

# St. Ann's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023



## Upcoming Events...

Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October (8:30am)	School Re-opens for Autumn 2 Half Term
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Nasal Flu Vaccinations
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November (9:30am)	SAFFA AGM
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	Reception & Y6 Height and Weight Measurement
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> November (10:00am)	Y5/6 Remembrance Liturgical Prayer
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Individual School Photos
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need (Information to Follow)
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November (9:30am)	SAFFA Meeting in School

**Proud to be Me:** *Gratitude: "The heart that knows how to say 'thank you' is a good heart, it is a heart that is content." Pope Francis. "In all created things recognise the care and wisdom of God, and give him thanks." St Teresa of Avila. Saying 'thank you' to God (at any time throughout the day) is a great way for us to show our gratitude. It is good for us to be grateful to God for the blessings of his love, for our lives, our talents, our families, our school and for the love of those around us. How do we show God that we are grateful? Who else will you remember to show gratitude to in these coming weeks? Perhaps a parent or carer, a family member, a teacher or a friend. How will you do this (e.g. with kind words, a thank you note, a prayer, a gift, or by offering help)?*

Reception	Jacob	For his super effort in his maths and reading this week.
Year 1	Arie	Arie has shown confidence and perseverance in independent writing this week, writing many letters and words to form super sentences, even when he found some words a little tricky. Well done Arie!
Year 2	Iona	Iona has worked incredibly hard this week. Iona always has fantastic ideas to share with the class, works with enthusiasm and is a kind and caring member of the class. Iona has really impressed me this week with her independent writing, she has worked with determination and perseverance and produced some lovely work.
Year 3	Vincent	Vincent has really impressed the adults in school this week. He has worked incredibly hard with his spelling and handwriting, and has shown determination and resilience with his movement in our dance lesson.
Year 4	Imogen	Imogen has had a super week in school. As always, she has brightened up the classroom with her bubbly personality and positive attitude. Imogen is a wonderful example to others, she is always kind, helpful and polite.
Year 5	Evelyn	Evelyn has tried really hard with her learning this week. She has had a good attitude and has played really well with her peers at breaktimes. She has also shown brilliant perseverance and confidence in Maths. Well done Evelyn!
Year 6	Charlie	Charlie has had a great week. He has tried his best with all of his learning, and is always willing to share his interesting ideas with the class. He is a brilliant role model of kindness and positivity and he should be very proud!

**P.E:** Coach Jake would like to nominate everyone he has taught this week in Reception and KS1 for making this an impressive half term in PE. Vincent - He was fantastic in PE, showed a lot better listening skills. Myah G - Always gave 100% and showed great hockey skills. Jensen always wants to learn and develop, really impressed in hockey. Zara - Really impressive in hockey. Always willing to get stuck in!

**Spanish Awards:** Olivia tried really hard with her Spanish writing of hola and buenos dias. Declan produced some beautiful Spanish work this week. Jessica listened well in Spanish and gave 100%. Maya J Tried really hard to get the task done in Spanish and did not give up! Well done Maya. Wilfred worked really hard to understand the time in Spanish and then helped another classmate to understand it. Great job Wilf!

**Music:** Rosalie for her super singing and her movement to our elephant music. Avayah tried really hard this week with her singing. Theodora super singing this week. Erin worked hard learning a new part to one of our Young Voices songs. Charlie always works hard in music, this week he performed a great cyclic piece with his partner.

**House Term Totals** St Catherine's 1261 – St Benedict's 1343 – St Gregory's 1304 – St Teresa's 1293

**Attendance:** Year 3/4 with 99.2%

**Happy Birthday** to Zak, Harry, Avayah and Juno

## Plugs for Parents...

**Nasal Flu Vaccinations 31.10.23:** The option to consent or decline the vaccination is at the end of the questionnaire so please complete this [nasal flu vaccine consent/decline form](#) even if you do not want your child to have the vaccination. The deadline for sending your consent/refusal is 29/10/2023 @ 8:30am. For more information about the vaccination please visit the [child vaccinations website](#).

**Reception Class Vision Screening 06.11.23:** The School Vision Screening Team will be visiting to routinely check all of our Reception childrens' vision. For more information please see the attached guidance.

**Reception & Y6 Height and Weight Measurement 06.11.23:** Each year in England, school children in Reception and Year 6 have their height and weight checked at school as part of the National Child Measurement Programme. The checks are carried out by trained practitioners from Sheffield Children's NHS Foundation Trust. For more information about this please visit the [National Child Measurement Programme website](#).

**Remembrance Day Liturgical Prayer 10.11.23:** Family and Friends are invited to join us in the school Hall for this Liturgical Prayer.

**Individual School Photos 13.11.23:** If you would like a photograph taking of your child with any siblings not attending St Ann's, please come to the School Hall between 8:25am and 8:45am. Photos of siblings within St Ann's will be taken during the school day.

**Y5/6 Willersley Castle Residential:** A quick reminder that the sixth instalment is due on 1<sup>st</sup> November. Please visit [ParentPay](#) to make prompt payment.

**Y3/4 Thornbridge Residential:** The second instalment for this Residential will be due on 1<sup>st</sup> November. Please make prompt payment using [ParentPay](#).

**Penny Wars:** Starting today and running until the end of the year, SAFFA have organised for the classes to 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 will be treated to a movie afternoon with popcorn at the end of the year!

**National Online Safety:** Snapchat is a photo- and video-sharing app through which users can chat with friends via text or audio. Images and videos can be shared with specific friends, or as a 'story' (documenting the previous 24 hours) which is visible to a person's entire friend list. Snapchat usage rose significantly during the lockdown periods, with many young people utilising it to stay connected with their peers. The app continues to develop features to engage an even larger audience and emulate current trends, rivalling platforms such as TikTok and Instagram. In the guide, you'll find tips on avoiding potential risks such as sexting, visible location and contact from strangers.

**Christmas card design proofs:** Don't forget to place an order! Proofs were handed out last week so look out for them in your child's bag. There is information on the proof on how you can order cards, mugs, tea towels and more. The deadline for ordering is 11:59pm on Wednesday 25th October. Please note: the name and class that you enter when ordering is the name and class that will be printed on the products.

**Wednesday Word:** Please follow this link to see this week's [Wednesday Word](#)

**Jackson's bread** is doing a promotion where if you buy one of their loaves (it has to be a promotional pack) and scan the QR code you can win an £80 art kit for your nominated school by entering the code that's on the little plastic fastening around the top of the bread bag. Each person can enter 3 times each week with just one purchase. An art kit has already been won for us by one parent – many thanks! And there's no limit to how many £80 vouchers each school can win, so if anyone else has a loaf of Jackson's bread, please consider entering, thanks you.

**Attached or Linked with this Newsletter...**

- National Online Safety – Snapchat
- St Mary's Church and St Ann's Church Bulletin
- Stocksbridge Community Leisure Centre – Half Term Camps
- Inman Half Term Craft Club
- Sheffield CU Passport Activity Newsletter