Newsletter

St Anne's Catholic Academy

With grace and humility, glorify the Lord by your life

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 2nd February 2024

Our Catholic Mission

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord.

The presentation of the Lord is celebrated forty days after Christmas, marking the day that Mary and Joseph would have bought Jesus into the Temple.

"Candlemas is also a traditional name given to today's feast because as early as the fifth century, the custom of celebrating this feast was with lighted candles had developed. The lit candles symbolised Simeon's prophecy that Jesus would be "a light for revelation to the Geniles.

Social Action

Thank you for all the donations of coins for Number Day. The children look fantastic in their numbers.

The winning class is.....Year 6

For our Foodbank appeal we have raised..... **£511.23**

This week...

Chinese New Year

Chinese Dragon Dance Workshop

To celebrate Chinese New Year, this week Nursery, Reception and Key stage 1 took part in a Chinese Dragon Dance workshop. We listened to Chinese music, learnt a full dance routine following the dragon and some of us were even chosen to wear Chinese clothes to dance in. With 2024 being the year of the Dragon, it was a great opportunity for the children to explore a different culture and work together to create an exciting performance - well done everybody!

In Key stage 2, the children each cooked a Chinese dish within their classes. They peeled, chopped and cooked dishes for us all to share! The children had a fantastic time. Well done everyone.

Annie's Adventures

The newly named 'Annie's Adventurer's had fun making ice ornaments with Miss Pateman. They collected natural items that they found around the school field. They filled their containers from rain water collected from the water butt. Their creations will be ready to hang on the trees around the school next week. They should last a while in this temperature!

Netball

This week, we had the final week of the Year 6 Netball League. All players played brilliantly and demonstrated great sportsmanship and had a positive attitude. It has been great to see how much the children have progressed since their very first game. Well done!

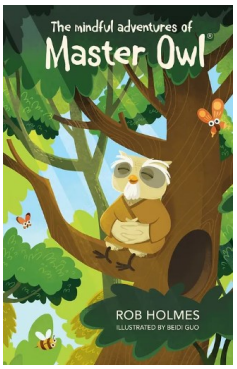
Next week…

Hopes and Dreams

Hopes & Dreams – Friday 9th February – 9 -10.30am

On Friday 9th February, we will be holding a Hopes and Dreams morning. You will be able to join your child in their class and share their books so you can celebrate their learning and progress. There will be a short activity for you to complete with your child about your shared hopes and dreams for the future. If you have more than one child you will have time to visit them in their own classroom across the morning. Reception parents will go straight to the Reception unit where the staff will welcome you, and you can stay with your child. We hope you can make it. This event will finish ready for playtime at 10.30am.

Mental Health Week



Monday 5th February marks the start of Children's Mental Health Week and the theme this year is 'my voice matters'. At St Anne's we will be exploring this topic with all of our children and giving them the knowledge and skills to talk to each other about how we are feeling and what we can do to help ourselves to feel more positive. We will also be learning about mindfulness through storytelling and will finish off the week with 'Express Yourself Day' on Friday 9th February where the children can come into school wearing an outfit that they feel expresses them. This could be their favourite colour, costume, outfit. If you have any questions please speak to your child's class teacher or Miss Neal who will be happy to help.

Cross Country

On Wednesday 7th February, all children in school (Reception - Year 6) will take part in the Inta-House Cross Country Competition, to earn points for their house. All children will need to come to school wearing their PE kit, along with a spare pair of shoes to change into just in case their trainers get muddy whilst running on the school field. We look forward to sharing the results with you and can't wait to see the talent we have at St. Anne's.

Year 6 Sat's

On Wednesday 7th February the Sat's information will be sent virtually to all year 6 parents. We hope this will provide you with information around SATs testing this year. Any further questions following this, you can either email the child's class teacher or contact the office admin to speak to myself or Miss Neal.

Bikeability

FREE Bikeability Level 2 training over the February half term. See attachment for more information.

Dates List

Please find the dates for this term below. There are lots opportunities for you to get involved so please put any relevant dates in your diary! New dates will be added in red and anything highlighted yellow is where parents can attend.

Attendance

Recently the government launched a new national campaign called 'Moments Matter, Attendance Counts', this is to remind parents of the importance of school attendance. At St. Anne's, we regularly remind you of the importance of good punctuality and attendance and the negative impact poor attendance has on your child's educational attainment and social and emotional development.

The link between attendance and attainment is clear:

- **In 2018/19, just 40% of persistently absent (PA) children in KS2 achieved expected KS2 standards, compared with 84% of pupils who were regular attenders.**

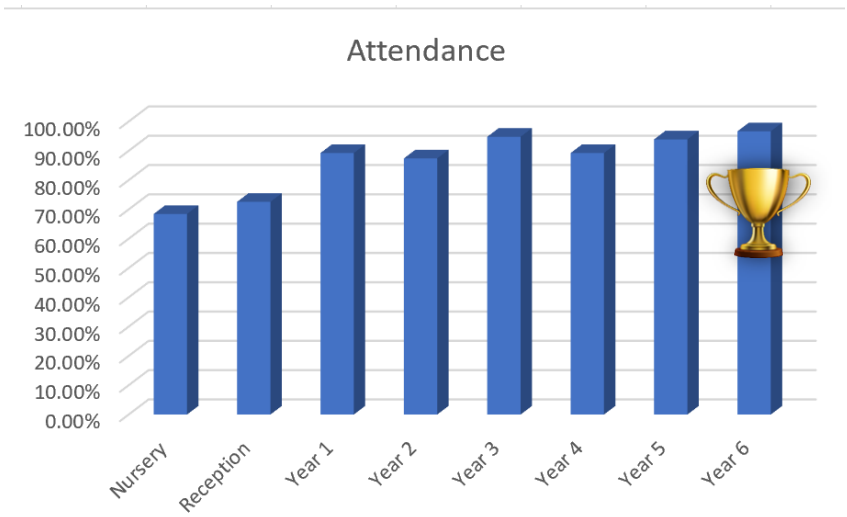
But attendance is important for more than just attainment:

- **Regular school attendance can facilitate positive peer relationships, which is a protective factor for mental health and wellbeing**.

If you are unsure if your chid is too ill to attend school, please check the NHS guidelines by following the below link:

https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/

Should you require any support with your child's attendance, please contact the school office or email admin2035@welearn365.com



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