Newsletter

St Anne's Catholic Academy

With grace and humility, glorify the Lord by your

St Anne's Church—Masses:

Saturday 5pm & Sunday 10:30am

There are daily masses at 9.30am

https://www.saint-anne-nuneaton.co.uk/index.html

Friday 10th November, 2023

Our Catholic Mission

This Sunday is the first Sunday in Advent. Next week will begin our Advent journey. You are invited to join us for one of our 'Prayer & Liturgy' sessions at a 'Stay and Pray' session on Tuesday morning. You will be welcomed into your child's class at 9am. Please wait outside your child's class as you would at collecting at the end of the day.

The children will also be bringing home the 'Walk with Me' advent calendars to help them prepare for the special celebration of Christmas!

Social Action

On Monday we are launching the annual Holy Spirit MAC Reverse Advent Calendar! This year we will be supporting St. Chad's Sanctuary which provides essential support for asylum seekers. We would be very grateful if this Advent each child could donate just one of the following items:

Toothpaste
Toothbrush
Shower gel
Shampoo
Conditioner
Sanitary products
Deodorant
With thanks for your continued support!

MAC Foodbank – Christmas Final Reminder

If you are struggling financially, we would like to help by delivering a Christmas shop to you on Friday 22nd December. From all the ingredients needed for a family Christmas dinner to party food and other Christmas trimmings - we will ensure you don't have to worry about the cost of a large food shop this Christmas.

All you need to do is text 'CHRISTMAS' to 07741 280959 no later than 12pm on 1st December 2023 followed by the following information:

My child's name:
My child's school:
Number of people in my family:
Please text the number even if you receive food from the MAC Foodbank regularly.

This week...

Christmas is coming...

Tuesday 5th December 9am & Wednesday 20th December 3pm

You are invited to our class 'Stay and Pray' sessions in Advent. This is an opportunity where you can join your child with their class for a collective worship session.

TRIPS

Tuesday 12th December

Year 1 & 2 Christmas Trip – Snowdome Trip

Please specify on ParentMail whether you will provide your child with a packed lunch or would like the school to provide one for them. Children should arrive at school in their school uniform but should bring warm clothes such as jumper, tracksuit bottoms, scarves, hats and wellies to change into. It is important your child does not arrive at school in these as they are to change into afterwards if they get wet.

Thursday 14th December

KS2: Christmas Trip – 'Lion, The Witch & The Wardrobe'

Please ensure the children bring a full water bottle with them to the performance. We will provide a snack for the interval and they will have their packed lunch after the performance. We are all looking forward to enjoying this special experience!
Please note all the children will need to be in at 8:30 am that day.

Friday 15th December

Reception Christmas Trip – Santa's Sparkly Surprise

Children will leave school at 9:15am prompt and will return in time for dinner,

Tuesday 19th December

Reindeer Experience – In School

As part of their behaviour reward all children in school will have opportunity to feed real reindeers … Ssh – this will be a lovely sur-

Wednesday 13th December Christmas Dinner

On Wednesday 13th December we will be providing a traditional / vegetarian Christmas meal. Children can wear 'Christmas' clothes and they will be making Christmas hats to wear. Please note, if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, you do not need to pay for your child's Christmas dinner, however this needs to be ordered on Parentmail.
Please can we ask you to pre order your child's Christmas dinner by Friday 1st December.

Christmas Plays

For us to abide by health & safety requirements and ensure all families have a fair opportunity to attend Christmas performances/ plays this year we are using a ticket system. These tickets will be **free and will be available** for each family. The ticket allocation is 2 tickets per family.

Nursery

Christmas Workshop

You are invited to sign up in Nursery to attend our Christmas Family Workshop. The workshop is free and led by the very wonderfully creative Miss Bishop & Mrs Palfreman. There will be refreshments and of course things for you to take home. Please see the sheets – and sign up for session with your child.

EYFS - "Nativity"

Wednesday 13th December 9:15 & 2:30

2 Tickets per child for each performance. Tickets will be sent home Monday 4th December.

Year 1 & Year 2 - "Baarmy Bethlehem"

Thursday 14th December 9:15 & 2:30

2 Tickets per child for each performance. Tickets being sent home Monday 4th December

Reception & KS1

Monday 4th December children in Reception, Year 1 & 2 will be bringing home their tickets for their Christmas plays. Please ensure you bring the ticket with you for the allocated performance time on the day. If you do not require all of your allocated tickets, you can return these to the school office where we will distribute these on a first come first served basis. If you would like to be added to the waiting list for additional tickets, please email admin2035@welearn365.com

KS2 Carol Concert

Tuesday 12th December 9..00am & 2pm

2 tickets per family across the two performances. Tickets to be sent home Monday 4th December

Please ensure you bring the ticket with you for the allocated performance time on the day.

St Thomas More Catholic Academy would like to invite you to their Christmas Carol service on **Tuesday 12th December, 6pm at Our Lady of the Angels Church.**

All families are invited to come along, enjoy some carol singing and a mince pie.
We look forward to seeing you there to get you into the Christmas spirit and to spread some festive cheer.

Last Day of term.

School will close at 12:00 pm as all staff will be helping with the MAC Christmas foodbank.

There will no school lunches on that day. After school club will not be running.

Other Information

Pricipals Award

Sofia Farmer

House Points

St Cecilia: 672
St Theresa: 654
St John-Paul: 732

Maths & English Awards

Year One: Mia Kalina
Year Two: Layla Peter
Year Three: Mia Isla
Year Four: Reanne Sara
Year Five: Stephen Phoebe
Year Six: Tia Kya

Star Awards

Nursery: Arnie & Keziah

Reception: Nancy & Ethan

Year One: Martha & Anna

Year Two: Marley & Georgie

Year Three: Ben & Joseph

Year Four: Isobella & Adam

Year Five: Charlie & Ava-Rose T

Year Six: Maya & Julian

Attendance

The importance of good attendance for future life opportunities cannot be over-estimated. There is a clear and undeniable link between regular school attendance and attainment. It is also important to recognise what "good" attendance actually is: attendance of 90% might sound good but, in reality, this equates to one day off every two weeks. By supporting us in encouraging your child to aim for attendance of 95% and above you are not only providing them with the best opportunities to gain educational success, you are also helping to prepare them for the high expectations of the work place. Please avoid taking your child out of school during term time as this will not be authorised.

Before the end of term all parents of children with attendance below 90% will receive a letter sharing their child's attendance for this half term. Those children below 85% will be asked to speak with school.

His Majesty's Inspectors are monitoring our attendance figures from the beginning of the school year. Our Target is 97% overall and our current figure is 95.3%.We all have to work together to keep improving attendance and punctuality in school. Last weeks percentages are listed below.

Nursery: 89.7% Reception: 94.6% Year One: 96.2% Year Two: 95.5%

Year Three: 97.4% Year Four: 94.2% Year Five: 95.1% Year Six: 93.9%

Winners:Year Three

N.B: If your child is going to be absent from school or late to arrive you must contact the school office as soon as possible. Tel:- 02476 392877 If you are unable to call please email Admin2035@welearn365.com

Other Information

Parents Evening

Please see at the end of this newsletter the outcomes from the questionnaire many of you completed at parents evening. Thank you for so many wonderful comments about our school! We loved reading each one and these have been shared with all staff.

Anyone who did disagree with any of the questions and would like the opportunity to further discuss, I would encourage you to meet so can discuss further. We have an open door policy and always willing to listen to concerns or

Girls Football

On Tuesday 5th December, we are fortunate to have a free girls football session after school (3.30pm-4.30pm), run by She Kicks Football Academy, for all girls in Years 3 - 6. The session will hopefully take place on the field (weather permitting) and the girls do not need any previous experience of playing. If your child is interested please let the school office know they would like to attend the session by Friday 1st December, either by phone, email or person so they can be placed on our register. On Tuesday 5th, please ensure your child brings with them warm sports clothing as well as trainers you do not mind getting a little muddy, due to playing on the field.

Reminders:

New Dates

Please check dates below as new/changes updated in red.

Primary School Applications - Year 6

The portal for places for children due to start school in September 2024 opened on November 1st and families of can apply for their Reception school place is 5pm on 15th January 2024. Families can make applications online:

https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/homepage/421/applying-for-a-primary-school-place

If you have any issues with the online application system or require assistance with the application, please contact: 01926 41414

Please bring any unwanted Christmas Jumpers into school, where we can recycle & reuse.

Contact Details

Principal: Miss Gillin & Mrs Chapman

Address : Camp Hill Drive, Nuneaton, Warwickshire. CV10 0JX

Telephone : 024 76392877

E-mail : admin2035@welearn365.com

Website:www.stannesnuneaton.co.uk

PE Days

Year One - Tuesday & Thursday

Year Two - Monday & Thursday

Year Three - Monday & Wednesday

Year Four - Monday PE & Thursday Swimming

Year Five - Wednesday & Friday

Year Six - Tuesday & Friday

Dates 2023-24

Wk. 5	
Mon 4 Dec	
Tues 5 Dec	Stay & Pray – 9:00 Girls Football Y3 – Y6 3:30 – 4:30
Wed 6 Dec	Whole School Retreat – 1:00
Thurs 7 Dec	Stay & Play – Annie's place 8:45 – 10:00
Fri 8 Dec	
Wk. 6	
Mon 11 Dec	
Tues 12 Dec	KS2 Christmas Carols –9:am and 2:00pm Year 1 & 2 – Snowdome trip Reception and Year 6 – Height & Weight
Wed 13 Dec	EYFS – Nativity Performance – 9:15 & 2:30 Confession – Holy Communion & Confirmation Children – 10:30
Thurs 14 Dec	KS2 – Theatre Trip KS1 - Performance Y1 & Y2 – 9:15 and 2:30 Nursery parent crafts – 9 – 11:15
Fri 15 Dec	Reception – Belgrade Trip Nursery parent crafts – 1:15 – 3:15
Wk. 7	
Mon 18 Dec	
Tues 19 Dec	Special Visitors
Wed 20 Dec	Whole School Mass Stay & Pray – 3:00
Thurs 21 Dec	Party Day
Fri 22 Dec	School closes at lunchtime
Break-up for Christmas	

Dates 2023-24

Future Dates:	
Mon 8th January	Inset training Day
Monday 15th January 2024	Reception place application deadline Reception - Bikeability
1st February 2023	Chinese Dragon Dance – EFYS and Key Stage 1
Monday 4th March – Thursday 7th March	Whitemoor Lakes – Year 5
21st March 2024	St Cassians – Year 4
16th April 2024	National school place offer day
9th May 2024	Holy Communion Retreat – Year 3
13th May 2024	SATs Week
3rd June – 6th June	Cornwall – Year 6
Thursday 20th June 2023	Confirmation Retreat
Saturday 22nd June 2024	First Holy Communion - 1pm
30.06.24 /07.07.24 /14.07.24	Confirmation - TBC
08.07.24 – 11.07.24	Bikeability – Bikes and helmets needed – Year 5 and Year 6

Outcomes of Parent Questionnaire

October 2023

97 returns

		Strongly agree/ Agree	Disagree/ Strongly disagree
	My child is happy at this school	100%	
	My child feels safe at this school	100%	
	My child is well looked after at this school	100%	
	My child is taught well at this school	100%	
	My child is making good progress	100%	
	My child receives appropriate home learning for their age	98%	2%
	This school provides a good range of after-school activities and opportunities outside of the curriculum	97%	3%
	This school makes sure its pupils are well behaved	100%	
	This school deals effectively with bullying	100%	
	I feel welcomed by the school (COVID restrictions permitted)	100%	
	This school communicates well with families	98%	2%
0	This school responds well to concerns I raise	99%	1%
	I receive valuable information from this school about my child's progress	99%	1%
	This school is well led and managed	100%	
	Would you recommend St Anne's to another family?	100%	

If someone asked me about St Anne's then I would tell them…….

- To enrol there
- It's the perfect school for kids
- It's an amazing school where knowledge and God is instilled into the pupils
- It's a good school and standards are very good.
- This is a very good school. The staff are so supportive and take good care of my children x2
- Fantastic school x2
- The school has improved so much over the last couple of years. Staff care about the children and help support them both in and out of school. Teachers in year 5 make an amazing team and I know my child can reach his full potential with them.
- The school has a friendly and welcoming atmosphere
- It's amazing.
- It's a great school.
- Great school staff are friendly and helpful.

- This is a good school. All staff are friendly and approachable.
- It is a friendly school. I will tell them about teaching them about faith and doing excellently for the students.
- That is a great school!
- Great school. Really accommodating friendly staff
- In this school teachers pay enough attention to children
- Highly recommend. Teachers have been very supportive in all year groups.
- This school is fantastic and I am so happy my child is happy and feels loved.