

St. Ann's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 15th November 2024



Upcoming Events...

Tuesday 19 th November	Individual School Photos
Friday 29 th November	<i>Proud to be Me</i> Assembly Cancelled
Friday 29 th November (2:00pm)	Mass – Blessing of the Advent Wreath
Friday 6 th December (9:30am)	SAFFA Meeting at School
Friday 6 th December	Whole School Trip to Ice Sheffield Christmas Show
Monday 9 th December	Nativity Dress Rehearsal
Tuesday 10 th December (1:30pm)	Nativity Performance (Tickets will go on sale shortly)
Wednesday 12 th December (6:00pm)	Nativity Performance (Tickets will go on sale shortly)

Proud to be Me will be celebrated in School on Monday: FAITHFULNESS: “God is faithful, and if we serve him faithfully, he will provide for our needs.” St Richard of Chichester. To be faithful is to be true to someone or something. How can we grow in faithfulness to God and to each other? Perhaps we can: set aside a few minutes each day to pray to God and ask him to help us grow in faithfulness; follow the teachings of Jesus; keep our promises – making sure that if we tell someone [or we tell God] that we will do something, we do it!

Reception Year 1 Year 2	Reign Tafara Bobi	This week Reign has made some superb contributions to our phonics lessons and is reading words with confidence. Tafara has used her skills and listen to others to boost her self-confidence in her reading. Mrs Brotherton and Miss Oxley are both incredibly proud of your growth and achievements. Bobi has worked really hard with his handwriting this week and has produced some beautiful work. Well done, Bobi!
Year 3 Year 4 Year 5 Year 6	Henry William Esme H Evelyn	Henry has been on fire this week! He has made some superb contributions during class discussions and has been a wonderful learning partner. William has had a super week! He has made some wonderful contributions in English, and has been focusing on improving his handwriting and presentation skills. Esme had a great day on Thursday. She worked really hard in RE this week and has produced some lovely work. Well done! Evelyn has had a really good week. She has had a great attitude to her learning and has worked really hard in maths. Well done Evelyn!

P.E: Charlotte for her brilliant gymnastic positions we have practiced. Well done Charlotte! Ruby for great remembering and performing all of the gymnastic positions we have covered so far. Isla C for great participation, she listened well to instructions and showed great effort in gymnastics. Keep it up Isla! Laylah's enthusiasm this week to PE was great. She was engaged and excited to start the gymnastics term and gave all the activities a go. Gerard always comes into PE with a positive attitude and gives 100% no matter the activity. The Whole of year 5/6 - I've given this to the whole class as they all really put 110% into this week's lesson. As we have now moved onto the new topic of dance, they really gave it their all and I'm very proud of the way they worked together and got involved as a team, encouraging and helping each other out.

Music: Arabella for her super singing and drum playing this week. Margot for her great singing and instrument playing this week. Lucy for her amazing singing this week. Laylah for super singing and listening appreciation work on Richard Wagner's 'Ride of the Valkyries. Isla C for her excellent singing and her listening appreciation work on Edvard Grieg's 'In the Hall of the Mountain King'.

Spanish: Zachary tried really hard with his pronunciation this week repeating the words brilliantly. Bobi was really enthusiastic during our days of the week clapping song. Erin was able to recall the classroom commands so well this week. I am very impressed! Matilda M tried really hard to work out all the Spanish words during our in the city topic. Well done Matilda.

Happy Birthday Tinashe, Roman, Sofi, Jacob W, Joshua R and Chase

Bronze Awards go to Rosalie, Melchi, Joshua C, Oliver and Isla C for earning 100 *Monster Effort* points – Well done!

House of the Week: St Teresa's with 331 points

Plugs for Parents...

Individual School Photos 19.11.24: 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. Year 3/4 have PE on Tuesdays and would normally come to School in their PE kit. If you would prefer for your child to have their photo taken in their formal uniform with tie, please send them to school wearing this, with their PE kit in a bag so that they can get changed at School.

Mass – Blessing of the Advent Wreath 29.11.24: Family and friends are welcome to join us in the School Hall for this Mass.

Reception/ Y1 & Y2 Qualitas Gymnastics Event: An email has been sent out with details of this event. Please complete the linked consent form on the letter as soon as possible, thank you.

Ice Sheffield *Happily Ever After* Christmas Show 06.12.24: A letter has been emailed out with details of this very exciting whole school trip. Children will experience an unforgettable journey filled with dazzling performances, stunning choreography and heart-warming moments! A huge thank you to SAFFA for funding the cost of the coaches – we couldn't have done it without this! Please could all parents/carers complete the consent form on the letter and pay for the entrance costs on [ParentPay](#) before Wednesday 27th November – thank you.

Sponsored Walk: Well done everyone! Your efforts to gather sponsors and take on the Sponsored walk has meant that collectively, St Ann's School has raised £1379.85. Thank you to everyone who supported this fundraising.

Kirk Edge Convent: We are very sad to say that the Sisters at Kirk Edge Convent are moving on to other Convents across the country, as Kirk Edge is soon to close. This will mean that our Year 6 class will sadly not be able to make their annual visit at Christmas time. We would like to thank the Sisters for their hospitality over the years and for their openness to answer all the questions that the children have had throughout this time. We wish them all well and ask God to bless their lives in their new convents.

National Online Safety: Cycling can be a fun and healthy way to pass the time for children and young people – encouraging them to go outside and stay active, while also spending quality time with parents, carers or other trusted adults. It's also a useful skill for adult life: teaching youngsters how to use a cheaper, healthier and more eco-friendly method of transportation where possible. However, the risk of injuries that cycling carries can quickly put young people off the hobby. If a child is being introduced to cycling as an activity, it's essential that they're also taught how to stay safe while out and about. This free guide offers you expert advice on how to practise safe cycling and preserve the wellbeing of children when going out for a ride.

Head Lice are in School! We have reported cases of head lice in School and a lot of children scratching their heads! Please regularly check your child's hair and treat where necessary, as it does stop the spread of head lice in our classrooms. Free treatment is available from most pharmacies under the minor ailments scheme.

Missing Uniform: Please could parents/carers check the uniform items their child has brought home from school. Missing items are not uncommon and a lot of the time garments have names in and can be returned to their owners.

Christmas Card (and other items) Proof: A proof will be sent home today of your child's design. There are instructions on the proof as to how you can purchase cards, bags, mugs etc. Please note, the closing date for purchasing items is 26th November (only 10 days away) so get your orders in ASAP!

Nasal Flu Vaccinations: If your child has outstanding vaccinations, you can attend a drop-in clinic: For more dates and info, please follow the link and visit [our website](#): No appointment is necessary.

Y3/4 Thornbridge Residential: The second instalment was due today, Friday 15th November. Please make prompt payment if you haven't already – thank you.

Picture News...

TAKEHOME

11th - 17th
November



In the news this week

This year, Anti-Bullying Week takes place on 11th-15th November with the theme, 'Choose Respect'. As part of the week, Odd Socks Day is on Tuesday 12th November, with odd socks being worn to celebrate what makes us all unique. There are many other ways schools are raising awareness and taking action to tackle bullying, including several pupils working towards becoming Anti-Bullying Ambassadors.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > What do you know about Anti-Bullying Week?
- > This year's theme is 'Choose Respect', what is your definition of respect? Ask others at home.
- > This week's story explores the role of Anti-Bullying Ambassadors. Do you think this a good way of tackling bullying? Can you think of any other strategies?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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Attached with this Newsletter...

- National Online Safety – Choose Respect
- [Ten:Ten Parent Newsletter - November](#)
- [Wednesday Word](#)
- St Ann's Church & St Mary's Church Bulletins
- St Ann's [Grown Out of It](#) page (Please use to sell and buy pre-loved uniform)
- School Photo Reminder
- Fox Valley Christmas Lights Switch On
- Stocksbridge Community Leisure Centre – Christmas Fayre