

St. Ann's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 24th January 2025



Upcoming Events...

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| Monday 27 th January (3:00pm) | Y3/4 Thornbridge Parent Information Meeting |
| Tuesday 28 th January – Friday 31 st January | Y5/6 Bikeability Training |
| Wednesday 29 th January (8:50am) | Reception/Year 1 Celebration of the Word |
| Tuesday 11 th February | Safer Internet Day |
| Wednesday 12 th February | Big Schools' Birdwatch Day |
| Friday 14 th February | INSET Day – School Closed |
| Monday 24 th February (8:30am) | School Re-opens – Spring 2 Half Term Begins |
| Tuesday 25 th February | Y3/4 First Swimming Lesson (Information to follow) |

Proud to be Me... *GOOD NEWS: "The Good News always remains the same: Jesus has risen!" Pope Benedict XVI Jesus is alive – he is with us and he wants us to share this Good News with others through our everyday words and actions. How can we be 'Good News' to people in this coming week? Perhaps we can: be welcoming – offering friendship and hospitality to any new people in our community; help to relieve poverty and injustice, at home and abroad; say a special bedtime prayer tonight for all those who regularly share the Good News with others.*

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| Reception | Arabella | Arabella has worked so hard in school this week. She has been eager to take on new challenges and share her thinking with the class. Well done, Arabella. |
| Year 1 | Eleni | Eleni has been on fire this week! She has been eager to share her knowledge and understanding across all our learning and ask meaningful questions to clarify her understanding. |
| Year 2 | Taylor-May | Taylor-May has had a great week, she has contributed brilliantly to class discussions and has really impressed us with her phonics this week, well done! |
| Year 3 | Madison | Madison has produced some wonderful writing this week. Her dedication and enthusiasm has wowed the adults in the class. |
| Year 4 | Laylah | Laylah has worked incredibly hard this week and has tackled her learning with a mature and sensible attitude. |
| Year 5 | Oliver | Oliver has produced some great work this week. He has shown resilience in his learning in maths and has responded well to feedback. |
| Year 6 | Sofi | Sofi has had a great week. She has produced some brilliant work in maths and has shown a real confidence with long and short division! Well done. |

P.E: Sara for being ready to learn and has showing Coach Jake some super Throwing skills! Marcus – For a brilliant lesson this week so good that he was confident enough to demonstrate the correct throwing technique to the class. Well done Marcus! Isla H – for showing great teamwork and improved throwing and catching skills. What a Superstar! Josh C, Nancy, Juno, Henry R: all given a medal and water bottle for their hard work, great behaviour and participation in the taekwondo session.

Spanish: Chase was amazing this week recalling his numbers in Spanish. Keep up the great work Chase! Tinashe is so enthusiastic in Spanish every week and loves joining in. Henry R tried really hard this week practising saying the new words in Spanish for the parts of the face. Maya J always tries hard in Spanish and loves to share what she remembers with the rest of the class. She enjoys trying to speak Spanish.

Music: Reign for his excellent pulse work this week on the drums and maracas'. Eleni for her super singing and actions this week. Eden for her enthusiasm in our lesson looking at the deaf percussionist Evelyn Glennie, Eden even tried to copy some of her techniques in her own xylophone playing. Gerard and Kaidan for their great body percussion performance. Ffion is always enthusiastic and tries hard, this week she helped others with the learning of our class rap.

Best Attendance: Reception Class with 99.2%

House of the Week: St Catherine's with 262 points

Happy Birthday to Clay, Leo and Marcus

Bronze Award goes to Annabella, Charlotte, Ruby, Tafara, Zach, Marcus, Margot, Isabel and Jacob for earning 100 *Monster Effort Points* – Well done!

Plugs for Parents...

Y3/4 Thornbridge Parent Information Meeting 27.01.25: Parents and Carers are invited to attend this meeting which will offer further information about the Thornbridge Residential and be an opportunity for parents/carers to ask questions. If you are unable to attend the meeting, don't worry, as we will email out the guidance pack afterwards and the children will all go through it in class together.

Y5/6 Bikeability Training w/c 27.01.25: Information has been emailed out this week.

Reception/Year 1 Celebration of the Word 29.01.25: Family and friends are welcome to join us in the School Hall for this Celebration of the Word.

National Online Safety: Over time, more and more fitness apps have been finding their way into circulation. Usually free to download – at least initially – these apps claim to offer helpful advice and assistance in routine management to those looking to lead a healthier lifestyle. While these platforms can be useful, they do present several safety concerns. These issues become more significant when we consider that children and young people can use these apps to stay active – whether out of concern for their own health or for reasons of body image. Our free guide breaks down the risks of health and fitness apps and offers expert advice on how to address these concerns to safeguard younger users.

Y3/4 Thornbridge Residential: The final instalment was due on 17th January. If you haven't done so already, please make prompt payment on [ParentPay](#), thank you.

First Holy Communion: Are you interested in having your child receive their First Holy Communion? If so, and your child is of the appropriate age (generally between 7 and 9 years old, but this is not exclusive), please contact School to express your interest.

Uniform Policy Reminder: Please could we remind all parents and carers to ensure that their children do not come to school wearing makeup or false nails. Thank you for your continued support.

Year 2 – Lunar New Year (31.01.25): Please could Year 2 come dressed in something red on Friday 31st January for Lunar New Year learning in class.

School Meals: It would help the kitchen enormously with planning if it would be possible for parents to order school meals at home on the [School Grid](#) website in advance. The difficulties faced is that St Ann's kitchen also cooks for St Mary's in High Green. Most of St Mary's parents pre-order online, and when there is a limited amount of a choice, this doesn't leave many portions available to St Ann's children. If the kitchen could better predict demand, they could supply more of what might be popular. Please make sure that your children are part of the choice process so that they receive what they would like. Meals can still be ordered in the classroom, but your help with pre-ordering would be much appreciated.

Other Items...

Complimentary Ticket Offer to a Sheffield Hatters Game in February!

Date: Sat 1st February - Time: 7PM - Matchup: Sheffield Hatters v Cardiff Met Archers: [CLICK HERE FOR TICKETS](#)

Date: Sun 23rd February - Time: 7PM - Matchup: Sheffield Hatters v Newcastle Eagles (SLB Cup Semi Final): [CLICK HERE FOR TICKETS](#)

Venue: Canon Medical Arena (Worksop Rd, Sheffield S9 3TL)

How to Claim: Click game links above or visit: <https://app.fanbaseclub.com/club/sheffield-hatters>

Enter the promo code FEBHAT at checkout.

Attached with this Newsletter...

- National Online Safety – What Parents & Educators Need to Know about Health & Fitness Apps
- [Ten:Ten Parent Newsletter - January](#)
- [Wednesday Word](#)
- St Ann's [Grown Out of It](#) page (Please use to sell and buy pre-loved St Ann's uniform)
- St Ann's Church and St Mary's Church Newsletter

Picture News...

This is the question that we will be deliberating next week...



In the news this week

New data has shown that 2024 was the Earth's hottest year on record, warming by 1.5°C. Around 200 countries had agreed to help keep the temperature rise below this figure because scientists say that increases could cause more extreme weather. This includes events such as heatwaves, storms, and wildfires.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Share what you know about climate change with others at home, and ask others to share their understanding.
- Do you think more could and should be done to tackle climate change? If so, what and by whom?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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