

12 October 2026

St Anne's CE Primary & Nursery School

NEWSLETTER

This week in Year 5

Year 5 had a wonderful day visiting the Faith Museum in Bishop Auckland, where they stepped back in time to explore history, faith and traditional writing.

The children began by discovering a range of fascinating Anglo-Saxon artefacts, learning more about life during this period and the stories behind the objects. They also visited the chapel, where they learned about St Bede and his important role in history.

To finish the day, the children had the opportunity to try their hand at calligraphy, learning how to use traditional quills to create their own beautiful writing. This was a fantastic way to bring history to life and experience how people wrote in the past!

Throughout the visit, the children were an absolute credit to St Anne's. The group leaders were full of praise for their kindness and politeness, which made us incredibly proud. Mrs Kilbride and Miss English have been extremely impressed with the children throughout the day, and it was a real pleasure to spend such a memorable day with them.

Well done, Year 5! You should all be very proud of yourselves!



Minds to learn, hearts to care

This week in Year 1

Year 1 have had another fantastic week, working incredibly hard and embracing lots of exciting learning opportunities!

In English, we have been exploring Cave Baby and working hard to develop our sentence structures, helping us to become confident and creative writers with capital letters and full stops.

In PE we have enjoyed football sessions with TASC, as well as learning new handball skills. We have also been lucky enough to take part in additional cricket coaching with Charlie from the Durham Foundation.

On Friday, we had a wonderful visit to St Andrew's Church. Rev. Brett kindly showed us around the churchyard, where we took the opportunity to enjoy an autumn walk and look for signs of seasonal change in the trees. The children were fantastic at spotting the changes happening all around us!

Once inside the church, we explored this week's RE question: "How do Christians celebrate in a church, and what can we find inside?" Rev. Brett had organised a wonderful scavenger hunt, encouraging the children to search for and discover different items within the church. We finished our visit with a beautiful time of worship before returning to school.

To finish our week, we took part in Hello Yellow to mark World Mental Health Day, helping us to remember the importance of looking after our mental health and supporting one another.

Well done, Year 1, for another brilliant week of hard work, curiosity and enthusiasm! We are so proud of you all!

Cricket sessions with Charlie from the Durham cricket foundation.



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Stars of the week

	Maths	English	Citizen	Values
Reception	Mason	William DJ	Lily W	Oliver
Year 1	Jacob	Archer	Robyn	Alfred
Year 2	Liana	Alyssa	Eloise	Aria
Year 3	George	Leo & Franklin	Everyone	Matthew
Year 4	Rex	Hollie	Isaac	Everyone
Year 5	Alex	Henry	Rueben	Maddy & Everyone
Year 6	Zach	Eve	Oscar	Poppy

Attendance figures week ending 9.10.26

Reception	95.48%
Year 1	98.00%
Year 2	99.66%
Year 3	97.00%
Year 4	93.93%
Year 5	97.67%
Year 6	98.15%

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 14 October – EYFS Welly Run

Friday 16 October – Harvest special lunch, Year 5 Class Worship **2.45pm***
new time* & tuck shop. Football World Cup

Wednesday 21 October – Reception Measurements (NHS)

Thursday 22 October – EYFS Visit Bishops Boar. Cross Country County
Finals

Friday 23 October – Tuck shop

Monday 26 – Friday 30 October – half term holiday – school closed

Polite reminder that Parents/Carers should not enter the cloakrooms or classrooms during drop off and pick up times. If you wish to speak with a member of staff, please contact them via email or the School Office. Thank you

Childcare Provision

Breakfast Club 8.00 – 8.45am (last entry 8.20am)

Monday Multisports (R-6) 3.30–4.30pm

Tuesday Jujitsu (1-6) 3.30–4.30pm

Wednesday TASC Football (2-6) 3.30–4.30pm

Thursday Pirate Rob (R-6) 3.30–4.30pm

Wraparound

3.30 – 6.00pm (Monday to Thursday)

3.30 – 4.30pm (Friday)