



St Anne's Weekly Newsletter

Friday 8th May 2026



Mission Statement


At St. Anne's, we aim to be a caring, Christian school, within the community, where everyone is respected and valued.

To be a school where all individuals are encouraged to build on their strengths and aspire to be the best they can.

Vision


Our vision has the promise by Jesus of '**life in all its fullness**' at its heart. At St Anne's, we believe:

- in our children and each other,
- we are uniquely created in the image of God,
- we were made to be awesome,
- that together we are family,
- we were created to live in community,
- in equipping the St Anne's family to be the best we can be,
- in our individual talents and abilities, and
- we can make a difference.



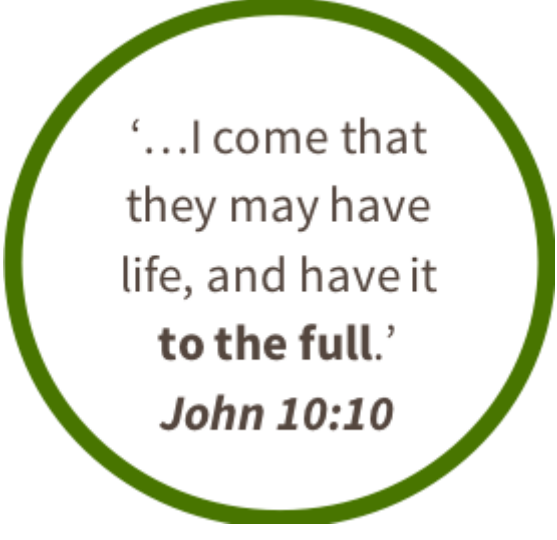
**'... let your light
Shine** before others,
that they may see your
good deeds and glorify
your Father in heaven.'

Matthew 5:16



‘I thank you
because I am
awesomely
made...’.

Psalm 139:14



‘...I come that
they may have
life, and have it
to the full.’

John 10:10

Our Values

At **St Anne’s CE Primary School** the following core values underpin all that we do. They are reflected in the daily life of the school and our relationships with others.

- Respect
- Thankfulness
- Hope
- Forgiveness
- Love
- Faithfulness

Mrs Webb's Updates

It's been another busy and joyful week in school, even though it's been a slightly shorter four-day week to begin the month of May.



One of the highlights has definitely been the arrival of our chicks and ducks. The children have loved observing them and learning about new life — a wonderful hands-on experience that has sparked lots of curiosity and excitement across the school.

Our Year 6 pupils have been working incredibly hard as they prepare for their upcoming SATs. We are proud of their positive attitude and the effort they are putting into their learning. We'll continue to support them in feeling calm, confident and ready. Children are welcome to come to school for breakfast from 8:30am on testing days.

Our nursery children loved their forest school session this week. Learning outdoors in the sunshine was awesome!

We're also looking ahead to some exciting events, with planning underway for upcoming fundraisers, including our OPAL festival and Friends events. These are always special occasions that bring our school community together, and we look forward to sharing more details soon.

As a school, we continue to reflect on our vision of living life in all its fullness. The words from John 10:10 remind us to live life to its fullest in all situations. The joy we see in school from our children is awesome; they have so many opportunities and experiences for them to really feel these words in their lives.

"I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full." John 10:10



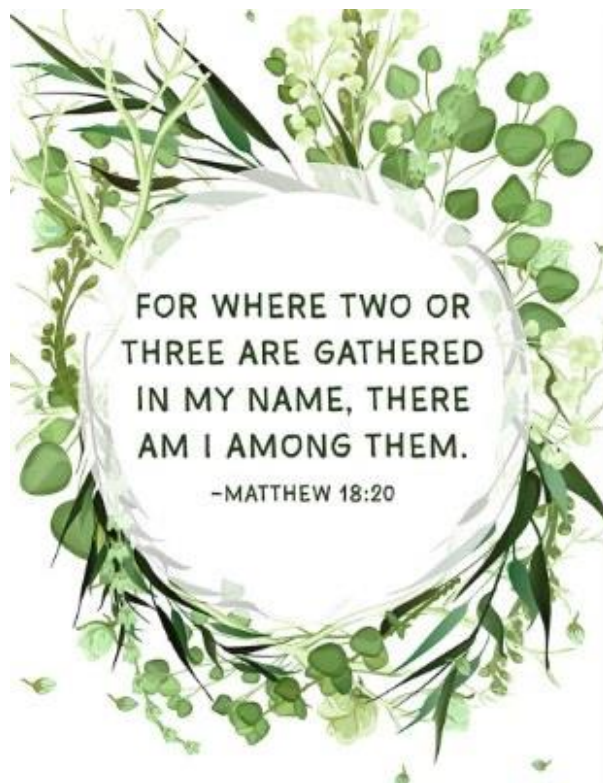
We are reminded to embrace each day with gratitude, kindness and a willingness to make the most of every opportunity — whether that's through learning, friendships or new experiences like caring for our chicks and ducks. Living life to the full means encouraging our children to grow, explore and flourish in all that they do.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs J Webb

Headteacher

Collective Worship



We've enjoyed a variety of collective worship opportunities across the week.

On Wednesday “Open the Book” volunteers brought stories to life in a way the children always enjoy, while Thursday’s key stage worship gave time for more focused reflection. We ended the week with our celebration worship on Friday, recognising children’s achievements and successes together.

VACANCY



SEND Teaching Assistant Level 3

The governors of St Anne’s CE Primary School are looking to appoint an experienced, caring and enthusiastic learning assistant to join our team. The successful candidate will work across all key stages support our SEND pupils.

We have high expectations and we are looking for someone who is going to take a real pride in their work, who will enjoy being part of our school family and has a desire to help SEND children in their education.

We are looking for someone who will:

- Support our Christian ethos, values and mission statement in their daily practice
- Complement our hard-working team
- Be enthusiastic
- Be able to work as part of a team, as well as proactively
- Promote positive relationships with children, parents, carers, staff and other stakeholders
- Have a good knowledge of the primary curriculum and how this can be adapted to meet the needs of all learners
- Have high expectations of themselves and of the children
- Be able to support SEND pupils in class and on a 1:1 basis
- Keep accurate and thorough records regarding pupils with EHCPs
- Follow school policies and procedures well
- Facilitate play for and between children during lunchtimes

Our school will offer you:

- A warm, caring ethos
- A committed team of staff and governors
- Strong partnerships with the church and community
- Friendly, eager pupils who want to learn
- Continued professional development

Permanent contract of 19 hours per week. This will consist of 12.5 hours at TA3 SEND support and 6.25 hours at foundation living wage as lunchtime welfare play assistant.

https://schooljobs.lancashire.gov.uk/nt_vacancyDetails.asp?id=67699

Happy 100th Birthday Sir David Attenborough

Today our school is celebrating the 100th birthday of the incredible David Attenborough

For generations, Sir David has inspired the world through his life's work, bringing the beauty of nature into our homes and teaching us the importance of protecting our planet

From amazing wildlife documentaries to powerful messages about climate change and conservation, his passion has encouraged millions to care for the Earth and all living things. As we celebrate this special milestone, we are also reminded that every one of us can make a difference

We can help our planet by:

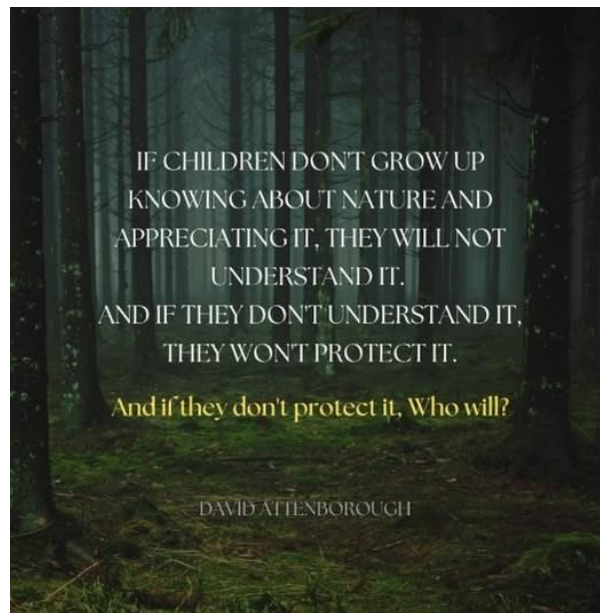
Recycling and reducing waste

Saving water and energy

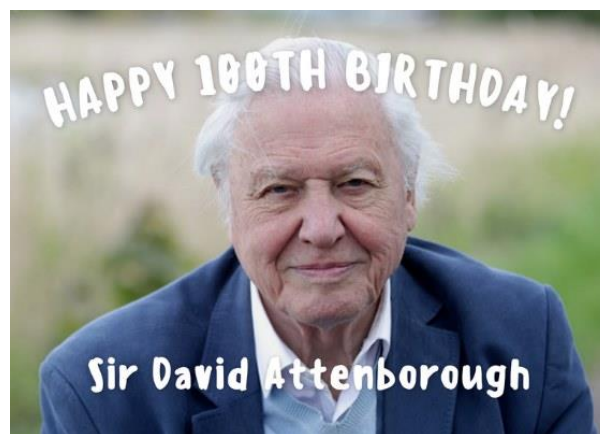
Planting trees and protecting wildlife

Being kinder to nature every day

Happy 100th Birthday, Sir David Attenborough! Thank you for helping us see the wonder of our natural world and inspiring us to protect it for future generations.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iYXBJmrsxZU>



Attendance and Punctuality

Good attendance and punctuality are essential for children's learning, wellbeing and future success. Every day in school counts, and even small amounts of absence can affect progress. Arriving on time is equally important, as late arrival can mean children miss key learning and socials settling at the start of the day.

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring children are in school regularly.



Reception 100%

Year 1 97.8%

Year 2 98.5%

Year 3 95.7%

Year 4 98.6%

Year 5 99.3%

Year 6 92%

Whole School 95.8%

Calling All Local Bands & Musicians!



We're getting excited for our upcoming School Festival on **Friday 5th June from 5pm** onwards — and we're looking for talented performers to help make it a fantastic evening!

If you're a band or musician who would be happy to perform a 30–60 minute set, we'd love to hear from you.

This is a great opportunity to showcase your talent and be part of a fun, community-focused event.

Interested? Please get in touch with our school office for more details.

Let's make it a night to remember!

Parking

St Anne's expects that pupils can arrive and leave school safely without the danger of an accident due to car parking.

To help keep our pupils safe, please can I politely ask you:

- not to park on the yellow safety lines around school,
- not to turn around in the road and reverse near pavements,
- not to park on the pavements near school where children are walking
- not to double park near the pull in laybys or in the middle of the road

Maths Passports



We're excited to launch our brand new Maths Passport Initiative—and a huge thank you to Mr Davies for leading the way in maths and bringing this fantastic idea to life!

This initiative turns learning into a global adventure, where children “travel” the world while developing essential maths skills. Each term, they’ll focus on 3 key maths skills, earning stamps in their Maths Passport as they learn, practise, and achieve.



This week in photographs

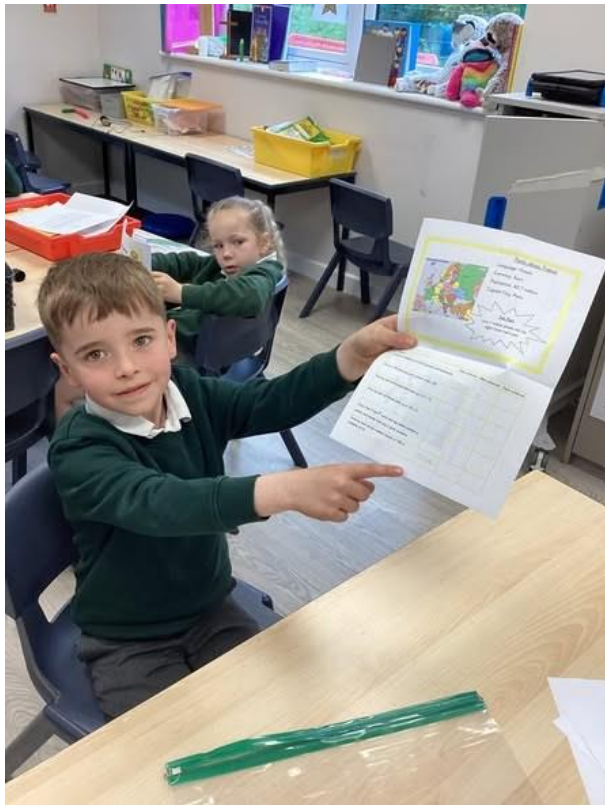


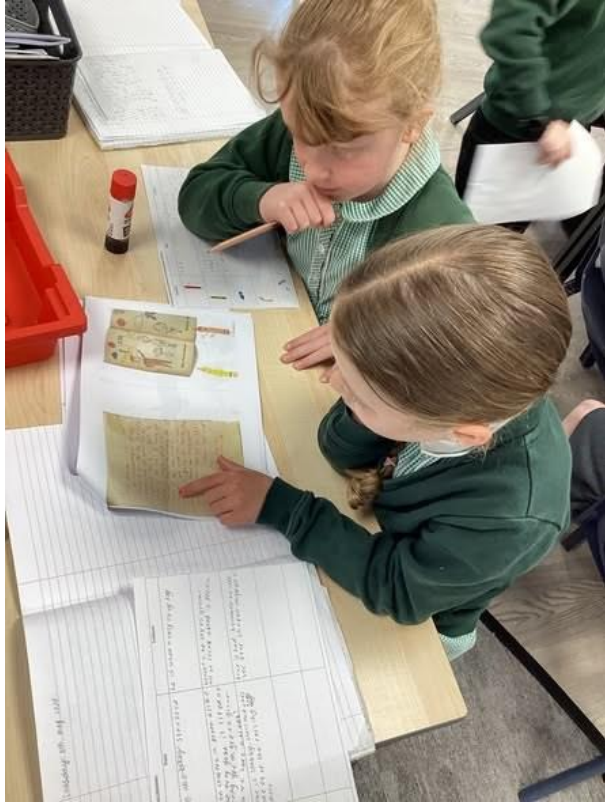








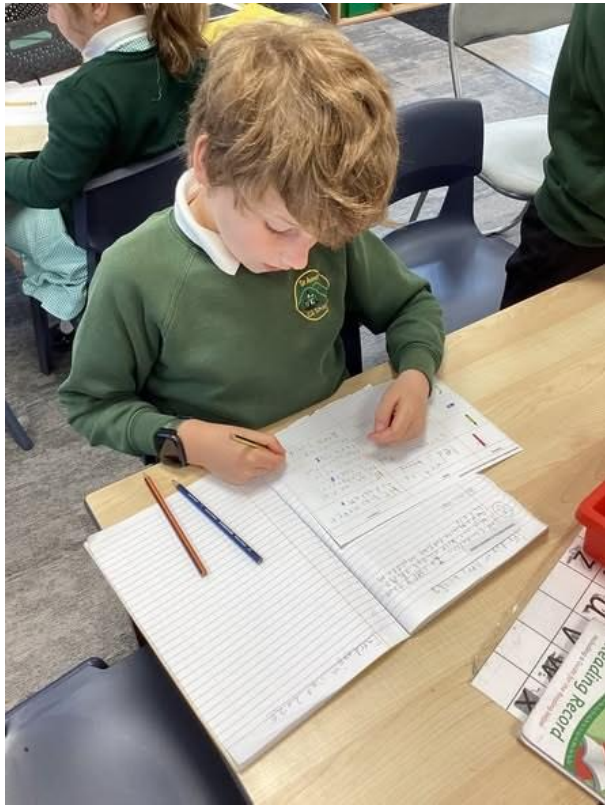




















Friends of St Anne's



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Friends is a friendly group of parents and staff who meet regularly to plan events for our children to raise funds. The funds help to enhance the school curriculum. We believe extra experiences enrich our children's experiences throughout their time at St Anne's and give them lifelong memories.

Some examples of the events we hold are: discos, Christmas and summer fairs, quiz nights, raffles.

SCHOOL DISCO!

THURSDAY 14TH MAY
6-7:30PM

EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT!
£3.50
 TO INCLUDE A DRINK AND PIZZA!

TICKETS
£4
 ON THE DAY

TUCK SHOP **FACE PAINTING** **GLITTER TATTOOS**

♥ **HOSTED BY FRIENDS OF ST ANNE'S** ♥

SCHOOL SUMMER Fair!

FRIDAY 26TH JUNE
IN KS2
3:30-5PM

STALLS **GAMES** **TOMBOLA** **BBQ** **LICENSED BAR**

CASH AND CARDS ACCEPTED

♥ **HOSTED BY** ♥
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At The National College, our #WakeUpWednesday guides engage and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Content developed by National Children's Agency. These guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators HELPING NEURODIVERGENT CHILDREN NAVIGATE THE ONLINE WORLD

Neurodivergent people tend to be early adopters of technology, and many influential innovators in this space are neurodivergent themselves. It's therefore likely that a neurodivergent child or young person may be drawn to the online world from an early age. This isn't a concern in itself, but understanding both the benefits and potential risks is essential. Here are 10 key considerations to support safe and positive online experiences for neurodivergent children.

- 1 TREAT ONLINE LIKE THE REAL WORLD**
You wouldn't allow a child to cross a road without looking at the traffic, or to play in a park without checking for a dog. In the same way, neurodivergent children may be particularly susceptible to online risks. They may not be able to tell if a link is safe or if a person is who they say they are. They may also be more likely to be influenced by what they see online.
- 2 MODEL RESPONSIBLE USE**
Children learn from what they see. Show all children, regardless of their age, what it means to be online. Use the internet responsibly and show them how to do it. Encourage them to think about the consequences of their actions. Talk to them about what they can do to stay safe online. Encourage them to be kind, respectful and to report any concerns to a trusted adult.
- 3 KNOW YOUR LIMITS**
Current government guidance suggests no more than one hour per day for 5-7 year olds, and no more than two hours per day for 8-17 year olds. Screen time should be used for educational and creative purposes. Encourage children to be active and to spend time with friends and family. Encourage children to be kind and respectful to others online.
- 4 CONSIDER AGES AND STAGES**
For older children and teenagers, signed consent is required. Screen time can be used for educational and creative purposes. Encourage children to be active and to spend time with friends and family. Encourage children to be kind and respectful to others online.
- 5 KEEP CONVERSATIONS OPEN**
Discussions about online safety should begin early and continue to develop over time. Encourage neurodivergent children to talk about getting help if they are worried. Encourage them to be kind and respectful to others online. Encourage them to be active and to spend time with friends and family. Encourage them to be kind and respectful to others online.
- 6 BUILD YOUR KNOWLEDGE**
You don't need to be an expert, but it's important to stay informed about the online world. Use the internet responsibly and show them how to do it. Encourage them to think about the consequences of their actions. Talk to them about what they can do to stay safe online. Encourage them to be kind, respectful and to report any concerns to a trusted adult.
- 7 SET CLEAR BOUNDARIES**
Children and young people often know more about online safety than their parents. Encourage them to be active and to spend time with friends and family. Encourage them to be kind and respectful to others online. Encourage them to be active and to spend time with friends and family. Encourage them to be kind and respectful to others online.
- 8 UNDERSTAND AI CONTENT**
The internet now includes large amounts of AI-generated content, including images, videos, and text. Encourage children to be active and to spend time with friends and family. Encourage them to be kind and respectful to others online. Encourage them to be active and to spend time with friends and family. Encourage them to be kind and respectful to others online.
- 9 EXPLAIN AI LIMITATIONS**
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- 10 CLARIFY AI RELATIONSHIPS**
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Meet Our Expert
Caitlin Smith is a neurodivergent former SENCO and Advisory Teacher who works with nurseries, schools, colleges, and businesses to improve inclusion for neurodivergent people. She is the founder and Director of NeuroDiverse and the author of 'The Other 20% - How Supporting Your Neurodivergent Learner Can Improve Teaching and Learning for the Whole Class'.

#WakeUpWednesday **The National College**

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Weekly Awards



Class Captains: Sofia, Isaac, Jessica, Layla, Ralph, Myla, Isla

Top Table: Koby, Ivy, Ted, Eliza, Sam, Brayden, Isabella

OPAL positive play: Dolly, Oliver

Breakfast Club: Elliott

After School Club: Henry

Housepoints



House of Loyalty 1195

House of Courage 1025

House of Trust 1200

House of Bravery 1140



Diary dates



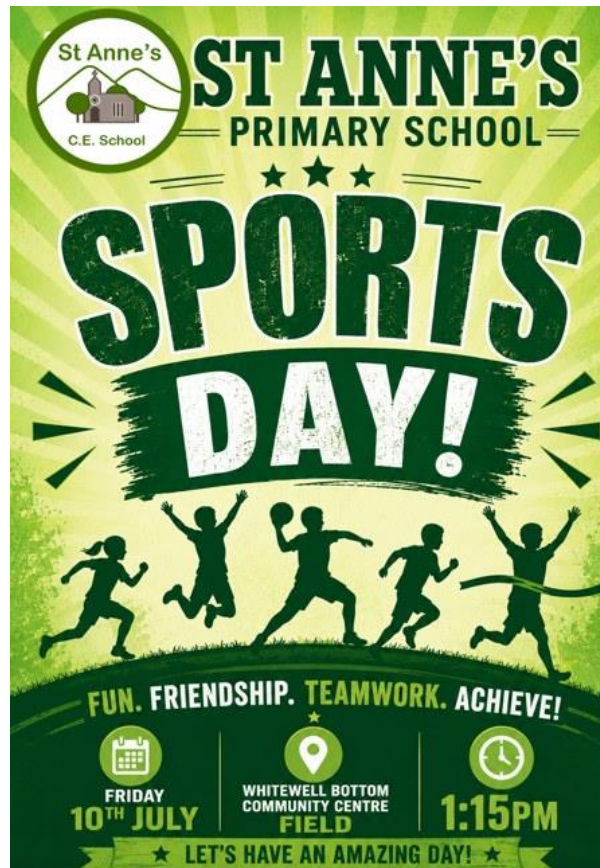
- Monday 11th May - Thursday 14th May Year 6 SATS week, Breakfast from 8:30am.
- Tuesday 12th May Governor Committee Meetings - Standards and Resources
- Tuesday 19th May Whole School Photograph
- Wednesday 20th May Class Photos
- Tuesday 19th May School Nurse Drop In from 2pm
- **Friday 22nd May School Closes for the half term break**
- **Wednesday 3rd June School reopens**
- Friday 5th June Non Uniform Day
- Friday 5th June OPAL Fundraising festival
- Monday 8th June Year 1 Phonics screening check and Year 4 Multiplication Check
- Monday 8th June Educational Visit to Football Museum for football club attendees
- Tuesday 9th and 10th June Life Education Visit
- Friday 12th June Grand Opening of our year 1 and 2 Building 2:30pm
- Thursday 18th June EYFS Educational Visit

- Thursday 18th June Year 5 and 6 Visit to Vision @ Woodlea Emotional Wellbeing Session
- Tuesday 23rd June Year 3/4 visit to Bewilderwood-arrive at school @ 8:20am
- Tuesday 23rd June SEND Support Pupil Annual Appointments with SENDCo
- Thursday 25th June Relationships and Sex Education sessions for years 4, 5 and 6
- Monday 29th June Year 6 Diocesan Leavers' service at Manchester Cathedral
- Monday 29th June Whole School Assessment Week
- Wednesday 1st July 2026 - Friday 3rd July 2026 Year 6 residential to Hothersall lodge
- Thursday 2nd July EHCP Pupil Annual Appointment with SENDCo
- Tuesday 7th and 8th July Wimbledon Visit
- Thursday 9th July Year 5 visit to Cadbury World
- Friday 10th July Sports day 1:15pm @ Whitewell Bottom Community Centre Field
- Tuesday 14th July @ 2:00pm summer term music concert in church 2:00pm
- Friday 17th July @ 2:00pm Year 6 Leavers' service in church
- **Friday 17th July 2026 School closes for the summer break**

Term dates for 2026-2027 can be found on our website and have been sent via Parent Mail.

<https://stannesceprimary.school/school-holidays/>

Sports Day 2026

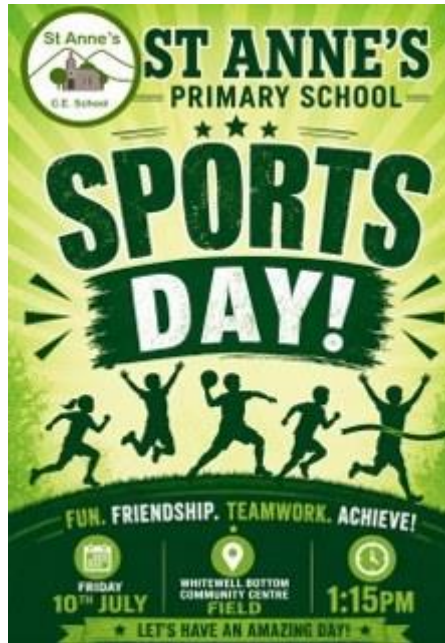


We're excited to share plans for this year's annual Sports Day — and we're trying something a little different!

Alongside all the usual fun, teamwork and healthy competition, we'll be introducing a "*Posh Picnic*" experience, complete with a special VIP seating area.

This will be a lovely way for families to relax, enjoy the day, and cheer on our children in style!

More details will be shared soon, but we're looking forward to a fantastic day filled with energy, encouragement and community spirit. Save the date — it's set to be a great one!



St Anne's
C.E. School

ST ANNE'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

SPORTS DAY!

FUN. FRIENDSHIP. TEAMWORK. ACHIEVE!

FRIDAY
10TH JULY

WHITEWELL BOTTOM
COMMUNITY CENTRE
FIELD

1:15PM

LET'S HAVE AN AMAZING DAY!



POSH Picnic

• AT SCHOOL SPORTS DAY •

HOSTED BY
St. Anne's School

10TH JULY

WHITEWELL BOTTOM COMMUNITY CENTRE

YOUR PICNIC INCLUDES:

- FRESHLY MADE SANDWICHES
- HOMEMADE CAKES
- SCONES AND CREAM
- SOFT DRINKS

£10
PER PERSON

VIP
SEATING AREA
WITH UNINTERRUPTED
VIEW OF THE RACES

PLACES ARE LIMITED
SO BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL!

St Anne's Church

Welcome to St Anne's Church Edgeside



St Anne's Church is made up of an active group of people who love God and want to serve our Community. Our services are modern and informal and we love to get everyone involved. All ages have a part to play at St Anne's Church and there are groups and activities for everyone, and because Church is not just about Sunday, there are lots of activities going on throughout the week. **Why not join us and get involved?**

<https://stannedgeside.co.uk/>



The next Rossendale Youth Event is coming up on Sunday 10th May at St Paul's Centre Constable Lee. To book scan the QR code or click the link below.

<https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=L4yvPTE0aIEv6GFwwyisKdm8FVsXRHpp2qnSmhejVUN1dITVQxTINZWEEFNkE4U1hMTQhMVZZUC4u&route=shorturl>



Saturday 9th May
10:15am-11:15am
Venue for this month to be confirmed shortly





Contact Us



There are various ways you can contact us in school and keep up to date with school life.

- Please use our school email address office@st-anne-edgeside.lancs.sch.uk
- You can call us on: 01706 214081. Please note that calls are recorded for training and monitoring purposes.
- Speak to your child's class teacher at drop off or hand over times.
- Our school Facebook page has events and photographs of our children: <https://www.facebook.com/stannescofeprimaryschool>

- And please visit our school website for more information about our school:
<https://stannesceprimary.school/>