

St. Ann's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 10th May 2024



Upcoming Events...

Monday 13 th May – Thursday 16 th May	Y6 SATs
Thursday 16 th May	Dinosaur Day Themed Menu
Monday 17 th May (8:50am)	Year 5/6 Celebration of the Word: Pentecost / Serving
Friday 17 th May	Year 6 SATs Treat
Friday 17 th May (9:30am)	Pentecost Parade
Friday 17 th May	Proud to be Me Cancelled due to Pentecost Parade
Sunday 19 th May (5:30pm)	Pentecost Mass at St Ann's Church, Deepcar
Friday 24 th May	Non-Uniform Day – The Good Shepherd Appeal

Proud to be Me: *CARE: "Cast your cares upon God, for you are his and he will not forget you." St John of the Cross. Throughout the world, our Catholic schools and parishes educate and care for millions of children. Jesus cares for us and he wants us to care for others too. Each of you talk about a time when you recently showed your care for someone. Is there anyone who needs your care right now? As a family, choose a way in which you will especially start to show your care for others and for the earth, our common home.*

Reception Year 1	Daniel Isla	For using a super full sentence to tell the class the day of the week! For working hard in our writing activities this week and finding the letters using their sound mats to spell words within her sentence.
Year 2	Ioan	Ioan has worked really hard with her writing this week, she has produced some beautiful handwriting and had lots of fun creating a ludicrous poem!
Year 3 Year 4 Year 5	Kaidan Esme H Francesca	For being a maths wizard and sharing his knowledge of fractions with the class. For sharing her ideas in class and using creative language in her writing to engage the reader. For her excellent piece of independent writing on the Nowhere Emporium. Francesca has impressed me with her effective use sophisticated language devises. Well done!
Year 6	Jensen	For coming up with a brilliant storyline for his independent writing. Jensen has taken real autonomy over his writing recently and edited and improved his story really effectively!

P.E: Daniel was brilliant today with his super running in the relay race helping his team to win! Eden for her impressive relay races, super effort and teamwork. Harry for another great lesson showing great teamwork and perseverance during our relay races. Seb J-Fantastic over arm bowling, really focused on his side ways bowling position. Myah G-Really good in terms of focusing on her straight bowling arm. Frankie -Fantastic today! Best lesson ever! Really good listening and very good star shape in bowling. Charlie H-Really helped everyone with over arm bowling and make a great wicket keeper in the game.

Swimmer of the week: Thomas

Spanish: Tafara showed great skills in Spanish practising the numbers 1-5. All Y1 for super singing in Spanish. Skyla tried really hard with her Spanish work this week joining in with all the actions in the songs. Oliver always tries really hard in Spanish with completing his own work and then helping others.

Music: Gabriel was really enthusiastic in our playground song lesson. Lottie for her super explanation of how the music 'Storm' by Britten made her feel. Imogen for her super ideas she shared with the class on the piece of music we listened to. All year 5/6 for their great auditions.

Happy Birthday Arie and Emily

Attendance: Year 2 with 98.7%

Gold Award goes to Henry H, Zara, Daisy, Erin, Gerard, Laylah, William, Noah, Maya J and Imogen for earning 300 Monster Effort Points – Well done!

Platinum Award goes to Hermione for earning 400 Monster Effort Points – Well done!

House of the Week: St Benedict's with 345 points

Plugs for Parents...

The Holy Rosary: May is the month of The Holy Rosary and during this time children from each class will take it in turns to take home The Holy Rosary.

Mass: Feast of Ascension 09.05.24: Family, friends and our Parish community are welcome to join us in the School Hall to celebrate this Mass.

Y6 SATs Treat 17.05.24: An email has been sent to Y6 parents last week with details of this treat!

Pentecost Parade and Year 5/6 Celebration of the Word: 17.05.24: Family and friends are invited to join us for this Celebration of the Word at 8:50am followed by our annual parade down to Fox Valley at 9:30am. Please note: this information has been altered since last week's newsletter.

Non-Uniform Day - The Good Shepherd Appeal 24.05.24: The Good Shepherd Appeal has a long-standing tradition in the Diocese of Hallam, and is the key fundraising initiative for Caritas Hallam (formerly known as Hallam Caring Services). Caritas Hallam is the social action arm of the Diocese of Hallam.

Although Caritas offers support to the many different social action projects around the Diocese, the Good Shepherd Appeal primarily fundraises for the provision of Counselling Services in Schools. These services are used in schools by schools, to benefit:

- the children of those schools,
- the families of those children, and
- the staff working with the children.

To support this, St Ann's are holding a non-uniform day where children can come dressed in their own clothes and as a forfeit, we ask that a minimum donation of £1 is given to raise funds for this worthy cause. Payment can be made in advance on [ParentPay](#).

SAFFA Fundraising Sky Dive: As you might recall, Mel Taylor's sky dive was postponed until 8th June. With the date fast approaching, we would like to share the [SAFFA Sum Up link](#) with you, which is a quick and easy way that you can support Mel and raise much needed funds for SAFFA.

National Online Safety: Exam stress – sometimes referred to as test anxiety – is of course a long-running issue for children and young people. Many experts have suggested that the enforced break to traditional testing during the pandemic (specifically the relative lack of familiarity with exam situations) has exacerbated this problem for those who are currently in education. The possible impact of exam stress on children's mental, emotional and physical wellbeing is difficult to overstate – and students' need for support is seldom greater than during these periods of their academic life. Our guide offers you ten practical tips for helping young people to manage exam stress and minimise its potentially detrimental effects.

SAFFA Gazebo Loan Request: Planning for St Ann's Summer Gala (22nd June – Save the date!) is well underway. SAFFA are asking if any parents/grandparents would be happy to loan a gazebo. They are in need of a few, so the more the better. Please contact Ashleigh at saffapta@gmail.com if you are able to help.

St Mary's Church Charity Stall: Our Parish Church of St Mary's need some children's books for their charity stall. If you have any good quality children's books to donate, please drop them off at the School Office, thank you.

Music Lessons: Mrs Fitzpatrick is not running any ukulele or trumpet lessons next week. Lessons will resume the following week as normal.

Attached or Linked with this Newsletter...

- National Online Safety – 10 Top Tips for Managing Exam Stress
- St Mary's Church and St Ann's Church Bulletin
- [Wednesday Word](#)
- [Ten:Ten Parent Newsletter](#) – May 2024
- Stocksbridge Community Leisure Centre Indoor Table Top Sale
- Are your children entitled to Free School Meals? – Parent Volunteers Needed (£25 Compensation)
- Stocksbridge Cricket Club Posters
- Monk Bretton Priory - Medieval May-hem
- Dinosaur Day Themed Menu