



HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

“Following in Jesus’ Footsteps with Love in Our Hearts”

Friday 16th October 2026

As we break for the half-term holiday, I hope everyone takes the opportunity to rest, recharge and enjoy some quality time with family and friends. We look forward to welcoming the children back refreshed and ready for another exciting half term of learning.

I would also like to say a big thank you to our wonderful PFA members who organised a fantastic Pumpkin Patch celebration to end the term on a high. They worked tirelessly to transform our field into a magical space for the children to enjoy, creating a memorable experience for everyone. The smiles, laughter and excitement were a wonderful reflection of the strong community spirit that makes St Anne's such a special place. Thank you for helping to create opportunities that our children will remember for years to come.

Have a safe, happy and restful half-term break.



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A Fond Farewell to Mrs. Ferriss- King...

This term we say a heartfelt goodbye to Mrs. Ferriss- King who is retiring after almost 20 years of dedicated service as a Teaching Assistant at St Anne's.

Throughout her time with us, Mrs. Ferriss-King has been a valued member of our school community, and her hard work, dedication and wonderful sense of humour will be greatly missed by both staff and pupils alike.

On behalf of everyone at St Anne's, we would like to thank Mrs. Ferriss-King for her many years of service and of all she has contributed to our school. We wish her a long, happy and well-deserved retirement. You will always be a part of the St Anne's family and are always welcome back!



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Nursery

On Thursday, Nursery enjoyed a special assembly presented by the police force. We even got to see a real police car up close- the children enjoyed the loud siren and flashing lights!



Reception

After enjoying the story *Pumpkin Soup*, Reception decided to bring the story to life by making their own soup! The children had a little taste of their creation and agreed it was delicious.



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Year One

This week Year One have been lucky to have Mr Powell (who has celebrated his 90th birthday) in as a guest speaker. We wrote down some questions about how homes have changed within Mr Pownell's living memory and he answered them for us. We are very lucky to have Mr Pownell!



Year Two

Year Two have been exploring the exciting world of technology! They have been learning how to stay safe when using IT, identifying the different types of technology we use at school and at home, and discovering the importance of using technology responsibly.



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Year Three

Year Three had a fantastic time picking and decorating their pumpkins. We also got a chance to show off our creative outfits and incredible moves at our Halloween disco.



Year Four

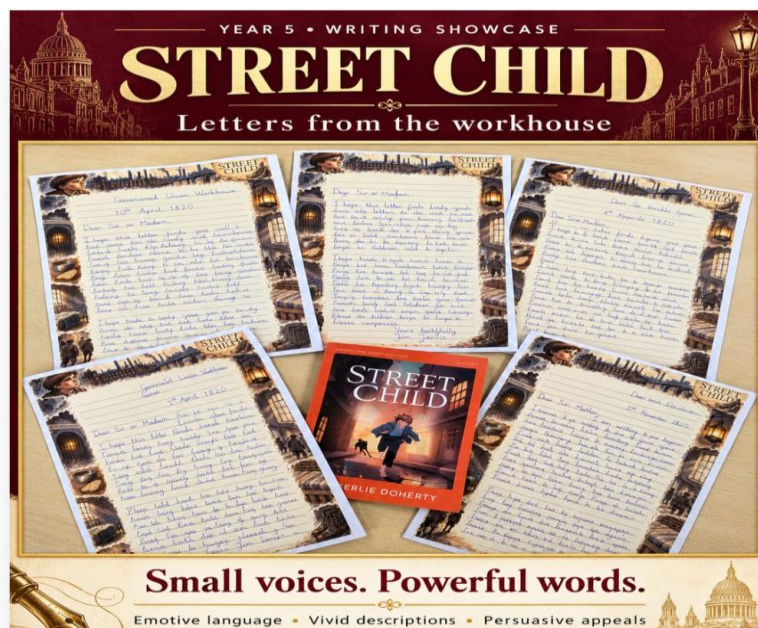
Year Four had a fantastic time on our school's pumpkin patch! Thank you for all of your hard work this half term Year Four.





Year Five

Look at Year Five's outstanding writing from our Street Child unit: powerful letters written as a young boy living in a Victorian workhouse, pleading for help! Through emotive language, vivid descriptions and persuasive appeals, the children have brought his struggles to life and shown remarkable empathy.



Year Six

Year Six had a fantastic day on Monday, exploring the mile-long tunnels 12 meters below the streets of Stockport and experiencing first-hand what it would have been like to be an evacuee in 1940!



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Forthcoming Events

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2nd November –
18th December

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|  | 2 nd November – Return to school | | |
|  | 9 th November – Odd Socks Day to mark Anti Bullying week | | |
|  | 11 th November – Remembrance Day | | |
|  | 20 th November – Final day to order Traditional Christmas Lunch/Part Lunch | | |
|  | 20 th November – Year 3 Advent Assembly 9:15am (Parents invited to watch) | | |
|  | 26 th November – Year 4 Advent Assembly 9:15am (Parents invited to watch) | | |
|  | 27 th November – Staff INSET Day – School closed to children | | |
|  | 29 th November – Advent begins. | | |
|  | 30 th November – 9:45am EYFS Nativity parents invited to watch | | |
|  | 1 st December – 9:45am EYFS Nativity parents invited to watch | | |
|  | 2 nd December – 9:45am KS1 Nativity parents invited to watch | | |
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|  | 3 rd December – 9:45am KS1 Nativity parents invited to watch | | |
|  | 4 th December – Year 5 Advent Assembly 9:15am parents invited to watch | | |
| | |  | 10 th December – Jumper Day (in school) & Christmas Markets (15:30 – 17:00) |
| | |  | 11 th December – Year 6 Advent Assembly 9:15am parents invited to watch |
| | |  | 15 th December – Whole School Pantomime & Santa Dash |
| | |  | 16 th December – Early Christmas Party Lunch (orders to be in school by 20 th November) |
| | |  | 16 th December – Advent Mass |
| | |  | 18 th December – School closes at 1:30pm for Christmas Break |

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Attendance

Year Four are our attendance winners this week! 99.5% Well done!

Reception	88%
Year 1	95%
Year 2	98%
Year 3	93%
Year 4	99.5%
Year 5	98.5%
Year 6	93%



Birthdays

Autumn, Antonia, Raphaela, Jacob, Roman, Amelia, Jack, Jarvis & Euan!