

St. Ann's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 14th February 2020



We would like to wish Mrs Beaumont good luck and best wishes as she leaves us this week, and say a big thank you for all the amazing PE lessons, sports events and After School Clubs she has organised and run here at St Ann's. We would also like to thank her for the tennis balls that she gifted to each child as a leaving present, and wish her all the best in the future.

Upcoming Events...

Monday 24th February	INSET Day – School Closed – Back to School on 25.02.20
Wednesday 26 th February 9:00am	Ash Wednesday Liturgy
Wednesday 26 th -27 th February	Y3/4 Thornbridge Residential First Night Away
Friday 28 th February	Rec/Y1 Trip to <i>Our Cow Molly</i> Farm
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day
Thursday 12 th March	Y5/6 Apple Store Trip (Information to follow)
Friday 13 th March	No Uniform Day
Thursday 19 th March 3:00pm	Mother's Day Fair

Happy Birthday to Isla C, Isla I, Abigail, Hegel, Tephi, Neeve and Esme H who are all celebrating their birthdays this week or next.

Plugs for Parents...

Ash Wednesday Liturgy 26.02.20: Please join us in the School Hall for our Ash Wednesday Liturgy led by Fr Joseph.

Y3/4 Thornbridge Residential 26-27.02.20: The second instalment of £25 is due for this residential. Please bring your slip along to the school office for stamping if you would like receipt of payment.

Rec/Y1 Trip to *Our Cow Molly* Farm 28.02.20: Please hand all outstanding consent forms and payment in to school by 26th February, as this trip is in the first week back.

World Book Day 05.03.20: Inspired by some of the literacy our classes have been involved with, we invite the children to dress up for World Book Day. Each class is doing something slightly different this year, please see below:

- Reception/Y1 – Children can come dressed as their favourite Roald Dahl character. This could be Mr or Mrs Twit, Charlie from *The Chocolate Factory*, Sophie from *the BFG* or any of the other weird and wonderful characters!
- Y2 – Please come dressed as your favourite Julia Donaldson character. This could be Stick Man, The Highway Rat, the witch from *Room on the Broom*, the lady from *A Squash and a Squeeze*, or even the giant from *The Smartest Giant in Town*, or any other of Julia Donaldson's adorable characters.
- Y3/4 – *We are Amazing!* is the inspiration for Y3/4, so children can come dressed as their best skill or talent. This may be a sport, or a favourite pastime.
- Y5/6 – What does a spy look like? Children can come dressed as spies, so dig out your best disguise!

After School Clubs (ASC) Information:

- ASC emails have been sent out today to confirm the places that have been allocated. If you do not receive an email confirmation, please assume that your child has not been allocated a place due to that ASC being full.
- Please note that all ASCs start on the first week back, with the exception of Craft Club, which will start in the second week back (5th March). All clubs run right up to the Easter break.
- Places still available for Cricket (KS2 - Mondays) and Fundamentals PE (KS1 - Wednesdays). If your child would like a place please contact the school office
- Please can children bring appropriate clothing for the ASCs where needed. Gardening Club will take place outside whatever the weather, so children will need to bring warm waterproof clothing, hat, gloves and wellies. Children doing the sports ASCs will need their PE kit.

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Plugs for Parents Continued...

National Online Safety: This week's parents' guide is titled *From Online Gaming to Online Gambling*. This week's Guide will be emailed with this newsletter, or visit <https://st-anns.sheffield.sch.uk/online-safety/> to view all the Wake Up Wednesday guides.

Sports Provision: We have a new coaching team from Qualitas joining us after half term to deliver PE sessions and After School Clubs, and as part of the team we would like to offer Adam a warm welcome to St Ann's.

Class Projects: We are very proud of the work the children have done on their class projects since September and would like to share their achievements with you. Visit the class pages on our website <https://st-anns.sheffield.sch.uk/classes/> to take a sneak peek at what they have been up to.

Head Lice: There has been another outbreak of head lice, especially in KS1. Even if you don't think your child has head lice, please check your child's hair regularly, and treat quickly where necessary. Thank you.

Penny Wars: After half term until the end of the year the classes will compete in Penny Wars! Children can place their coppers in their class's jar to gain points and place their silver coins in another class's jar to lower their total score. The winning class gets a movie afternoon with popcorn!

Y5/6 Kingswood Residential: The third payment of £50 was due Friday 7th February. If you haven't already paid this, please do so as soon as possible. Please bring your slip along to the school office for stamping if you would like receipt of payment.

News...

St Mary's Bookstall: We have just received a kind donation of £117 from St Mary's Church community bookstall and would like to support the good work they do for local charities like ourselves by donating unwanted books. If anyone is having a clear out over the half term break, and needs to find a good home for the novels they no longer want, then please drop them in to the school office, thank you.

Special Masses at St Ann's Church 6:30pm:

1st March is going to be Poverty Sunday, which ties in with Cafod family fast day - looking at support the local food bank.
10th May - Peace Sunday, which ties in with VE day - come dressed in 1940s clothes if you wish!



10th February 2020
What's going on this week?



Nike Vaporfly trainers, which have revolutionised running allowing runners to break world marathon records, have been given the green light by World Athletics. In a long-awaited ruling the World Athletics, who are the sport's governing body, confirmed that Nike Vaporflys, which cost £240 and can improve marathon times by one-to-two minutes in elite athletes, are legally allowable despite many in the sport accusing the shoes of providing a huge advantage for runners.

Things to talk about at home...

- Do you feel better taking part in sport in some clothes or shoes more than others? Which ones?
- Do you think the Nike trainers should be banned if they are proven to make people run faster?
- If the Nike trainers are banned for professional athletes for making things unfair, should they be banned for everyone else too? Why?