Year 5 Assembly

Thank you to all parents / carers who were able to join us last Friday for Year 5's assembly. We all especially enjoyed listening to the song about the fate of Henry VIII's wives!

## Skipping Workshop

On Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November all the children took part in a skipping workshop designed to introduce and develop skipping skills. The children learned various skipping games, including Double Dutch.

The day was incredibly successful and 'skipping fever' spread through the playground! The day culminated in a whole school demonstration of the skills learnt by the children. We are hoping to build upon this successful day by encouraging skipping on the playground and possibly setting up a skipping 'parent and child' after school club. The gymnastics skipping ropes used in the sessions are still available to buy from Miss Georgiou prices at £4.00 for KS1 and KS2 ropes and £5.50 for adult ropes – so there is no excuse not get skipping!

## Y3 Visit to Chester

On Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November Year 3 children visited the Grosvenor Museum in Chester. We had a really interesting and exciting day learning about life in Roman Britain. We went marching with a Roman Legionary, looked around the museum and handled real Roman pottery. Thank you to all the helpers who made our trip possible.

## Class 2 Assembly

Just a reminder that Year 1's assembly will take place on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December at 9.10am. We hope you can join us!

## Morrisons Vouchers

Thank you to all those who sent in the Morrisons vouchers over the last couple of months. The scheme has now closed but we are looking for volunteers to help count the vouchers out for us. Can you help please?!!! If so, please contact Mrs Ashbrooke in the school office.

## National School Meals Week – 9<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> November

Thank you for all your support this week. This was a national healthy eating promotion which supported the whole school approach to educating children about healthy eating and encouraging them to adopt healthy lifestyles. This has formed part of our healthy schools initiative for this term.

## School Travel Plan

Please return your questionnaires as soon as possible. The information you provide will assist in formulating a Travel Plan for our school. On completion of the Plan, we are hoping to obtain a grant towards establishing traffic calming measures within the school grounds. Spare questionnaires are still available from Mrs Cameron. Thank you once again for your cooperation.

## Football

Last Friday the school football team played Beechwood School and beat them 2-0. George Hopkins scored both goals and Miss Hughes said how thrilled she was with the team's unbroken record of wins so far this term. Well done boys – especially in view of all the rain and mud!