

# Newsletter

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## First Holy Communion

Year 3 children made their First Holy Communion last Sunday. It was a wonderful celebration and all the children were beautifully turned out. We were even blessed with a glorious day! Thank you to Fr Daly and Deacon Peter for a lovely service and to Mr Gerry Smith and all the staff for preparing the children so well.

Thank you also to Mrs Pearson for the flower arrangements which were absolutely beautiful.

A reminder to parents of Year 3 children : tomorrow (Thursday) there will be a special celebration of Mass at 9.30am, followed by photographs and then a party in the afternoon.

## Rosary

Tomorrow will be the last Rosary session for the month of May. The Rosary will be said at 12.45pm for Key Stage 1 in Class 3 and for Key Stage 2 in Class 4. Please encourage your child to attend.

## Sacred Heart

June is the month of the Sacred Heart. Our prayer focus with the children during June will be devotion to the Sacred Heart. Please take a moment to share the prayer below together with your child/ren.

*O Sacred Heart of Jesus, burning with love for us, inflame our hearts with love of you.*

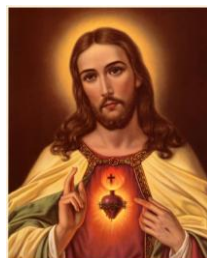
*Love Him – fervently*

*Pray to Him – constantly*

*Trust Him – in everything*

*Visit Him – frequently*

*Receive Him – as often as possible*



## Reminder – Inset Day

School will be closed Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May for an Inset Day and re-open on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June after the half term holiday.

## Year 6 “Growing up Talk” – Reminder

Parents will be able to watch the ‘growing up’ DVD which the school nurse will be using with the children on **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June at 12.30pm**. Dr Dixon will be present to answer any queries you may have regarding the DVD and its content.

## New Intake Meeting and Visits for September 2010

Our meeting for parents of children who will be joining us in Reception in September will take place in school on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June at 6.00pm. The children will be spending some time in school on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> July and Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – letters have been circulated regarding the times.

## Science Workshop

On Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June Years 2 and 6 will take part in a Forces Workshop in the school hall. A letter will follow this week.

## Street Dance

Street Dance after school finished this week. Parents of those children attending were invited into school to watch a final performance on Monday which was super! This after school club has proved to be very successful and will start again in September.

## Diocesan School Building Fund

Despite Mr Smith’s reminder letter of earlier this month, unfortunately we still owe in excess of £1300 to the Diocesan School Building Fund. If you have not yet paid your £15.00 per child for this academic year, please send it into school as soon as possible. As Mr Smith explained if these funds do not come in, we will have to pay the outstanding amount from our own School Fund.

## Garden Boxes

The children in Years 1, 2 and 3 are now busy planning what to grow in their class garden boxes which arrived on site this week. Among the plants already ordered are tomato, lettuce, radish, green beans, peas, potatoes, sweet peas and sunflowers. A big thank you to Mr Ashbrooke for assembling the boxes for us and filling them with compost.

## Year 6 Transition / Moving On

July 14<sup>th</sup> is our Year 6 Feeder Day to St Thomas More. On this day all children transferring to St Thomas More in September 2010 are to make their way to and from St Thomas More independently. The day is directed and organised by St Thomas More staff.

Children transferring to Brine Leas will be attending their Induction Day on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June. Staff from all our receiving High Schools also visit the children here, make their introductions and also speak to Mrs King about academic, social, pastoral and friendship information which will benefit the children in September.

## Year 5 Class Assembly

Last Friday we were entertained to a trip around the world when Year 5 children described all the multi-cultural activities they had experienced on their residential trip to the Conway Centre. We watched displays of Indian dancing and African drumming, together with drama and story telling. The finale was very exciting with a Haka – a Maori war dance! Photographs and art work are on display in the Key Stage 2 corridor and parents are welcome to come in after school to look at them.

## Choir

You may have seen a photograph of our School Choir in last week’s Chronicle. Some of our choir children performed at St Mary’s Festival of Talent on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> May. We were really proud of them, not only because they sang beautifully, but also because they represented the spirit of Christian fellowship which is so important here at St Anne’s. Thank you to all the children who gave up their time to perform, and to all the parents / carers who supported us.

## Year 5 Transition

Parents / carers of children in our current Year 5 will shortly be receiving letters regarding their choice of High School for 2011. Please ensure that your form is returned by the date specified to secure your child's place at his/her preferred school. This is a legal requirement and without the return of the form, the Council will allocate your child a space in any school.

## Basketball for Year 5 & Year 6

There is a basketball club running at South Cheshire College on Friday afternoons from 4pm until 5pm. The coaches involved are developing links with the Chester Jets. The club is free and is open to both boys and girls in Years 5 & 6. For further information, please contact the college on 654654.

## PE Survey

Miss Georgiou has asked parents to return the PE survey to school as soon as possible. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

## Water Bottles

Water bottles are currently on sale in school at a price of £3.50 each. It is essential that every child has his/her own named water bottle in school, especially during hot weather. A second water fountain has been ordered for the Key Stage 1 corridor and will be installed shortly.

## Key Stage 1 Sports Day

Key Stage 1 Sports Day was a great success. The weather was superb, as were the childrens' efforts. Thank you to all who came to support us.

## Sports Day Results

Both Key Stages have now enjoyed their respective sports days. The results were as follows :

		<b>House</b>	<b>Total Points</b>
Key Stage One	1 <sup>st</sup>	Oak	90
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Elm	83
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Maple	63
	4 <sup>th</sup>	Birch	59
Key Stage Two	1 <sup>st</sup>	Maple	608
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Birch	588
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Elm	495
	4 <sup>th</sup>	Oak	430
Overall	1 <sup>st</sup>	Maple	671
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Birch	647
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Elm	578
	4 <sup>th</sup>	Oak	520

Well done to everyone who took part!

## Year 3 and Year 4 : Sugnall Walled Garden

On Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May the children in Years 3 and 4 visited Sugnall Walled Garden. Year 3 planted flowers and vegetables in the walled garden whilst Year 4 looked for wildlife habitats in the extensive Sugnall grounds. We all enjoyed exploring the woods and were exhausted by the end of the day!

## Sunflowers @ St Anne's Holiday Club

Sunflowers are now making arrangements for half term and also for summer 2010. if you require place/s for the holiday club please contact Marianne or Fiona on 623333 for further details.

## Swimming Gala

Nantwich Swimming Gala will take place this year on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> June from 9am onwards at Nantwich Baths. Miss Hughes will be asking Yr5 and Yr6 children to volunteer to represent the school in this event. Further details to follow. If you are available to help with walking the children to and from the Baths, please contact Miss Hughes or Mrs Cameron.

## School Nurse “Drop-in” Morning

The School Nurse will be holding a “drop-in” session in school from 8:45am on Thursday June 10<sup>th</sup>. You do **not** require an appointment to see the nurse. If you wish to talk about any matters regarding your child, all discussions will be confidential.

## Flower Pots

We are looking for volunteers to revamp the flower pots outside the entrance to the school – possibly over the half term period. If anyone has any free time to do this, please contact Mrs Cameron.

## Science Assembly

I would like to thank Mr Baxter and Mrs Gresty, who is the Science Ambassador for Air Products, for coming into school yesterday and giving a brilliant talk and demonstration to Key Stage 2 children. Some of the experiments were spectacular and certainly caught everyone’s attention – including the staff! These events in school are always very important in continuously developing further studies and interest by the children and science and technology.

## Town Sports

The dates for Town Sports are as follows : Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June – Field Events at the Cumberland Track; Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June – Track Events at the Barony Park. Letters to follow shortly.

## Victorian Day

Year 6 children took part in a Victorian school day on Monday May 17<sup>th</sup>. The children came into school dressed in Victorian costume and had a fabulous day! Below are the reflections of two of the children :

## “Jubbies”

After half-term Mrs Burd will be selling Jubbly Smoothie desserts at morning break. They will cost 35p and come in two flavours orange, banana and passion, and strawberry and banana. These contain 70% pure and crushed fruit and are served frozen.

## Reports

End of year reports will be sent to parents / carers on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July. Please sign and return the acknowledgement slip together with yours and your child's comments on this year. These are retained and kept in their Record of Achievement. Many thanks in advance.

## F.O.S.A.

### Summer Fayre

The Friends of St Anne's Summer Fayre is fast approaching on 27<sup>th</sup> June! The Friends need donations of cakes and biscuits, tombola prizes, toys (in good condition please), and various items to sell on the 'White Elephant Stall'. School will be open on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June between 10am and 12pm for people to drop off donations. Helpers are also needed for the day. If you are able to help at all, please contact Clare on 650731 or [clare.peberdy@sky.com](mailto:clare.peberdy@sky.com).

Raffle tickets need to be returned to school as soon as possible. If you have not received any or you need any more, please contact the office.

### CDs / DVDs

Please send any unwanted CDs and / or DVDs into school as we can raise money from them

### Playground

As you can see the playground is now well under way and the children will be able to use it after the half term break. Many thanks to all the Friends members who have worked so hard for many years to raise the necessary funds, and also to you the parents for supporting our events to raise money. There are many more things we can do to improve the outside area so please continue to support us.

## Let's Bike Scheme Years 5/6

The Let's Bike Scheme commenced last Friday afternoon. Thank you so much to Mr Egerton and Mrs Kettle who are giving up their valuable time to undertake the scheme with the children.

## Timperley Shield – Football – Years 5 & 6

Last night the Yr5/Yr6 football team played their final match of the group stages in the Timperley Shield competition. The match was against the Wyche Primary School. During the first half we dominated and scored 2 goals – well done to George and Konrad! Unfortunately the Wyche came back stronger in the second half and scored 3 goals. Well done to all the boys – despite losing their determination and enthusiasm was commendable!

## Windows On The World Book Day – 29th June 2010

The theme for our book day this year will be 'Windows On The World'. The children will be enjoying activities all day as they 'travel the world from class to class'. Please send your child into school wearing a costume from a country in which he/she is interested.

## School Holiday List 2010 – 2011

	<b>School Closes</b>	<b>School Reopens</b>
<b>Summer 2010</b>		Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September
<b>Autumn Half Term</b>	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> November
<b>Christmas</b>	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2011
<b>Spring Half Term</b>	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> February	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> March
<b>Easter 2011</b>	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> May (includes May Day)
<b>Summer Half Term</b>	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June
<b>Summer 2011</b>	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	

## Class Assemblies

Parents are welcome to attend class assemblies. Here is a list of the remaining class assemblies for this term :

Reception : Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June at 9.05am

Year 1 : Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June at 9.05am

Year 4 : Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June at 9.05am

Year 2 : Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July at 9.05am

## Diary Dates

- Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May : Reception visit to Reaseheath  
Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May : Corpus Christi Mass in School / First Communion children – photos and party  
Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May : INSET Day (school closed for pupils)  
Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June : Half Term  
Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June : School re-opens  
Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June : Y6 Parents Meeting to view 'Growing Up' DVD – 12.30pm  
Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June : Years 2 & 6 – Science (Forces) Workshop  
Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> June : School Nurse with Y6  
Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> June : School Nurse 'Drop In' – 8.30am  
Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> June : Reptile Expert with Reception & Y1  
Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June : Let's Bike – Session 2  
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> June : Nantwich Swimming Gala  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June : Parents Meeting for September 2010 Reception – 6.00pm  
Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June : Brine Leas Induction Visit  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June : Let's Bike Session 3  
Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June : Induction Evening for Parents at Brine Leas – 6pm  
Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June : Y6 Brine Leas Induction Day  
Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June : Y5 Retreat Day at St Thomas More  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June : Let's Bike – Session 4  
Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June : Summer Fayre (FOSA)  
Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> June : Windows on the World Book Day for St Anne's School  
Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> July : Y6 Induction Day at St Joseph's College  
Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> July : New Reception 2010 Visits  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July : New Reception 2010 Visits  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July : Let's Bike – Session 5  
Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July : St Anne's Day  
Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July : Full Governors Meeting at 4.30pm  
Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July : Habitat Studies at Brereton Heath Park – Year 6  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July : Reports due to Parents  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July : Choir Production of Buggy Malone – 7.00pm  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July : Let's Bike – Session 6  
Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> July : Nantwich Family Fun Day & Battle of the Bands – 10.00am  
Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July : Spanish Theme Day in school (letter to follow)  
Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July : Choir Production of Buggy Malone – 7.00pm  
Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July : Y6 Bowling 5.30pm  
Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July : St Thomas More Y6 Transition Day  
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July : Year 6 Leavers Mass & BBQ in school  
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July : SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR SUMMER BREAK