

St. Ann's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 17th May 2024



Way to go, Y6s! You've made it to the end of SATs week! We know how hard you've been working to prepare. Between all the extra studying in SPAG Squad and Mega Maths plus practice tests, you showed amazing dedication and perseverance. The entire school is super proud of your efforts! After pushing yourselves so hard, you definitely earned some well-deserved downtime this weekend. You should feel incredibly proud of yourselves!

Upcoming Events...

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
Friday 24 th May (3:00pm)	Break up for Spring Bank Half Term Holiday
Monday 3 rd June	INSET Day – School Closed
Tuesday 4 th June	Beginning of Summer 2 Half Term – School Reopens
Monday 10 th June	Class Photos
Saturday 22 nd June	St Ann's School Summer Gala

We will be celebrating these achievements during school hours on Monday 20th May, with birthdays and Monster Effort certificated being celebrated at the Proud to be Me assembly on Friday 24th May.

Proud to be Me: PENTECOST: *"The Holy Spirit helps us to view others with fresh eyes, seeing them as brothers and sisters in Jesus, to be respected and loved." Pope Francis. The Holy Spirit is our helper and helps us to live more like Jesus, to do good things and be filled with the love, truth, happiness and peace which come from God. As a family, discuss and choose special ways in which you can be helpful to each other in this coming week. Perhaps you can: make your bed and keep your room tidy; set the table and help each other with the dishes. Is there anyone who may especially need your help?*

Reception Year 1	Aida Bobi Clay	Aida has really impressed in reading this week, sharing some thoughtful answers and sharing some wonderful vocabulary with Grandma fantastic! After weeks of diligent practice, Bobi's once wobbly and uneven letters had transformed into a beautiful handwriting. Bobi's hard work and perseverance has paid off, Well Done Bobi, Keep up the hard work! Clay has had a really positive attitude to his learning this week. He has shown focus and maturity in and out of the classroom
Year 3 Year 4 Year 5 Year 6	Vincent Melchi Emily All of Y6	Vincent has had a wonderful week and has been really focused on his learning. He has made a great start on his writing and is taking real care in his presentation. Melchi has been growing in confidence this week and has been shining like a star! He has been eager to learn and share his ideas with the class, and on the yard, he has been showing his amazing football skills. For impressing the adults in school this week with her independence skills. Emily particularly stood out whilst making her Pentecost craft with Ms Gill. Well done! For their maturity, resilience and dedication this week. You have all worked so hard, and have managed to do so with smiles on your faces all week! Well done Y6 you have made us very proud!

P.E: Dylan for super listening to improve his jumping skills. Isla for her perseverance and team work during our jumping races. Well done Isla Keep it up! Serah – What a brilliant PE lesson this week. Serah has really got involved in recent weeks which has shown in her much-improved athletic skills. Well Done Serah! Kaidan - Always was showing his listening skills. Juno -Always tries setting good examples to the class. Ffion - Fantastic today! Always gives 100%! Charlie H - Such a great player in every sport! Really concentrates and gets involved as much as possible!

Spanish: Ruby listened beautifully this week joining in with our Spanish singing. Isla really impressed this week in her Spanish lesson. Teegan showed fantastic knowledge of her colours in Spanish this week. Thomas worked really well with his partner on our Hungry Giant board game. Emily produced a beautiful café conversation in Spanish.

Proud to be Me Continued...

Music: Daniel really impressed the class this week with his demonstration of how he could play the bongo drum softly, gradually getting louder. Taylor-May, Dougie and Arie for their great body percussion work on Vivaldi's piece of music 'Winter' from his Four Seasons. All year 2 for their thoughtful choosing of instruments to represent a storm at sea and their amazing performance of their storm soundscape. Naimh, Juno and Thomas for their super body percussion train sounds. Yr 5/6 For their great samba playing on the Pentecost Parade!

Happy Birthday Gabriel and Dylan

Bronze Award goes to Esme Rev for earning 100 Monster Effort Points – Well done!

Plugs for Parents...

Non-Uniform Day - The Good Shepherd Appeal 24.05.24: To support The Good Shepherd Appeal, 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: Within the last few months, Helldivers 2 has propelled to immense popularity in the gaming community, with players of all ages enjoying its frenetic combat, humorous presentation, and challenging gameplay. Whether they're cooperating with friends or competing with strangers, the game has attracted many young players despite its higher age rating. As can be expected from an online game – especially one rated 18+ – there are several inherent online safety risks posed to children and young people who play Helldivers 2; from the content of the game itself to the dangers of interacting with strangers online. Our guide highlights the most prominent hazards of Helldivers 2 and provides you with top tips for keeping its younger players safe.

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 Spring Fayre 18.05.24: Our parish church of St Mary's, Talbot Road, Penistone are holding their Spring Fayre (10:30am – 12pm). Come along for a browse on the bric-a-brac stall; go on the bottle game or sample one of the many homemade cakes!

Piano/Ukulele/Trumpet Lessons: Just a quick reminder that fees are due. Please make prompt payment, thank you.

Missing Uniform: We have had a number of jumpers/cardigans and PE hoodies reported missing. Please check to see if the clothing your child has brought home has someone else's name in it and if so, please return it to School. Please remember to put your child's name in all uniform items so that we can easily reunite clothing with their owners and so that your items are less likely to go missing, thank you.

Attached or Linked with this Newsletter...

- National Online Safety – What Parents and Educators Need to Know about Helldivers 2
- St Mary's Church and St Ann's Church Bulletin
- [Wednesday Word](#)
- [Ten:Ten Parent Newsletter](#) – May 2024
- May half term family activities at Barnsley Museums
- Stocksbridge Community Leisure Centre – Minibus Volunteers
- Stocksbridge Community Leisure Centre – Ultimate Activity Camp
- Stocksbridge Community Leisure Centre – Table Top Sale