



St Anne's CE Primary School & Nursery

NEWSLETTER



Welcome Back, Mrs Johnson!

This morning, we had the absolute pleasure of welcoming back the wonderful Mrs Johnson—a cherished member of the St Anne's family!

She shared her brilliant new book, “What I Didn’t Do Last Summer”, with the children and spoke passionately about the exciting world of authors and illustrators. The children were captivated, with one even declaring her “the best author in the world!”

In Lesley’s own inspiring words:

“Reach for the stars, the greatest adventures exist in your mind. Dive in, explore, and see what you find...”

You can purchase a copy of her book from the school office from Monday or this afternoon at the Special Persons Afternoon for just £6.99—a perfect addition to your summer reading list!

It was truly wonderful having Mrs Johnson back in school. Once a part of St Anne's, always a part of St Anne's.





This week we have enjoyed having lots of discussions about our Dad's. The children have each written a fact file all about them. It's been great getting to know them a little bit better! Alongside this, the children have each drawn a picture of their Dad for their cards. We are amazed at their artwork and we knew who they belonged to just by looking at their drawing.

In maths we have been looking at sharing and grouping and thinking about if a number is odd or even. We had a little sweet treat each to help us with our working out and deciding.

Elsewhere in the classroom, we were excited at the arrival of our caterpillars. We're keeping a close eye on them to see how they grow and change over the next few weeks and wait in anticipation for the arrival of our butterflies. We have been learning lots of facts around the life cycle of a butterfly and learnt lots of new vocabulary.

In PE we have been focusing on partner work and getting ready for our sports day. We had a go at trying the howler and we could throw it very far! Next Friday we have our grab a grown up event with Education Enterprise. One adult can come in to school per child where we will join in with some physical tasks and little competitions.

Well done Reception!

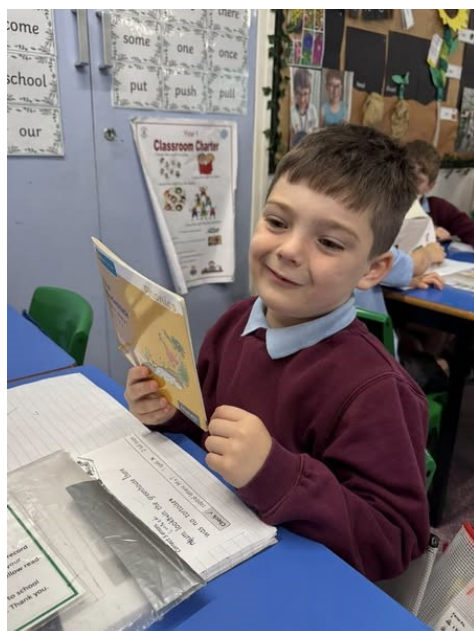
Have a great weekend.

Mrs. Tonge and Mrs. Peairs.





We love the excitement of new book day during our
RWInc sessions!





We warmly invite all members of our school and local community to join us for a special summer picnic in memory of our much-loved teacher, colleague and friend, Mr Owen Browell.

This gathering will take place on the school field following Sports Day on Tuesday 1st July and is open to everyone who wishes to come together to celebrate Owen's life and the incredible legacy he leaves behind.

Bring a blanket, your favourite picnic food and wear red to represent his much-loved football team, Arsenal.

School gates will open at 3:45pm. There will be cake stalls, raffles and plenty more to enjoy so remember to bring some pennies.

Monies raised from the children's sponsored run will go to the Brain Tumour Charity - a charity close to the heart of Mr Browell's family.

Let's fill the field with laughter, stories and smiles that Owen would have wanted.

Please spread the word—all are welcome.



I'M AN 11-YR-OLD Get Me Out Of Here!

by Andrew Oxspring, Nick Haworth,
Mark & Lisa Hilton



Head Teacher: Mrs S Binks

Minds to learn hearts to care.



Managing your Family Budget



- Would you like support in managing your family budget?
- Would you like to learn about shopping strategies, meal planning and preparing budget friendly meals to get the best value for your money?



Scan the QR Code and book onto the session

St Annes Primary School
Wednesday 2nd July
14:00 till 15:30

£20 Food Voucher for all attendees





Weekly class attendance.....9 to 13 June 2025

Reception	95.19%
Year 1	97.41%
Year 2	97.78%
Year 3	98.15%
Year 4	95.93%
Year 5	98.41%
Year 6	96.25%



Stars of the Week



Nursery	Leon for having a much better week and a positive attitude towards his writing
Reception	Darcy and Cicely for their independent writing about our caterpillars
Year 2 Citizen	Charlotte
Year 2 Maths	Reya
Year 2 English	Zoey
Year 3 Citizen	Ben
Year 3 English	Cerys
Year 3 Maths	Esme
Year 4 Citizen	Bohdi and Mack
Year 4 Maths	Seb
Year 4 English	Theo
Year 5 English	Dre
Year 5 Maths	Robyn
Year 5 Citizen	Astrid





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

Medication

Please ensure that all medication, including over the counter medication is taken to the School Office each day and the appropriate form is completed. No medication should be placed in your child's bag or lunch box. This will ensure that the medication is managed correctly and is not accessed by another child.

Polite reminder that no dogs should be brought onto school property including those being carried.

Thank you



We are looking for donations of raffle and tombola prizes for our Community Event on Tuesday 1 July.

Donations will be gratefully received at the School Office up to Tuesday 24 June.

Thank you for your continued support

Please don't forget to ask for your tokens and help us raise funds for our school library

Stronger Starts.

St Anne's CE Primary School calls out for votes to get a share of Tesco's Stronger Starts fund

St Anne's is bidding for a cash boost from the Tesco Stronger Starts scheme. Stronger Starts provides grant awards of up to £1,500 to local community projects, with a particular focus on children and young people. Three groups in every community have been shortlisted to receive grant awards and Tesco customers can vote for the group they think should take away the top award in their local Tesco store. St Anne's is one of the groups on the shortlist in Bishop Auckland.

We would use any funding available to "To refurbish our school library so that all children, staff, volunteers and visitors across school can enjoy reading for pleasure"

Voting is open in all Tesco stores from April to the end of June 2025. Customers will cast their vote using a blue token given to them at the check-out each time they shop. Tesco's Stronger Starts – previously known as Tesco Community Grants - has already provided over £117 million to more than 67,000 projects across Britain. This £5m Stronger Starts grant programme, delivered in partnership with Groundwork UK, helps schools and children's groups provide nutritious food and healthy activities that support young people's physical health and mental wellbeing, such as breakfast clubs or snacks, and sports equipment for after school clubs.

Claire de Silva, Tesco UK Head of Communities and Local Media, said: "Helping schools and children's groups access the food and resources they need is vitally important in getting children a stronger start in life. Children with enough food have more energy, better concentration, and ultimately achieve more too."

Graham Duxbury, Groundwork's UK Chief Executive, said: "As a community charity, we have seen first-hand how schools and other groups supporting young people have been playing a much bigger role in ensuring children are getting a healthy start to the day and getting access to spaces and services to support physical activity and mental health. Family budgets are tight and school budgets are tight, but it's so important that children stay fed, fit and focused, so we're delighted to be able to prioritise these activities alongside Tesco with the Stronger Starts programme."

Funding is available to community groups and charities looking to fund local projects that bring benefits to communities, particularly those helping to provide food and giving children the support, they need for a good start in life. Anyone can nominate a project and organisations can apply online.

To find out more visit tescoplc.com/strongerstarts



Important Dates – Summer Term

Week Beginning Monday 2nd June – Friday 13th June

Multiplication and Times Table Check – Year 4 Only

Monday 9th June – Friday 13th June

Phonics Screening – Year 1

Tuesday 10th June

Year 6 Durham Cathedral Service (*Please note: This is a pupil-only event. No parents.*)

Wednesday 11th June

- Netball League Begins After School (*More information to follow for those involved.*)

Cricket Festival – All Year 4- AM only.

Friday 13th June

Special Person Afternoon – 2:00pm (*One special person per child is invited to attend- Weather Permitting*)

Wednesday 18th June

- **King James – No Wasted Week** – *For children who are going to King James next year.*

School Closed for PD Day

Thursday 19th June

Whole School Bubble Fest

Friday 20th June

Grab a Grown Up – Reception – 2-3:30pm
(*One parent per Reception child*)



Monday 23rd June
Year 5 at St Johns

Tuesday 24th June
Year 5 at Bishop Barrington

Wednesday 25th June
Year 1 trip to the Locomotion

Thursday 26th June
Year 1 Class Worship – 9:15 am (*Parents of year one children invited*)

Friday 27th June
Year 6 Special Trip – More details to follow – During school hours

Monday 30th June
Year 5 at King James

Tuesday 1st July

- **Sports Day- Weather Permitting**
 - EYFS & KS1: 9:15am – approximately 11:00am
 - KS2: 1:30pm – Home time
- **Community Event in Memory of Mr Browell – 3:45- 5:00pm – Weather Permitting** (*Please refer to details in the attached letter.*)

Wednesday 2nd July

New Reception Induction Meeting- 4:00pm

King James – No Wasted Week – For children who are going to King James next year.

Friday 4th July

Rock Steady Music Concert – 2:00pm

Tuesday 8th July

Reception and Year 6 Beach Trip (*During school hours.*)

Wednesday 9th July

Music Concert – 1:30pm (*Further details to follow regarding participants.*)

King James – No Wasted Week – For children who are going to King James next year.



Thursday 10th July

Year 6 Transition Day

Friday 11th July

Transition Day – AM Children move up to their new class to meet their new teachers!

Nursery Graduation – 2:00pm (four guests per nursery child)

Year 6 Transition Day

Tuesday 15th July

Whole School Performance – 9:30am

Whole School Performance – 1:45pm

Wednesday 16th July

Whole School Performance – 1:45pm (Front row seats in this performance will be reserved for Year 6 Parents)

Friday 18th July

Year 6 Leavers Assembly – 9:15am (Parents invited.)

School will close at 12:00 for the electrical re-wire

