St. Anne's Catholic Academy

NEWSLETTER

11 September 2026

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A message from Miss Gillin...

It's been our first full week back and I have been incredibly impressed with how quickly the children have settled back into school life. Their enthusiasm, kindness and readiness to learn have made it such a brilliant start to the new school year.

This week, we celebrated our first Whole School Mass for Years 1–6, led beautifully by our fantastic Year 6 pupils. It was a truly special and reflective service, with prayers for our teachers, families and wider community. The children proclaimed the readings with such confidence, and our Year 6 pupils are already showing what wonderful role models they are. Their behaviour throughout the Mass was exemplary and the singing was simply beautiful.

Today, you will receive your child's class targets and Curriculum Learning Journey for the term via email. We hope these will give you a clear overview of what your child will be learning and the exciting things we have planned for the term ahead. There is also lots more information available on our school website if you would like to find out more.

There are already little signs that Autumn has arrived, with cooler mornings, leaves beginning to change colour and that unmistakable feeling that the seasons are changing. We are looking forward to all that this beautiful new season brings!

Annie's Agents

We are so excited to announce that applications are now open for our 'Annie's Agents'! This year, our pupil leadership opportunities include our School Council, Learning Council, Worship Council and Eco Council. These roles give our children a fantastic opportunity to have their voices heard, help shape school life and contribute to decisions made across our school.

Being a leader is about so much more than having a title. It is about being responsible, listening to others, showing kindness, working as part of a team and having the confidence to share ideas. Whether your child decides to apply for a role or will be voting for their peers, there are valuable lessons and experiences for everyone. Please take a little time to talk to your child about what makes a great leader and the qualities they think a leader should have. Even if they don't apply themselves, this will help them to make thoughtful choices when voting.

A special message to our Year 6 pupils: we cannot wait to read your application letters! The selection process is always incredibly difficult as we have so many wonderful candidates who are keen to take on one of our many Year 6 responsibilities. You have already impressed us with your enthusiasm and commitment, and we are hoping to let you know who has been successful in each role by the end of next week. We are incredibly proud of the opportunities we give our children to lead, take responsibility and make a difference. Who knows... we may already have some future leaders in the making!

LIVING THE MISSION

KEY DATES

Monday 14 September - Year 5 - Whitemoor Lakes Parents Meeting 6pm

Tuesday 15 September - School Photos

Friday 18 September - Celebration Assembly - Led by Year 5

Friday 25th September - MacMillan Coffee Afternoon

Tuesday 29 September - Feast of St Raphael the Archangel

Monday 5th October - Year 5 - Whitemoor Lakes

Friday 9th October - World Mental Health Day - Wear Yellow

Friday 23rd October - Fancy Dress Parade 9:15am

St Raphael the Archangel Catholic Multi-Academy Trust

Home Learning

Our Home Learning books have now been sent home and we hope the children enjoyed covering and personalising them! We love seeing the pride they take in their books, and they are a lovely way to celebrate their learning journey throughout the year. Home Learning is for all children from Year 1 to Year 6. Each week, we will continue to share suggestions for English, Maths and RE, but we also want to celebrate all the wonderful learning that happens outside of school. This could be anything from a visit to the zoo or museum, learning a new skill, taking part in a dance class, baking together or even practising something they are passionate about.

We will be celebrating children's home learning with Gold, Silver and Bronze awards, recognising the quality, creativity and effort they put into their learning. At the end of each term, we will also have a special treat for those children who have shown outstanding commitment.
We can't wait to see the fantastic learning that comes through our doors! Let's make home learning creative, enjoyable and something our children can feel really proud of.

School Photos

A reminder that our school photographer will be in school on Tuesday 15th September for our school photographs. If your child usually has PE on a Tuesday, please send them to school in full school uniform with their PE kit in a separate bag. We will make sure they have time to change after their photograph has been taken.
Please do not send your child to school in their PE kit, as children who arrive in PE kit will not have their photograph taken. Unfortunately, we cannot guarantee that the photographer will be able to return to take photographs at another time.
If you would like your child to have a photograph taken with siblings who do not attend St Anne's, there will be an opportunity to do this between 8:00am and 8:30am. Please come to the school office and we will direct you from there.
We look forward to capturing some lovely memories of the children!

Macmillan

☕ Macmillan Coffee Morning – Friday 25th September
We are delighted to be supporting the Macmillan Coffee Morning once again this year. It is a wonderful opportunity for our school community to come together while raising money for a very important cause, supporting people and families affected by cancer.
☕ Coffee, Cake & Conversation
Families and parishioners are warmly invited to join us in the School Hall from 2pm for coffee, cake and a chat. It is always a lovely afternoon and a great opportunity to spend some time together as a school and parish community.
🧁 Children's Cake Sale
In the afternoon, the children will have their own cake sale during Golden Time. Children can bring up to £1 to spend on a tasty treat. Donations can also be made through Arbor via the School Shop.
🎂 Cake Donations
We would be incredibly grateful for donations of cakes — homemade or shop-bought. Cakes can be brought into school on Thursday 24th September so that we can get everything ready for the morning. Any leftover cakes will be available to purchase at the end of the school day.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We hope you can join us, enjoy some cake and help us raise as much as possible for this very worthwhile charity. 💚

Attendance

Reception- 98.1%
Year 1- 98.5%
Year 2- 98.8%
Year 3- 95.9%
Year 4- 99.6%
Year 5- 100%
Year 6- 92.5%

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