

Newsletter

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Harvest Celebration

Year 2 led the Harvest Assembly on Friday 16th October. Thank you to all parents/carers who were able to join us. The children enjoyed sharing their work with everyone. Thank you for all your generous harvest gifts and donations. We raised £200 for our CAFOD appeal this year. A big thank you to Mrs Barnes for organising this event.

St Catherine's and The Elms

We have received cards expressing sincere thanks for all the generous harvest baskets which were delivered by Miss McGonigle and Mr Cameron.

St Anne's Church

Last week Years 3 and 4 visited St Anne's Church. Father Daly and Deacon Peter talked to the children about various parts of the Church, in particular those areas relevant to Baptism. This enhanced the children's learning in their current Here I Am topic on 'Friends'.

Year 1 children visited the Church on Tuesday 20th October and were shown around by Deacon Peter. The children enjoyed their visit and learned a great deal about Baptism.

Thank you to Mrs James for organising these visits.

Operation Christmas Child – Shoebox Appeal

Please remember to bring your shoeboxes into school before **13th November** so that they are ready for collection. If you are not able to fill a shoebox but would like to donate any items for a box, please place them in the decorated shoebox at the back of the school hall. Thank you.

Sacramental Preparation

There will be a meeting on Wednesday 4th November at 7.00pm in the Meeting Room at St Anne's Church for parents of those children in Year 3 who will be taking the sacraments of First Forgiveness and First Holy Communion. It is important that parents are involved and attend this meeting as we will be setting the programme for the year. The Enrolment Mass will take place on Wednesday 11th November at 7.00pm in Church.

Year 5 Residential Trip – The Conway Centre

There will be a meeting in school at 6.00pm on Tuesday 3rd November for Year 5 parents regarding the forthcoming residential trip to the Conway Centre. Miss Georgiou will be explaining the programme of events in which the children will be participating during the visit which will take place from Tuesday 23rd to Friday 26th March 2010.

Parent Governor Election

A vacancy will become available on the school governing body for an elected parent governor from January 2010. Nomination forms are available from the parent pockets at the front of school. The form should be completed with a proposer, seconder and a pen portrait of the nominee, and returned to school in a sealed envelope marked 'confidential' and for the attention of Mr Gerry Smith. The final date for submission will be advised in due course but, if you have an interest in taking up this rewarding position, please send in your form as soon as possible.

Christmas Cards

The proofs of the Christmas Cards organised by the Friends of St Anne's have now been received and distributed to the children. If you wish to purchase packets of your child's card, please ensure your order is returned to school by the designated date.

Year 1 Visit to Nantwich Museum

Year 1 visited Nantwich Museum on Thursday 8th October. The children looked at locally donated toys and what they were made from, as well as considering whether they were old or modern. Another enjoyable day! Thank you to Mrs Bibby, Mrs Blake, Mrs Mascarenhas and Mrs Rodgers who were able to help on the visit.

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.

Year 4 Visit to Manchester Museum

Year 4 enjoyed a visit to the Manchester Museum of Science & Industry on Thursday 15th October. The children particularly enjoyed working in the 'Xperiment Gallery' with many 'hands on' practical experiments. Staff at the Museum commented that the children were extremely well behaved and polite – well done!

Year 5 Visit to Little Moreton Hall

"On Thursday 8th October Class 6 went to Little Moreton Hall. We learned about the jobs people would have in Tudor times and all about the games they would play. My favourite game was London Bridge. London Bridge is a game where you would roll marbles into a wooden bridge with holes in and numbers on. You would try and get the marbles into the holes to score points. Did you know? Little Moreton Hall was built on big stones – no foundations whatsoever!" – by Olivia Cooper
Thank you to all the parents who were able to accompany us on the day.

Forces Workshops

Year 6 and Year 2 enjoyed their science workshops on Forces last Thursday 15th October. Year 2 children made luggage trolleys and cars, and photos of the day are now up in the classroom. *“The forces workshop was a new challenge for everyone. We learned lots about forces and had lots of fun. Steve, our instructor, told us about friction, wind and compressed air. We all made models using the knowledge he passed on to us. It was a very informative lesson that left everyone wanting another go!”* by Cara Kennedy – Year 6

The day was a great success. Thank you to the Friends of St Anne’s for supporting us with this experience.

Morrisons ‘Let’s Grow’ Vouchers

We are currently collecting Morrisons gardening vouchers. Please send your vouchers into school with your child. Thank you.

Nestle Box Tops For Books

Mrs Marshall is very kindly collecting the Nestle cereal box tops on our behalf again this year. Please remember to save any box tops you may have and send them into school.

St Anne’s Talent Show

We have received 24 entries for the St Anne’s Talent Show which will take place on Friday 20th November from 6.00pm until 8.00pm. Rehearsals for the children will begin after the half term during lunchtime. The rehearsal schedule will be as follows : Monday 2nd November Years 2 & 3; Tuesday 3rd November Year 4; Wednesday 4th November Year 5; Thursday 5th November Year 5 & 6. Would all entrants please ensure that you have music or any other equipment that you need. Donations for the raffle will be greatly appreciated. All profits from this event will be put towards the Prayer Garden.

Thank you in advance – The School Council

Football

St Anne’s football team played Hungerford Primary School in our second match of the Autumn League competition. We won 5-2 with George Hopkins scoring all 5 goals. The team played with excellent spirit and continued to play attacking football right up to the final whistle. Well done to all those who played.

Poppy Appeal

As is customary at this time of the year, we have received a supply of poppies in school in support of the Poppy Appeal. The poppies will be sold by Year 6 children during break and lunchtimes. Please send your child in with a little extra money so that he/she can purchase a poppy for this very worthy cause. Many thanks.

Gymnastics

There are currently 4 places available for Year 1 and Year 2 gymnastics which takes place after school on Tuesday from 3.30pm until 4.30pm. Please contact Miss Georgiou if your child requires a place. Gymnastics for Reception children will commence after the Christmas break.

Year 3 Retreat Day

As part of the Here I Am programme, Year 3 children will be involved in a Retreat Day on Friday 27th November. The day will be led by the Shrewsbury Catholic Youth Team. Further details will follow later.

Nantwich in Bloom

As part of their Citizenship programme, on Tuesday 20th October Year 3 spent an enjoyable afternoon planting wild flowers near Nantwich lake with Mr Doug Butterill from Nantwich in Bloom. Mr Butterill thanked the children and commented on their enthusiasm and good behaviour.

Parking

We continue to experience severe problems with parking issues both on the site and in the areas surrounding the school. Please remember that parent parking is not allowed on site at any time unless a disabled badge is visible or you are dropping off at the nursery. Also we have again received complaints about parents / carers parking on pavements, thus forcing pedestrians to walk out into the road, and parking over residents' driveways. Please park responsibly and with due respect for others.

Skipping Workshop

In support of our commitment to a diverse PE curriculum, a skipping workshop has been organised by Miss Georgiou for 5th November. The workshop will involve the whole school. Each class will have an individual session during the day and there will be a demonstration at 2.30pm which parents will be welcome to attend. Each child will be asked to bring in a donation of £1.50 on the day. The skipping ropes used are specific gym skipping ropes which will be on sale at the end of the day at a price of £4.00 each.

Class 1 Sponsored Walk

Well done to all the children in Class 1 who have so far managed to collect £270 through their sponsored walk. If there are any outstanding donations could you please send them in to Mrs Mosley as soon as possible. A huge thank you to all those who participated. The money collected will go towards constructional toys such as Mobilo and Duplo.

Roman Day in Chester

On Tuesday 3rd November Year 3 will be visiting Chester for the day to experience life in Roman Britain! Please remember to send the children in with a packed lunch, waterproof coat and comfortable shoes which are essential for walking around Chester.

Class Assembly Dates

2.30pm – Thursday 22nd October – Class 7 / Year 6
9.15am – Friday 6th November – Class 6 / Year 5 (children to wear dark clothing please)
9.15am – Friday 20th November – Class 1 / Year R
9.15am – Thursday 3rd December – Class 2 / Year 1

Friends of St Anne's Diary Dates

Disco in School from 6.30pm to 8.00pm – Friday 6th November
Christmas Bingo in School from 6.30pm to 8.00pm – Friday 4th December

Sunglasses Found

A pair of adult sunglasses were found on the playground last week. If they belong to you, please contact Mrs Ashbrooke in the office.

Nantwich Show Halloween

The Nantwich Agricultural Society is staging a Firework Musical Extravaganza at Dorfold Park on 31st October. Fairground and entertainment starts at 5.00pm with the firework display at 8.00pm. Tickets are £6.00 per adult/£4.00 per child from Nantwich Tourist Information Centre or £8.00 per adult/£6.00 per child on the gate.

