St. Anne's Catholic Academy

NEWSLETTER

15 May 2026

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A message from Miss Gillin...

This week has been a wonderful and memorable week in school. I would like to begin by thanking all of our pupils for the calm, respectful, and considerate manner in which they have conducted themselves around the school. Their excellent behaviour created the perfect environment for our Year 6 pupils as they completed their SATs tests this week.

A huge congratulations to Year 6! We are incredibly proud of the determination, resilience, and positive attitude you have shown throughout the week. You approached each day with maturity and gave your very best effort, which is all anyone could ever ask.

I would also like to extend a sincere thank you to all of our staff, who worked tirelessly throughout the week to support and encourage the children. From preparing breakfast each morning to offering reassurance, guidance, and care, their dedication helped make the week a positive and successful experience for our pupils.

To celebrate the end of SATs week, Year 6 enjoyed delicious bacon batches for breakfast, and we are looking forward to continuing the celebrations with a special pizza lunch on Tuesday – both very well-deserved treats after all their hard work!

Well done once again, Year 6. We are all extremely proud of you.

We are looking forward to welcoming parents and carers to our Family Picnic on Friday- and the weather forecast is looking sun-sational!

The school gates will open at 12pm for you to enjoy lunch with your children.

At 1pm, our Enterprise Afternoon will begin, where the children will become mini business owners for the afternoon, running their own stalls and developing important skills through making and selling products or services.

There will also be a BBQ sizzling away and an ice cream van serving sweet treats!

LIVING THE MISSION

On Thursday, we came together as a school community to celebrate the Feast of the Ascension, a Holy Day of Obligation. The Mass was beautifully led by Year 4, who showed great reverence and confidence throughout the celebration. Through prayer, singing, and reflection, pupils were reminded of Jesus' Ascension into Heaven and His call for us to live out our faith each day. We thank Year 4 for leading us so thoughtfully and helping us to grow together in faith.

KEY DATES

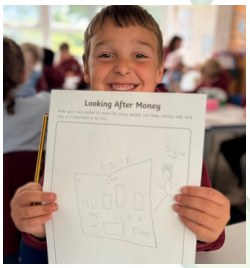
Tuesday 19 May - Year 6 Pizza treat

Wednesday 20 May - Year 6 Cornwall Meeting - 5.30pm

Friday 22 May - Enterprise Day & Celebration picnic - 12pm

Money Management...

Today, pupils across the school took part in engaging and informative money management lessons. The sessions helped children to develop important life skills, including budgeting, saving, spending wisely, and understanding the value of money.



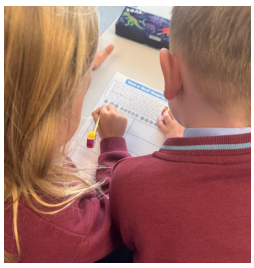
Year 1

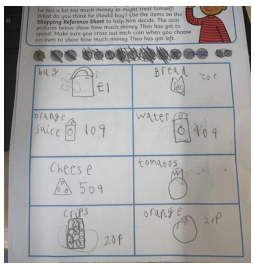
We had lots of discussions about how to keep our money and personal information safe. We talked about the kinds of information that should be kept private and why it is important not to share certain details with others. The children then created colourful posters showing different ways to keep money secure, such as using a piggy bank, saving money in a bank, or giving it to a trusted adult for safekeeping.

Year 4

The children worked together to plan their own fundraising ideas and thought carefully about how to make them successful.

They considered important aspects such as budgeting, pricing and potential profit, while discussing how to raise as much money as possible for a good cause. The children showed excellent teamwork and creativity, sharing lots of thoughtful ideas and developing a good understanding of how money can be used to help others.





Year 2

The children focused on learning about needs and wants. We had lots of discussions about the difference between the things we need, such as food, water and clothing, and the things we might want, like toys and treats. The children enjoyed sorting different items and thinking carefully about whether they were a need or a want. We also talked about making sensible choices with money and why it is important to think carefully before spending. The children shared some fantastic ideas and showed a good understanding of the topic.

Year 5

The children had thoughtful discussions about the different ways people may feel about money, including happiness, excitement, worry and stress.

We explored how spending, saving and sharing money can impact both ourselves and others. The children considered different real-life scenarios and discussed how making sensible financial choices can help people feel more secure and confident. They showed great maturity and empathy throughout the lesson and shared some very thoughtful ideas.

Attendance Matters

We are currently seeing an increase in families not following our attendance procedures, so we wanted to take a moment to remind everyone how important this is. Parents and carers play a vital role in ensuring children attend school regularly and that the correct processes are followed.

As a referring school, we are required to follow statutory government guidance and apply our policy consistently and fairly to all families.

If your child is unwell, please make sure you inform the school before 9:00am each day via the office, absence line, or Arbor app. If we are not notified correctly, the absence may be recorded as unauthorised.

Requests for leave must always be made in advance and can only be approved in exceptional circumstances. Holidays, visiting family abroad, good attendance, or SEND are not considered exceptional reasons. Unauthorised absence may result in a referral to the Local Authority and a Penalty Notice.

We know this can feel strict, but we have a duty to follow these guidelines and apply them fairly to everyone. If you are unsure, please contact the school office before any absence- we are always happy to help.

SAFEGUARDING

HOW STUDENTS, PARENTS/CARERS CAN REPORT A SAFEGUARDING ISSUE, EITHER IN SCHOOL OR OUT OF HOURS:

Text the mobile number: **07767 269958** or email: **reportanissuestannes@welearn365.com**

Nuneaton Children's Team:
01926 414910

NSPCC Helpline:
help@nspcc.org.uk
Tel: 0808 800 5000

Samaritans:
Jo@samaritans.org
Tel: 116 123

Childline:
0800 1111

Police:
Emergency - 999
Non-emergency 101