



St Anne's CE Primary School & Nursery

NEWSLETTER



Someone Special Day – Friday 8 March 2024

Thank you to everyone who joined us on Friday for our Someone Special Afternoon. It was a lovely afternoon, celebrating all of the wonderful people in our children's lives. We hope you enjoyed the bingo and congratulations to our winners. Thank you to the Year 6 children who helped call out the numbers, you did a fantastic job!

We also drew the raffle on Friday afternoon and the winning ticket is green 566. Could the lucky winner please bring their ticket to the Office to claim your prize.



Book Fair Competition Winners

Thank you to everyone who entered, we've received some fantastic entries! Well done to our winners who have each received a £5.00 voucher to spend at the Book Fair next week #ShareYourFair



World Book Day 2024

Each classroom at St Anne's offers a space dedicated to reading.

An inviting and engaging escape into a world of interesting pictures, stories, books and non-fiction texts.

The reading areas vary greatly across school according to age, interests, themes and ideas chosen by the children.

We hope you enjoy this sneak peek into the world of reading in school.





Reading Ambassadors

Our Reading Ambassadors have been busy putting together some reading for pleasure book packs for the children. Children can borrow a pack and enjoy reading the book. Once they have finished the book, they can complete a page in the scrapbook. There is a sheet in the front of the scrapbook that explains what to do. Once they have finished, they should return the pack to school so someone else can borrow it.

The Reading Ambassadors chose the books, put the packs together and completed some scrapbook pages as an example. They then planned and delivered their own assembly to explain the packs to the rest of the school. They were absolutely amazing and we are very proud of them!



We are excited to announce that we will be holding a Book Fair again this year. We plan to offer you the opportunity to visit the Book Fair with your children on:

Wednesday 13 March 3.30-4.30pm Main Hall

Thursday 14 March 3.30-4.30pm Main Hall

Monday 18 March 3.30 – 4.30pm Main Hall

Children will also have the opportunity to visit the Book Fair during the school day during that week.

Books can be purchased in person during the Book Fair (cash or payments can be made online using QR code) or online. You can also use your World Book Day ticket, to receive £1 off your total purchase per child.

By using the Book Fair, you will provide funds back into school, to purchase much needed reading material for our school library. Your continued support in making St Anne's such a magical school, is as always, much appreciated.

RED NOSE DAY IS BACK FOR 2024!

Friday 15 March 2024. Do Something Funny for Money.

Friday 15th March 2024

Next Friday we will be taking part in Comic relief. The theme this year is 'wear something funny for money.' The charities team have decided that the children can come to school wearing something funny. This could be as simple as a red nose, an odd sock, a wig or you could be as creative as you like in a full outfit.

The team are also inviting the children to bring a joke in to school. We will choose a winner from each class and they will be able to read their joke to the rest of the school during assembly time.

There will be collection buckets around on the morning to put in a small donation if you wish to do so.

Thank you.

Mrs. Tonge and the charities team.

Tuck Shop changes

From next term, tuck shop will no longer operate on a weekly basis. This is to support our healthy eating initiatives around school. Instead, tuck shop will be held once every half term, on Friday 24 May and Friday 19 July. Also following our trial of using Arbor as a payment method, we will be reverting back to cash only. Prices will remain at 30p for a bar of chocolate.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our helpers, who each week help to serve tuck shop.



Weekly class attendance.....4 to 8 March 2024

Reception 94.00%

Year 1 99.00%

Year 2 91.43%

Year 3 95.67%

Year 4 97.78%

Year 5 98.33%

Year 6 98.28%





Safeguarding Training/information for Parents

[Action against abduction](#) ([Home - Action Against Abduction](#)) - Building children's confidence and abilities rather than simply warning them about all strangers and [Clever never goes](#) ([Home - Clever Never Goes](#)) - the new campaign that teaches children how to stay safe from abduction whether they are outside or online.

Road Safety

Could we please ask that extra care is given when parking outside of school. We have had reports from other motorists of some near misses and concerns raised over the safety of our children. We kindly ask that you consider other motorists as well as our neighbours. Thank you for your support

Dietary Information

Could we please ask that any child with a dietary intolerance or allergy, that you collect from the Office a specialist form. This form **must** be completed for children, regardless if they take packed lunch or school meals. Forms already completed, do not need to be resubmitted. If your child has a dietary preference or aversion, that information should be passed onto the Office. For any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the Office. Thank you

Polite reminder that children who have vomited or have had diarrhoea should remain off school for 48 hours from the last episode. This is to ensure your child is fully fit before returning to school and also to help stop the spread of illness to children and staff. Thank you





Absence reporting

Polite reminder that all absences and medical appointments should be reported to the Office by telephone on 01388 603359 each day.

Medical appointments

We have a large number of children leaving school early each day for medical appointments. Whilst we understand the difficulties in booking appointments, could we please ask that wherever possible appointments are made outside of school hours to limit disruption to your child's education. We will also be asking for evidence of medical appointments. This can be an appointment card, text etc.

Holiday requests

Polite reminder that all holiday requests must be made in advance, with forms available from the Office. Please be aware that only in exceptional circumstances will your request will be approved.

Earrings

Could we please remind you that earrings should be removed for PE lessons and where they cant be removed, they should be taped.

Reading books

We have a number of reading books being returned from home damaged or not being returned at all. Could we please ask that care is taken with any books taken home. Any lost or damaged books will be charged at £2.00 per book, to your child's Arbor account.

February
1
2 Tuck shop/hot chocolate Year 3 Visit to St Anne's Church
3
4
5 Mental Health week
6 Year 5 Hamsterley Forest
7 Safer Internet Day
8
9 Tuck shop/hot chocolate
10
11
12
13 Pancake Day
14 Valentine Lunch Valentine Disco
15
16 Tuck shop/hot chocolate
17
18
19 Holiday
20 Holiday
21 Holiday
22 Holiday
23 Holiday
24
25
26 Fair Trade Fortnight
27 Reception Phonics Talk
28
29 Year 4 Parent Information Evening 3.45 & 5.00pm

March	April
1 Tuck shop/hot chocolate	1 Holiday
2	2 Holiday
3	3 Holiday
4 Parents evening NO after school club	4 Holiday
5 Parents evening NO after school club	5 Holiday
6 Parents evening Class Photographs NO film club	6
7 Parents evening World Book Day NO SATS boosters	7
8 Parents evening Special Person Day— coffee afternoon & bingo Tuck shop/hot chocolate	8 Holiday
9	9 Holiday
10	10 Holiday
11	11 Holiday
12	12 Holiday
13 Book Fair 3.30-4.30pm	13
14 Book Fair 3.30-4.30pm	14
15 Red Nose Day Tuck shop/hot chocolate	15
16	16
17	17
18 Book Fair 3.30-4.30pm	18
19	19
20	20
21	21
22 Tuck shop/hot chocolate	22
23	23
24	24
25	25 Y4 Class Worship
26	26 Earth Day
27 Reception Phonics Talk 3.30pm	27
28 Tuck shop/hot chocolate	28
29 Holiday	29
30	30
31	

May	June	July	August
1	1	1	1 Holiday
2 PD Day	2	2	2 Holiday
3	3 Robinwood	3	3
4	4 Robinwood	4	4
5	5 Robinwood	5	5 Holiday
6 Bank Holiday	6	6	6 Holiday
7	7	7	7 Holiday
8	8	8	8 Holiday
9	9	9 Music concert	9 Holiday
10	10	10	10
11	11	11	11
12	12	12	12 Holiday
13 KS2 SATS week	13	13	13 Holiday
14	14 Special Person Day	14	14 Holiday
15	15	15 Reports to Parents	15 Holiday
16	16	16	16 Holiday
17	17	17 Performance	17
18	18	18 Performance	18
19	19	19 Nursery graduation Tuck shop	19 Holiday
20	20 Sports Day	20	20 Holiday
21	21 World Music Day	21	21 Holiday
22	22	22 Y6 leavers	22 Holiday
23 Y5 Class Worship	23	23	23 Holiday
24 Tuck Shop	24 Pride week	24 Holiday	24
25	25	25 Holiday	25
26	26	26 Holiday	26 Holiday
27 Holiday	27	27	27 Holiday
28 Holiday	28 PD Day	28	28 Holiday
29 Holiday	29	29 Holiday	29 Holiday
30 Holiday	30	30 Holiday	30 Holiday
31 Holiday		31 Holiday	31



School holidays for the 2023/24 academic year

Holiday	Closing date	Date re-opens
Summer 2023	Friday 21 July 2023	Monday 4 September 2023
Autumn half-term 2023	Friday 27 October 2023	Monday 6 November 2023
Christmas 2023	Tuesday 19 December 2023	Wednesday 3 January 2024
Spring half-term 2024	Friday 16 February 2024	Monday 26 February 2024
Easter 2024	Thursday 28 March 2024	Monday 15 April 2024
May Day 2024	Friday 3 May 2024	Tuesday 7 May 2024
Summer half-term 2024	Friday 24 May 2024	Monday 3 June 2024
Summer 2024	Tuesday 23 July 2024	Wednesday 4 September 2024

PD dates for 2023/24 are:

Monday 4 September 2023

Tuesday 5 September 2023

Friday 17 November 2023

Thursday 2 May 2024

Friday 28 June 2024

On these dates school will be closed for all children.

