



St Anne's CE Primary School & Nursery

NEWSLETTER



Year 4 Class Worship

Today, Year 4 welcomed parents and carers with a moving class worship that showcased their incredible effort and creativity. Through thoughtful learning, in-depth research, expressive artwork, and heartfelt singing, the children beautifully emphasised the importance of remembrance and its powerful connection to forgiveness.

Their emotive reflections and performances made Miss Coates and Miss English incredibly proud. Thank you to everyone who joined us to celebrate this special moment.





What a busy couple of weeks in Nursery! We have been reading lots of lovely stories including 'Room on the Broom', which led us to create lots of witchy crafts, and even make our own bubbling potion! We have had some lovely autumn walks and enjoyed lots of football on Wednesdays.

We were lucky enough to have some delicious autumnal cakes for 'Tasty Tuesday', which went down a treat.

This week we are learning about the Hindu festival 'Diwali' or the 'festival of lights'. So far, we have drawn some beautiful Rangoli art outside, explored how people celebrate Diwali, and replicated Henna art. We will continue to explore this topic throughout the week by making our own lamps, and using rice to make more detailed Rangoli!





Back to football with the Year 5/6 league this week at King James. 2 games down, 6 more to go over the next 2 weeks.

Great team effort! Well done everyone!

Our School Network Reads!



In October 2025, students have read...

301 Books

1,827,159 Words

for **13** minutes/day!
(individual student average)

RENAISSANCE Accelerated Reader®





Congratulations to our Read Your Way photo competition winners! Your entries were fantastic and looked great fun! Each winner has won a gift voucher to spend at our Scholastic Book Fair this week





Year 5 had a fun afternoon creating scratch firework art. The children had to cover the page with oil pastels. Once it was covered, the children had to cover their page with a mixture of paint and washing up liquid. After the children's pictures were dry; the children scratched off patterns. As you can see, they were very creative! Well done Year 5!





This week in Reception, we enjoyed learning about the story of Guy Fawkes and exploring a lively poem all about fireworks. The children created their own sparkling firework artwork and discussed important safety rules for Bonfire Night.

We were also inspired by a little boy who had enjoyed some writing at home over half term. On the first Monday back, I was greeted with a wonderful birthday card and some lucky coins! This special moment sparked lots of excitement, leading to party play in the home corner, which we enhanced with party resources.

Soon, the classroom was buzzing with party planning, games, writing invitations, and lots of wonderful role play as we celebrated together through imaginative play.



This week in Art, Year 1 finished their Drawing: exploring line and shape unit. They have produced some amazing 'Paul Klee' inspired artwork using all of their previous knowledge and skills learnt. Well done year 1!



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

Chartwells





Weekly class attendance..... 3 to 7 November 2025

Reception	95.67%
Year 1	100.00%
Year 2	97.00%
Year 3	98.52%
Year 4	94.67%
Year 5	95.16%
Year 6	98.57%



Stars of the Week



Nursery	<i>Fletcher for being a kind friend and always having a lovely smile on his face</i>
Reception English	<i>Ocean</i>
Reception Citizen	<i>Snow</i>
Reception Maths	<i>Myles</i>
Year 1 Citizen	<i>Cicely</i>
Year 1 Maths	<i>Eloise</i>
Year 1 English	<i>Evie</i>
Year 2 Citizen	<i>Bellamy</i>
Year 2 Maths	<i>Emily</i>
Year 2 English	<i>Phoebe</i>
Year 3 Citizen	<i>Hollie</i>
Year 3 Maths	<i>Leon</i>
Year 3 English	<i>Tommie</i>
Year 4 Citizen	<i>All of Year 4 for a fantastic Class Worship</i>
Year 4 Maths	<i>Poppy</i>
Year 4 English	<i>Thomas</i>
Year 5 Citizen	<i>Ethan</i>
Year 5 Maths	<i>Seb</i>
Year 5 English	<i>Lucas S</i>
Year 6 English	<i>Tyler</i>
Year 6 Maths	<i>Alexis</i>
Year 6 Citizen	<i>Mollie</i>





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

Monday 10th - Thursday 13th November – *Parents' Evening Week*

Further details and booking information will be shared soon.

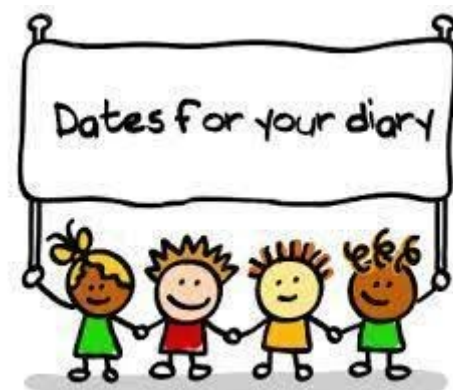
Tuesday 11th November—Flu vaccines

Friday 14th November - Children in Need

Year 3 Visit to Hindu Temple & Hancock Museum

Tuesday 18th November—Year 4 Visit to Binchester Roman Fort

Wednesday 19th November—Deadline for Toy Appeal donations



December

Friday 5th December – *Christmas Fayre*

A festive event for all – times to be confirmed.

Monday 8th December – *Christmas Pantomime*

A special treat for all children.

Wednesday 10th December - Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 11th December – *Year 6 Singing at St Anne's Church*

Performance begins at **10:00am** – Year 6 parents are welcome to attend.

Wednesday 17th December – *EYFS and KS1 Nativity*

Held in school – more details to follow.

Thursday 18th December- *KS2 Carol Service at St Andrew's Church* ****new date****

This will take place in the afternoon

We look forward to welcoming you to these events and thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the school office.



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 OR BBQ Vegetable Wrap with Potato Wedges OR Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings OR Cheese and Tuna Panini Melt	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	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 Cheese and Onion Pie Mashed Potato and Gravy Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings OR Cheese and Tuna Panini Melt	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		Quorn Roast with Stuffing, Potatoes and Gravy	Macaroni Cheese	Quorn Dippers with Chips
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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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OPTION 3

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OPTION 4

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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
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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AUTUMN/WINTER NURSERY 2025 MENU

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Children in Need

MENU

Mains

Southern Fried Chicken Wrap
Fish Fingers
Quorn Dippers
Cheese & Baked Bean Panini

Sides

Chipped Potatoes
Baked Beans
Garden Peas

Dessert

Chocolate Cookie & Ice Cream

Fresh Bread, Salad Bar, Fruit and
Yoghurt also Available

FRIDAY
14TH
NOVEMBER

Chartwells
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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

