

# St. Ann's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2022



## A Reminder

We want to give all of our children at St Ann's the best chance to achieve their potential in education and teach them the important discipline of punctuality as a life skill. As well as missing learning time, children who arrive late disrupt the learning of those in their class. The classroom doors are open **from 8:30am until 8:40am when lessons start**. Children arriving after this time receive a late mark. **If you aim to get your child to school for 8.30, they then have 10 minutes to get their coats off and be sitting ready to learn for 8.40.**

Helpful tips for punctuality:

- Change your 'setting off' target time to 10 minutes earlier.
- Prepare for your morning the night before.
- Practice routines (consistency in bedtimes and morning routines can help set your child's body clock, helping them to get to sleep and wake up easier)

## Upcoming Events...

Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	Y3/4 Start Swimming Lessons
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	Y2 Class Liturgy
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> February (9:30am – 11am)	Y6 Visit to Kirk Edge Convent (please see below for details)
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	Y5/6 girls football friendly match against Deepcar St John's
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	School closes for half term holiday (1 week)

**Proud to be Me** *God's Love: 'God's love for us is so great, so deep.' Pope Francis*

*'When we experience God's love, we are more able to share this with our neighbour.'* Pope Francis

*How do you experience God's love? Perhaps through; the love of your family or other people; help from others; the sacraments; spending time with Jesus in prayer, at home, in school or in Church.*

Reception Year 1	Savannah Niamh	For being a kind friend and sharing her ideas with her friends. For her great enthusiasm in her our English lessons and predicting what might happen next.
Year 2	Seb J	For being a more confident learning partner and sharing his ideas in class discussions.
Year 3	Max	Max is showing that he has experienced God by asking his family to take him to church. He will be baptised in the future. He also reads the Bible and adds this to his reading record. Well done.
Year 4	Daisy	Daisy shows God's love to her friends and her niece Isla by guiding, supporting and having fun with them.
Year 5 Year 6	Jude L Lola	For always being kind and willing to share with others. For being enthusiastic about her maths this week & trying to support her partners.

**Spanish:** **Ashley** for showing courage and enthusiasm in her Spanish conversation. **Zhara** for showing super enthusiasm in Spanish speaking. **Joe** for working really hard on practising Spanish animals. **Caoimhe** for great contributions during our class discussion on Spanish- speaking countries.

**P.E:** **Thea** for great listening through the lesson and following instructions. **Erin** for showing good understanding of different dance pictures. Showing good knowledge of why we need to stretch. **Oliver** fantastic listening, showing good understanding and knowledge at the games played. **Edith** showed excellent co-ordination in the sword dance. **Joshua R** worked incredibly well with his peers on choreographing our warm up, showing strong leadership skills. **Fontaine** maximum effort in mastering the counts of 8 sword dance, her enthusiasm was contagious! **Tephi-** lots of inventive ideas when it came to choreographing her team in our warm up!

**Music:** **Harry** for trying really hard this week with his instrument playing. **Seb L** for his great contributions to our Rain forest music lesson. **Daisy** for her super volcano graphic score work. **Jake** for his fantastic singing and his mountain graphic score work.

**House of the Week:** St Teresa with 89 points

**Best Attendance:** no data this week

**Happy Birthday** Marshall

**Top Table:** Hope

**Bronze Awards:** Ashley, Vincent, Kaidan, Aleston, Alex, Bruce, Henry, Iona, Laylah, Esme H, Myah G

## Plugs for Parents...

### **Y5/6 Water Polo 28.01.22: CONGRATULATIONS!**

The class really enjoyed this event and one group triumphantly received a gold medal for first place!! Well done!

**Y3/4 Swimming Lessons:** Year 3/4 start their Tuesday swimming sessions on 1<sup>st</sup> February. A letter with full details and consent form has been sent out via email, please make sure you have completed.

**Y6 Visit to Kirk Edge Convent 04.02.22:** Google form will be sent out today to Y6 children, this must be completed for your child to attend.

**Whole School - Kirk Edge Convent Donations:** We always like to take some gift hampers for the Sisters, who live a frugal lifestyle at Kirk Edge Convent, so if anyone can gift any of the following items, we would be very grateful – Tinned foods, cereals, sugar, flour, toothpaste, soap, washing powder, washing up liquid, tea or coffee and any other everyday items. Please take your donations to the School Office, or send them in with your child. Thank you

**Y5/6 Kingswood Payments:** Just as a reminder, the next Kingswood instalment is due by 28.02.2022. Please note that there are payments due in February, March and April. You can pay any time that is convenient before the deadlines, but we do ask that deadlines are kept in order to spread the cost.

**Platinum pudding competition:** fun activity for the weekend maybe..... please click the link

<https://www.fortnumandmason.com/platinum-pudding>

**National Online Safety:** Replika is an artificial intelligence (AI) chatbot companion that its developers claim users can form an actual emotional connection with. Once users have created an account and chosen a 3D avatar, they select the type of relationship they want with the chatbot: friend, mentor or romantic partner. Using a neural network to hold an ongoing one-on-one conversation, Replika gradually becomes more like the user as it gathers data from their responses. It isn't the only AI chatbot app available, but Replika pushes the boundaries of the concept to offer a highly realistic conversational experience. In the attached guide, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as possible addiction, inappropriate content and in-app purchases

**Wednesday Word:** This has been sent out via email. The link is

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/gods-love?pid=MTA101634&v=50.6>

## Request...

- Does anyone have any spare/unused children's walking boots that they could please donate to school for our Y3/4 children to use on their upcoming Thornbridge residential?  
Please drop any donations into the school office. Thank you

## Note for Rec/KS1 parents

It has become apparent that some children are watch a programme called blippi and this is teaching children to decode words using letter names and not the sounds the letter makes. As a result, the children are finding it difficult to blend the sounds together to read words. Please be aware that although this may be educational, this programme is not very helpful to children's learning when it comes to reading.