

# ST ANNE'S RC PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL

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## HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

*"To help each person here to achieve his or her best in work and play.*

*To celebrate whatever is good and follow in the footsteps of Jesus by supporting and forgiving each other.*

*For the honour and glory of God."*

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2025**

### **Prayer and Liturgy**

Year Four led the whole school community in their Advent Worship assembly, sharing the liturgical message of peace, which is the focus of the Second Week of Advent. They reflected on the scripture

"Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God" (Isaiah 40:3), reminding everyone that Advent is a time to ready our hearts and welcome God's peace into our lives. Through prayer, song and thoughtful reflections, Year Four helped the school prepare spiritually for the coming of Jesus.



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## Caritas in Action

Our Caritas Ambassadors had the pleasure of welcoming Patrick O'Dowd, the Director of Caritas Salford. He spoke to the children about the importance of putting our faith into action by helping all those in need in whatever ways we can. Please see the beautiful correspondence we received from him following his visit.



Friday, 21 November 2025

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Dear Mrs Clarke,

Thank you so much for the very warm welcome you gave me when I visited St Anne's RC Primary School on Friday, 21st November. It was a real joy to spend time in your school and to see the wonderful Year 3 Advent celebrations that the children had worked so hard to prepare.

Their message of hope was truly uplifting.

Please pass on my heartfelt thanks to the whole school community for their kindness and hospitality.

I would also especially like to thank the Caritas Ambassadors for the fantastic work they are doing to show Jesus' love in our communities today. Their enthusiasm, care and commitment are a real inspiration.

It was a privilege to be with you all and I left feeling encouraged and hopeful. Thank you again for such a special visit and for all the work you do to make Caritas – love – in action in your school.

With warmest wishes,

Yours sincerely,



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## The Wednesday Word

Please find below this week's link to the 'Wednesday Word' leaflet, inspired by the coming Sunday's Gospel. It includes fun, family-friendly activities for children, and I encourage parents to spend a special 10 minutes each week exploring it together. I hope you enjoy it!

[The Wednesday Word](#)

## Nursery

This week we have learnt about Christmas traditions and about the true meaning of Christmas.



## Reception

Reception have been learning about "The Crib" in RE. We explored the Nativity story by dressing up, creating models, and role-playing. The children enjoyed taking on different characters and using the models to help them retell the story of the birth of Jesus.



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## **Year One**

Year One have been learning about bullying and what to do when someone is being bullied.

We spoke about the importance of being a kind friend and how one of our Four Rs is spreading love.



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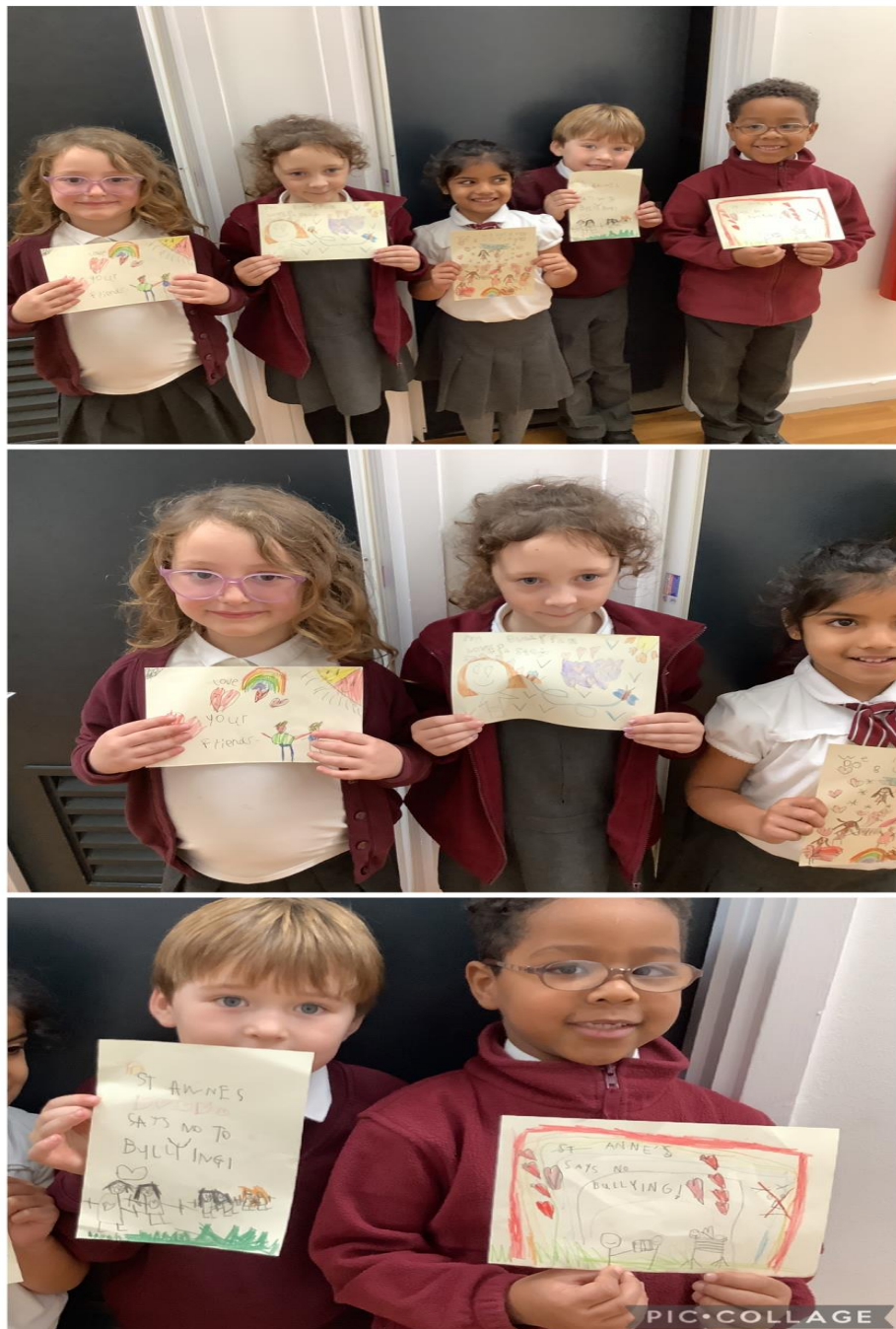
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## Year Two

This week in worship, we listened to the Gospel from Matthew 24:37–44. We heard how Jesus told His friends that one day He will come back, but no one knows exactly when. It will be a

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surprise, just like when Noah built the ark and people didn't expect the big flood. Jesus said we should always try to do the right things, be kind, and be ready - because He could come at any time, even when we don't expect it. We discussed how we can prepare for the coming of the Lord.



## Year Three

This week, Year Three attended a workshop at Ryecroft Hall where they made their own beautiful traditional Christmas lanterns.





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## Year Four

This week, Year Four have shown such reverence in their Advent Worship assembly. They delivered the message of the prophets who said that Christ would come.



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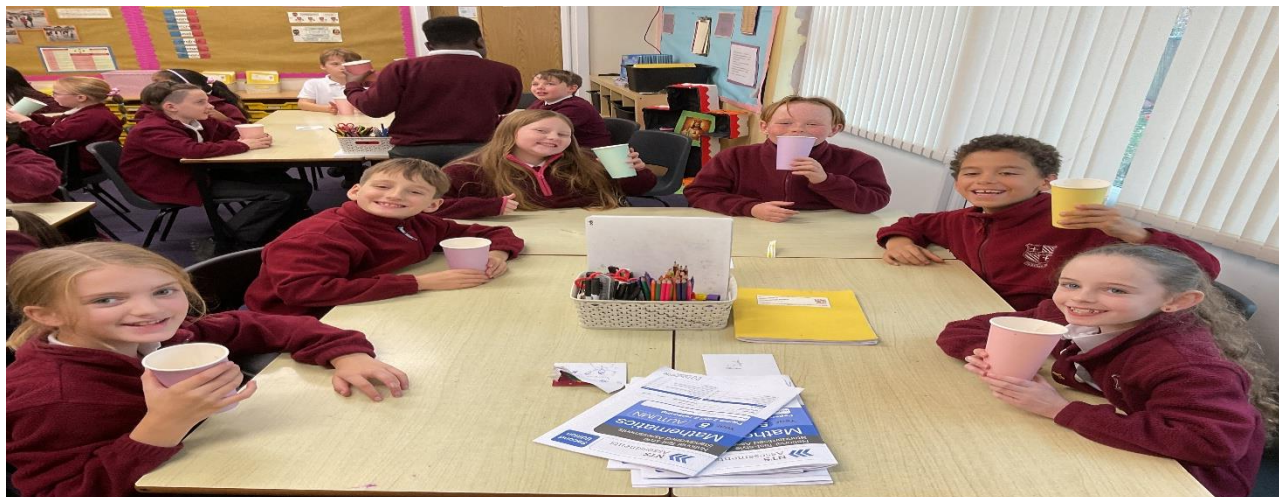
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## Year Six

Year Six enjoyed exploring our Electricity kits this week in Science. They were challenged to construct series circuits in order to make more than one item function in unison.



## Forthcoming Events for the Term

### November

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November:



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- Christmas Markets after 10.30am mass at St Anne's Church Hall- all welcome!
- Sunday Singing Superstars- all children welcome to lead singing during mass at 10.30am.
- Sacramental Programme class at St Anne's church for Year Three starting at 9.30am.

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> – Advent begins.

## December

'Stay and Pray' every Wednesday morning at 8.30am in the school hall during Advent. All Welcome- please enter via the school office.

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December- Bridgewater Hall concert for the choir.

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December -2pm EYFS Nativity (parents invited to watch).

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December -2pm EYFS Nativity (parents invited to watch).

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December-2pm KS1 Nativity (parents are invited to watch).

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> – Year 5 Advent Assembly (parents invited to watch).

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Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> National Christmas Jumper Day - Children can wear their Christmas jumper and bring £1 for our chosen charities.

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> – Traditional Christmas Lunch Day (All orders to be in by 21<sup>st</sup> November).

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Markets in School 15:30-5.00pm

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 Advent Assembly (parents invited to watch).

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> – Panto for children!

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> – Santa Dash for Once upon a smile. **Link to charity on Parent Mail**

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Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>- Early Christmas Party Lunch (All Orders to be in by 21<sup>st</sup> November).

Friday 19<sup>th</sup>- Advent Mass in the School Hall.

-School closes at 1:30pm

## Attendance

Reception are our attendance winners this week! 99.1% Well done!!!!

Reception	99.1%
Year 1	97.7%
Year 2	97.6%
Year 3	96.6%
Year 4	97.7%
Year 5	98.7%
Year 6	96.8%



**Yael, Tilly-Rose, Jenson, Jasmine, Hollie!**