

# 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 19<sup>th</sup> June 2026**

### **Prayer and Liturgy**

This week, we reflected on the Gospel reading from Matthew 10:26–33, where Jesus reminds us three times: "Do not be afraid." Through this scripture, the children learned that God knows, loves, and cares for each one of us. Jesus tells us that even the smallest sparrows are cared for by God, and that we are worth so much more.

We discussed how this message encourages us to be brave in all that we do. Whether we are trying something new, tackling a challenge in our learning, making new friends, or standing up for what is right, we can remember that God is always with us. Courage does not mean never feeling scared; it means trusting in God and doing our best even when things feel difficult.

As a class, we thought about ways we can show bravery every day and how we can support one another to be confident, kind, and resilient. We pray that our children continue to grow in faith, knowing that they are loved by God and can face every challenge with courage and confidence.



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## Nursery

This week in Nursery, we have enjoyed learning all about Mary Anning. The children became budding palaeontologists, enthusiastically digging for dinosaurs and then making their own dinosaur skeletons.



## Reception

This week we have been celebrating everything that is great about our dads! We create portraits, designed cards and wrote about why we love them.



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## Year One

This week during Collective Worship, Year One have been exploring different ways we can show kindness and spread love, just as Jesus asked his disciples to do. Through role-play and discussion, the children acted out ways of helping others, including comforting friends when they are feeling sad, helping their parents with cooking and household jobs, and caring for God's world by tidying up and looking after the environment.



## Year Two

Our talented Year Two artists transformed flat clay tiles into fantastic castle sculptures! Through carving, shaping, and adding textured details, they created unique castle designs while learning about sculpture and three-dimensional art.



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## Year Three

We had lots of fun painting our scarab beetles this week. We used thin paintbrushes to paint the details and added lots of metallic colours.



## Year Four

Our Science focus this week has been looking in depth at teeth, we even had an amazing visit from our resident dentist! Thank you so much, Dr Sara.



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## Year Five

Year Five had best day on their school trip on Tuesday. They visited Reddish Vale County Park and farm. In the morning, we conducted Geography field work, following the course of the River Tame focusing on pollution, wild life and plant diversity. In the afternoon, we visited the farm learning about the life cycles of lots of different animals!



## Year Six

Year Six enjoyed getting started on their 3D masks this week. They were sculpting card and tissue paper to create the features of their Greek gods, goddesses and villains!



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## Forthcoming Events

### June

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>** - School photographer (Class photographs of Nursery and Year 6 will also be taken on this day)

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup>** – Fathers vs Fathers – Charity Football match (parents vs priests)

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup>** – Celebrating Cultural Diversity Day. We invite children to come to school wearing the colours of their national flag/s or traditional clothing to celebrate our diverse community. Then a 'Food Festival' for the children will be held in the hall from 1:30pm-3pm. Thank you so much to all of our volunteers so far- we have space for more support if you would like to join!

### July

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> - Sports Day (Weather dependent)

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 Treat Day

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> – Rocksteady concert

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> – Creative Arts Day

Monday 13<sup>th</sup>-Year Six End of Year Production. Dress Rehearsal 1:30pm (whole school to watch)

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>-End of Year Production 5.30pm (children return to school for 5.00pm to change into costumes).

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> - Summer Fun Day/ St Anne's Got Talent.

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> – Leavers Mass in school 9:15am.

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> - **School closes for Summer at 1:30pm**

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> - Staff INSET Day

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> - Staff INSET Day

## Attendance

### Year Two are our attendance winners this week! 99% Well done!

Reception	95%
Year 1	90%
Year 2	99%
Year 3	98.5%
Year 4	93%
Year 5	94.5%
Year 6	92.5%

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## Birthdays!

**John, Nora, Eduard, Ivy, Jaxon, Freddie, Eryk & Maria!**