

Witness written by Miss Bowcock, Staff Governor

At St. Anne's we are witnesses to a loving God and we recognise God is with us in every aspect of our school life. Our school community bear witness to our school Mission Statement which helps every person here to **achieve** his or her best in **work** and in **play**. We are all witnesses to the values of the Gospel of Jesus Christ such as leadership, honesty, community, forgiveness, trust, justice, peace, respect and dignity. We recognise the Word of God in our actions using scripture to guide us in our everyday lives. Building a community within school is central to everything whilst reaching out to the wider community in service of the common good. We are witnesses to our environment and care for God's creation by being good Stewards of Creation.

Welcome written by Mrs Bell, Foundation Governor

When I called in to the school office last week the member of office staff was on the telephone, so a member of teaching staff immediately acknowledged that I was waiting and said, "Is that one of our lovely parents, what can I do for you Mrs Bell?". Every day- whatever the time of day- I receive a pleasant greeting from all the staff at St Anne's.

On arrival or departure at school I am often entering a door or gate at the same time as other parents and children – the children consistently hold the doors open for others and wait for us to pass them first, always with a smile and impeccable manners. The school has a warm friendly atmosphere.

I try to attend the community assemblies as often as possible and they are such a special occasion, watching how proud the children are to show their achievements and also how everyone else is so proud of them. Whenever someone new joins St Anne's they always receive a certificate and are personally welcomed during the community assembly. Visitors are also officially welcomed and greeted at the start of the assembly by the Headteacher saying to "the parents, governors, parishioners and friends of St Anne's – you are very welcome!". We really do feel this and often stay for a drink and a chat after assembly. St Anne's feels like a family with everyone caring for everyone around them. This shows every day around school.

During a trip to the supermarket last week with my 2 boys after school, we saw a family with 2 children from Key Stage 1 who were very excited to see someone else from their school. They said hello to all of us and seemed very proud to be associated with St Anne's. The behaviours witnessed at school continue outside of the school environment.

### Welfare written by Mrs Burke, Parent Governor

The welfare of our pupils is paramount in the way we care for and support each other, how pupils feel safe and how each pupil is encouraged to develop spiritually, morally, academically, socially and physically.

At St. Anne's we see each individual child, as unique gifts from God and our children are always encouraged to do their best and to use the skills and talents given to them by God. We want to enable every child and adult to 'have life to the full' cultivating an attitude of respect. Our school Community is built on trusting relationships between all children, parents, staff and governors which are rooted in our mission values. We all have a responsibility to help and support each other among our whole community and try to be fair, care for each other and always try to help those who are less fortunate than us, including those outside of our community.

### Word by Mrs Gaffney, Head Teacher

At St. Anne's the Word of God inspires our everyday actions and strengthens our faith in God. During assemblies we reflect on scripture which encourages children to formulate their own 'Big Questions' demonstrating high level thinking skills. Teachers have adapted the scheme, 'Come and See' which has exposed children to the word of God on a deeper level. This has enabled the children to reflect in greater depth on scripture and has allowed the children to relate it to their everyday lives. Children at St. Anne's have become more familiar with formal words for prayer. They achieve this by hearing them, by joining in with them and by singing them.

### Worship written by Mrs Abela, Foundation governor.

Over the past two years, the governors have spent the final Curriculum and Standards meeting on a learning walk in school. We spend the time going through school from Early Years to year 6, looking at children's books and the learning environment. By doing this, we have found that we can find evidence to support judgements about teaching and learning and witness the quality of provision throughout school.

### Worship at St. Anne's:

School entrance: There is a whole school display celebrating all the members of the school community. Photographs of the school's Caritas ambassadors are displayed in the entrance. These children lead worship in classes.

School hall: There is evidence of whole school worship with the altar and Peace display along with the messages from Pope Francis. All the displays are themed around the letters to St Paul.

The Key Stage 2 corridor has evidence of the children's engagement in ECO topics, Multi Faith Week and these are celebrated in assemblies.

Early Years: Each area in the early years department has a class altar and PSHE display.

KS1 (Y1 &2): Classes in KS1 each have an altar and messages from the children celebrating themselves and their achievements.

Year 3: There is an altar area set aside in the year 3 classroom with the colours of the liturgical year. There was also a small display of children's wishes.

Year 4: This classroom has an altar area with prayers by the children's displayed.

Year 5: There is an altar area and prayers by the children.

Year 6: This classroom has an altar area and display of prayers by the children.

Children celebrate Mass on Holidays of Obligation, either in the School Hall or at Church, and Father Chris visits school regularly.

Friday praise assemblies take place every week and prayers are said in each class each morning, before and after lunch and at the end of the day.

First communicants are prepared to receive the sacraments by the school staff.

Liturgies are led by the school Caritas ambassadors.

There is evidence throughout school of collective worship and indeed in each class.