



St Anne's CE Primary School & Nursery

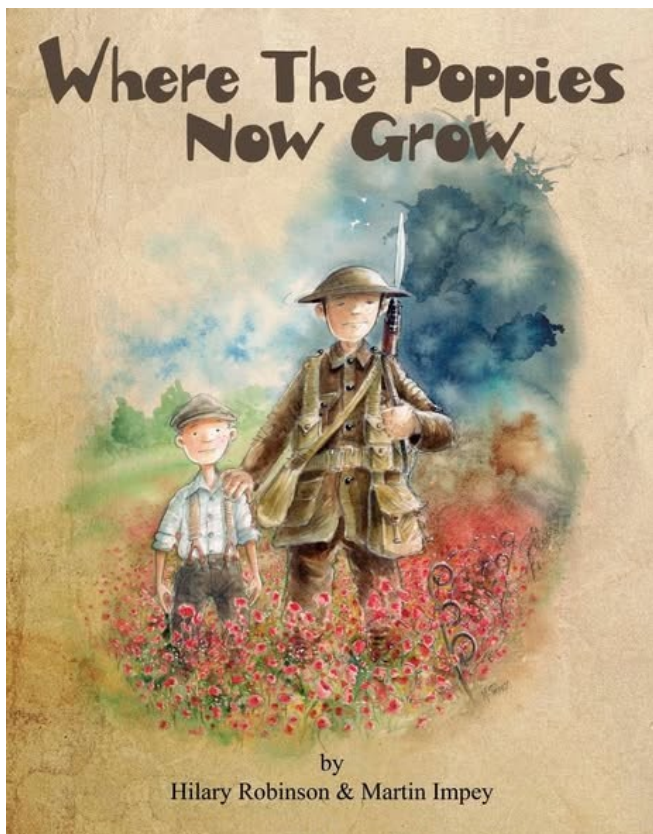
NEWSLETTER



Remembrance Day

We were honoured for St. Anne's to take part in the beautiful Remembrance Service at the Market Place on Sunday. The girls represented our school wonderfully as they laid our wreath, and Noah did a fantastic job laying a wreath on behalf of Sam Rushworth, Bishop Auckland MP.

Well done, you did our school proud.



This week in Reception, the children explored the story “Where the Poppies Now Grow.”

We talked gently about the poppy as a special symbol of remembrance — a time to remember and thank people who have helped keep us safe.

The children enjoyed creating their own poppies using a variety of media and materials, proudly showing their beautiful artwork. In their play, they even built trenches for toy soldiers, using imagination to deepen their understanding.

On the 11th day, at the 11th hour, we joined together for a 2-minute silence to show respect and reflect.

We are very proud of how thoughtfully the children took part.

Follow the link to watch a beautiful animation following a young rabbit through the poppy fields. We used this to commemorate Remembrance Day with a message of peace and hope and lead our 2 minute silence in class.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/poppies>

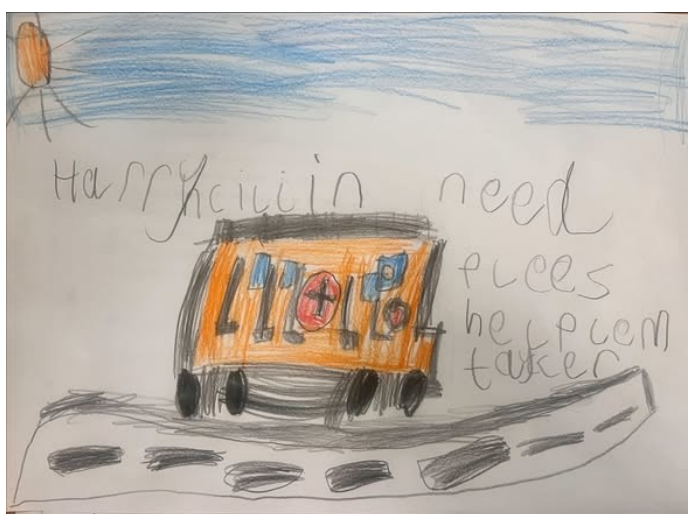




Children from across school have enjoyed wearing their Pudsey clothing and merchandise in support of **BBC Children in Need**.

Special thank you to Harry in Year 1 for his thoughtful poster.

Thank you for your kind donations and continued support.



This week in Year 6.....

This week in Year 6 we have continued to explore our new geography topic of mountains. We reminded ourselves of the major mountains in the four parts of the United Kingdom and mountains around the world before learning about how different mountains are formed.

We learned that Fold Mountains occur when tectonic plates collide and push the ground upwards. Volcanic mountains are a result of repeated volcanic activity. Fault block mountains, such as the Sierra Nevada mountains, are caused when the earth cracks and some areas are pushed up and others down. In mathematics we have continued to work on fractions and in English we have studied metaphor and simile along with writing a biography of Nelson Mandela.



Together we have raised... **£467.90** ...
for our school to spend on **FREE BOOKS**



WOW! Thank you so much for your amazing support of our
Scholastic Book Fair.

Together you have raised an outstanding £467.90 for us to
spend on books, for children across school.



Weekly class attendance..... 10 to 14 November 2025

Reception **98.00%**

Year 1 96.00%

Year 2 96.67%

Year 3 95.02%

Year 4 89.63%

Year 5 76.45%

Year 6 94.29%



Stars of the Week



Nursery	<i>Florence for creating lovely art work in nursery</i>
Reception English	<i>Viki</i>
Reception Citizen	<i>Oscar</i>
Reception Maths	<i>Alfie</i>
Year 1 Citizen	<i>Danny</i>
Year 1 Maths	<i>Alyssa</i>
Year 1 English	<i>Luca</i>
Year 2 Citizen	<i>Nathan</i>
Year 2 Maths	<i>Matthew</i>
Year 2 English	<i>Ferne & George</i>
Year 3 Citizen	<i>All of Year 3</i>
Year 3 Maths	<i>Theo</i>
Year 3 English	<i>Maneli</i>
Year 4 Citizen	<i>Thomas</i>
Year 4 Maths	<i>Charlie</i>
Year 4 English	<i>Erin</i>
Year 5 Citizen	<i>Isaac</i>
Year 5 Maths	<i>Yvie</i>
Year 5 English	<i>Jessica</i>
Year 6 English	<i>Robyn</i>
Year 6 Maths	<i>Alice</i>
Year 6 Citizen	<i>Ava</i>



To our families of EYFS & KS1

We are so excited to invite you to
St Anne's CE Primary School
production of



the Twinkly Nativity

Here's everything you need to know
about our nativity performance!

DATE: Wednesday 17 December

TIME: 9.30am & 2.00pm

ANY EXTRA INFO: 2 tickets per child
tickets available from Office from 17.11.25

Please bring your **loudest** round of applause
and your **biggest** standing-ovation shoes...

We're gonna bring some
twinkle
to your **toes!**





KS2 Carol Service
Thursday 18 December 2025
St Andrew's Church
1.30pm
Everyone welcome

*Children will be able to leave after performance. Children not collected from the Church will return to school for collection – please let the Office know if your child is to return to school



Wednesday 10 December 2025

Christmas Lunch

MAINS

Roast Turkey
Quorn Roast (V)

SIDES

Roast Potatoes
Carrots
Peas or Brussel Sprouts
Sausage
Stuffing and Gravy

DESSERTS

Vanilla Christmas Shortbread
College Pudding

*Menus may be subject to change

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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

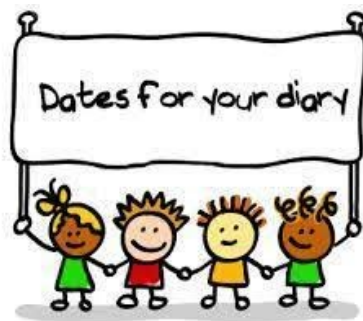
Medication

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.

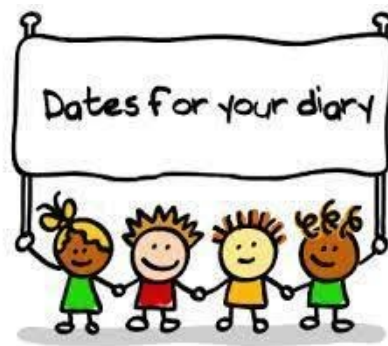
Thank you





November	December
1	1 Gymnastics Show (children invited by email)
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3	3 Year 1 Visit to Beamish
4	4 Nursery & Reception Visit to Winter Wonderland
5	5 Christmas fayre (pm)
6	6
7	7
8	8 Pantomime (EYFS & KS1—am) (KS2 pm)
9	9 Snow Fest (TBC)
10 Anti-bullying week	10 Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch
11 Parent evenings start	Nursery & Reception visit to St Anne's Church
12	11 Year 6 Christmas Songs at St Anne's Church 10am
13	12 Year 6 The Big Sing
14 Children in Need lunch	Rocksteady Concert 2pm (details to follow)
Year 3 Visit to Hindu Temple & Hancock Museum	Year 1 & 2 Visit to Winter Wonderland
15	13
16	14
17	15
18 Year 4 Visit to Binchester Roman Fort	16
19 Toy Appeal Deadline	17 EYFS/KS1 nativity (details to follow)
20	18 KS2 Carol Service—St Andrew's Church 1.30pm
21 Year 6 visit to Bishop Auckland Town Hall (selected students have been emailed)	19
22	20
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24 parliament week	22 Holiday
25	23 Holiday
26	24 Holiday
27	25 Holiday
28	26 Holiday
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30	28
	29 Holiday
	30 Holiday
	31 Holiday





























January	February
1 Holiday	1
2 Holiday	2
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19 Reception—Grab a Grown Up 9.30-10.45am	19
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23	23 Holiday
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25	25 Holiday
26	26 Holiday
27 Y5 worship	27 Holiday
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AUTUMN/WINTER 2025 MENU

WEEK 1 ST ANNE'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1 Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges and Baked Beans 	THEME DAY Chicken Katsu with Wholegrain Rice 	Roast Chicken with Potatoes and Gravy 	Minced Beef and Dumplings with Mashed Potato 	Breaded Fish Fingers with Chips 
	OPTION 2 Spicy Pasta Bake  		Quorn Roast with Potatoes and Gravy  	Chinese Vegetable Noodles  	Veggie Burger with Chips 
	OPTION 3 Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings 		Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings 	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings 	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings 
DELI	OPTION 4 Sandwich Selection 	Cheese and Tuna Panini Melt 	Sandwich Selection 	Cheese Panini Melt 	Sandwich Selection 
ALL DISHES ARE SERVED WITH CRUNCHY VEGETABLES AND / OR FRESH SALAD					
VEG	Sweetcorn Salad Bar 	Garden Peas Big Bowl Salad 	Cabbage Sweetcorn 	Green Beans Carrots 	Baked Beans Garden Peas 
DESSERT	Vanilla Crunch	Oatie Cookie with Fruit 	Cornflake Tart	Apple Crumble with Custard 	Chocolate Ice Cream



AVAILABLE DAILY

Fresh Fruit, Freshly Baked Bread, Yoghurt and Water



Vegetarian



Wholegrain



Nutritionist's choice



Oily fish



Fruity!



Vegan

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WEEK 2 ST ANNE'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1 Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges  	Pork Sausage with Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potato and Gravy 	Roast Chicken with Stuffing, Potatoes and Gravy  	Chicken Korma with Wholegrain Rice 	Southern Fried Chicken with Chips 
	OPTION 2 Veggie Sausage in a Bun with Potato Wedges  	Cheese and Onion Pie Mashed Potato and Gravy  	Quorn Roast with Stuffing, Potatoes and Gravy  	Macaroni Cheese   	Quorn Dippers with Chips 
	OPTION 3 Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings 	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings 	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings 	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings 	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings 
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ALL DISHES ARE SERVED WITH CRUNCHY VEGETABLES AND / OR FRESH SALAD					
VEG	Sweetcorn Coleslaw 	Garden Peas Carrots 	Green Beans Cabbage 	Big Bowl Salad Sweetcorn 	Baked Beans Garden Peas 
DESSERT	Crispy Crackle Bar	Chocolate Cookie with Fruit 	Flapjack with Custard 	Lemon Cake 	Strawberry Ice Cream



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		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges 	Homemade Sausage Roll with Potato Wedges and Baked Beans 	Roast Gammon with Yorkshire Pudding, Mashed Potato and Gravy 	Beef Bolognese with Wholemeal Pasta 	Breaded Fish Fingers with Chips
	OPTION 2	Macaroni Cheese 	Vegetable Korma with Wholegrain Rice 	Quorn Roast with Yorkshire Pudding, Mashed Potato and Gravy 	Meatless Ball Sub with Potato Wedges 	Quorn Dippers with Chips
	OPTION 3	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings 	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings 	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings 	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings 	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings
	DELI OPTION 4	Sandwich Selection 	Cheese and Tuna Panini Melt 	Sandwich Selection 	Cheese Panini Melt 	Sandwich Selection
ALL DISHES ARE SERVED WITH CRUNCHY VEGETABLES AND / OR FRESH SALAD						
VEG		Big Bowl Salad Sweetcorn 	Salad Bar Garden Peas 	Carrots Cabbage 	Big Bowl Salad Sweetcorn 	Baked Beans Garden Peas
DESSERT		Chocolate Marble Cake	Flapjack with Fruit 	Raspberry Yoghurt Cake with Custard 	Lemon Cookie with Fruit 	Vanilla Ice Cream


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Autumn / Winter 2025/2026 Menu Cycle

WK Commencing	Menu WK	Notes
3 rd November 2025	Week 1	
10 th November 2025	Week 2	
17 th November 2025	Week 3	
24 th November 2025	Week 1	
1 st December 2025	Week 2	
8 th December 2025	Week 3	
15 th December 2025	Week 1	
22 nd December 2025	-	Christmas Holidays
29 th December 2025	-	Christmas Holidays
5 th January 2026	Week 2	
12 th January 2026	Week 3	
19 th January 2026	Week 1	
26 th January 2026	Week 2	
2 nd February 2026	Week 3	
9 th February 2026	Week 1	
16 th February 2026	Week 2	
23 rd February 2026	-	Half Term
2 nd March 2026	Week 3	
9 th March 2026	Week 1	
16 th March 2026	Week 2	
23 rd March 2026	Week 3	
30 th March 2026	Week 1	
6 th April 2026	-	Easter Holidays
13 th April 2026	-	Easter Holidays

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		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges and Baked Beans		THEME DAY Chicken Katsu with Wholegrain Rice		Roast Chicken with Potatoes and Gravy		Minced Beef and Dumplings with Mashed Potato		Breaded Fish Fingers with Chips	
	OPTION 2	Spicy Pasta Bake		BBQ Vegetable Wrap with Potato Wedges		Quorn Roast with Potatoes and Gravy		Chinese Vegetable Noodles		Veggie Burger with Chips	
	OPTION 3	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings		Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings		Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings		Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings		Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	
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VEG		Sweetcorn Salad Bar		Garden Peas Big Bowl Salad		Cabbage Sweetcorn		Green Beans Carrots		Baked Beans Garden Peas	
DESSERT		Vanilla Crunch		Oatie Cookie with Fruit		Cornflake Tart		Apple Crumble with Custard		Chocolate Ice Cream	



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HOT DISHES	OPTION 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges		Chicken Fillet with Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potato and Gravy		Roast Chicken with Stuffing, Potatoes and Gravy		Chicken Korma with Wholegrain Rice		Southern Fried Chicken with Chips	
	OPTION 2			Cheese and Onion Pie Mashed Potato and Gravy		Quorn Roast with Stuffing, Potatoes and Gravy		Macaroni Cheese		Quorn Dippers with Chips	
	OPTION 3	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings		Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings		Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings		Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings		Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	
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DELI	VEG										
		Sweetcorn Coleslaw		Garden Peas Carrots		Green Beans Cabbage		Big Bowl Salad Sweetcorn		Baked Beans Garden Peas	
DESSERT		Crispy Crackle Bar		Chocolate Cookie with Fruit		Flapjack with Custard		Lemon Cake		Strawberry Ice Cream	



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WEEK 3 ST ANNE'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

HOT DISHES

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MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

Cheese and Tomato
Pizza with Potato
Wedges

OR

Macaroni Cheese

OR

Jacket Potato with a
Choice of Fillings

OR

Sandwich Selection

Homemade Sausage
Roll with Potato
Wedges and Baked
Beans

OR

Vegetable Korma with
Wholegrain Rice

OR

Jacket Potato with a
Choice of Fillings

OR

Cheese and Tuna
Panini Melt

Roast Gammon with
Yorkshire Pudding,
Mashed Potato and
Gravy

OR

Quorn Roast with
Yorkshire Pudding,
Mashed Potato and
Gravy

OR

Jacket Potato with a
Choice of Fillings

OR

Sandwich Selection

Beef Bolognese
with Wholemeal Pasta

OR

Meatless Ball Sub with
Potato Wedges

OR

Jacket Potato with a
Choice of Fillings

OR

Cheese Panini Melt

Breaded Fish Fingers
with Chips

OR

Quorn Dippers with
Chips

OR

Jacket Potato with a
Choice of Fillings

OR

Sandwich Selection

ALL DISHES ARE SERVED WITH CRUNCHY VEGETABLES AND / OR FRESH SALAD

VEG

Big Bowl Salad
Sweetcorn

Salad Bar
Garden Peas

Carrots
Cabbage

Big Bowl Salad
Sweetcorn

Baked Beans
Garden Peas

DESSERT

Chocolate Marble Cake

Flapjack with Fruit

Raspberry Yoghurt
Cake with Custard

Lemon Cookie with
Fruit

Vanilla Ice Cream



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CHRISTMAS TOY APPEAL 2025

This year we are collecting Christmas gifts/new unwrapped toys for children from birth to aged 18, in support of Woodhouse Close Church.

We would be grateful of any donations by **19 November 2025** to the School Office.

Thank you for your support





Christmas Fayre

Friday 5 December 2025

It is nearly time for our Christmas Fayre and we are looking for kind donations and if any volunteers are available to help us.

If you are having a pre-Christmas sort out we are looking for:

Raffle prizes

Tombola prizes

Bottles (can include bubble bath, shampoo, wine etc for a bottle draw)

Christmas themed gifts and food/drinks to make hampers

If you can help in anyway we would be so grateful. Do you work for a company who could donate a raffle prize?

We will be looking for volunteers on the day of the fayre and a list will be on the board outside the Office.

Any queries please see Mrs Davidson or Vicky

Many thanks





As a school, we are working with Durham County Council and the FISO Programme to provide support for families within our school community. As a result, we have been allocated a Financial Inclusion Support Officer, Julia Waterhouse, who can offer advice and support with any financial concerns. She can also offer full welfare benefit checks and assist with applying for welfare benefits, disability benefits and grants.

Accessing this provision is completely confidential. If you would like your details passing on, we can do this on your behalf. Alternatively, you can arrange an appointment by completing the online referral form: <https://doitonline.durham.gov.uk/.../Request for...> You can also email FISO@durham.gov.uk or contact Julia on 07386659728.

Julia can also be available in school via a pre-bookable appointment if a face-to-face appointment is preferred.



Are you missing out on Universal Credit?

Universal Credit can be paid to working and non working families

There will no longer be an earnings threshold if working and claiming Universal Credit

ALL families in receipt of Universal Credit will be eligible for Free School Meals from September 2026

By claiming Free School Meals this could save you £490 per year per child

Contact your FISO for a FREE confidential welfare benefit check
FISO@durham.gov.uk

https://doitonline.durham.gov.uk/en/service/Request_for_Financial_Inclusion_Support

Julia would like to make all parents and carers aware that the government are changing the eligibility criteria for free school meals in September 2026. This means that every family receiving Universal Credit will now qualify for free school meals. Even if you think you may not qualify for Universal Credit/Free School Meals it is always worth checking. Please contact Julia who will complete a quick, free and confidential welfare benefit check for you. FISO@durham.gov.uk