



HEADLINES

	JULY
18 th	Ordination of Michael Flower @ St. Chad's Cathedral - please pray for him.
	September
1 st & 2 nd	INSET DAYS
3 rd	All pupils (exc. Nursery Return to school) @ 8:30am
4 th	Meet the Teacher KS2 9am Meet the teacher KS1 2:50pm
5 th	Family Parish Mass @ 6pm Confirmation commitment Mass all of Year 6 should attend as this starts Confirmation preparation.
7 th	Nursery pupils phased start.
9 th	Whole School Start of the academic Year Mass @ 9am in the school hall.
12 th	First Holy Communion Family Parish Mass @ 6pm all Year 3 pupils should attend as this starts Communion preparation.
19 th	Family Parish Mass @ 6pm Welcome to St Anne's Mass for Reception and Nursery.
25 th	School Discos EYFS @ 4:00pm - 4:45pm KS1 @ 5:00pm - 6:00pm KS2 @ 6:15pm - 7:30pm
26 th	Family Parish Mass @ 6pm Y4/Y1
	October
2 nd	INSET School Closed to pupils
3 rd	GIFT/CARITAS/MINI-VINNIES family parish Mass @ 6pm
5 th	School photos individuals and siblings
10 th	Family Parish Mass for Special Friends from Y6 and Reception meet your child's special friend.
14 th	Y5 residential @ Alton Castle to Friday 16 th October
17 th	Family Parish Mass @ 6pm Y3/Y2
	IMPORTANT DATES
5 th November Y6 Confirmation. 7 th June Y6 Residential. 19 th June FHC Y3 1 st July Y5 to Walsingham.	
Mass rota and other key dates will be given to you next week, We hope this will help with managing diaries.	



The word is **Growing**. We are all trying to grow in our faith and continue to develop our relationship with God.

Whole School Mass Wednesday 9th September at school, this will launch our academic year together. All parents welcome.



Headteacher Message

What an amazing final week we've had in school. It has been a week, where we have had the chance to reflect on the year, celebrate everyone's achievements and give thanks for our blessings. On Thursday we received the SATS results for Year 6, they were fantastic, and it is very pleasing that their hard work was rewarded with these incredible results. Thank you to all the parents for supporting your children to achieve these results, thank you to Miss Keedwell and Mrs Lee for their incredible efforts and most importantly thank you to our Year 6 pupils. Today, Fr. Gwil ended our year with a wonderful Mass giving thanks for everything that has happened at St. Anne's this year. Our day finished with us waving goodbye to our Year 6 of 2026. What a truly inspiring group of young people you are. I know you will go on to set the world on fire. Remember, you are special and always a valued member of our school family. Thank you to our whole school community for working collaboratively with us this year, we really are so very grateful to you. Have a wonderful summer break, enjoy great family time and hopefully some more sunshine. On a personal note, thank you to everyone who has reached out to me and shared their thanks. See you all back safely on the 3rd of September.

We were awarded The Live Simply Award. This has been a three-year journey for our school and has seen our community come together to ensure that our pupils have a deep and full understanding of what it means to live simply, sustainably and in solidarity with others.

We are passionate about these aims and know that all our pupils are too. We hope that by continuing to embrace these three strands, it will enable our children and families to have a positive impact locally and globally. Thank you to all of the school staff who have supported our pupils especially Miss Keedwell, Mrs Turley and to Mrs Long for her great display talents in creating such a wonderful permanent Live Simply display in our school hall. This ensures that the message is vibrant and alive for us all on a daily basis. We look forward to now growing our ideas as the GIFT, CARITAS and MINI-VINNIES teams work in solidarity together encouraging our whole community to be brave and take positive action for the benefit of all.

Nursery Wow, Nursery - I honestly can't believe our year together has come to an end! Where has the time gone? It has been such a joy and a privilege to watch you all grow, learn, laugh and shine this year. You are all absolute superstars, and each one of you has made Nursery such a special place to be. On behalf of all the Nursery staff, thank you so much for your incredibly thoughtful cards and generous gifts. Your kindness has truly touched us, and we are so grateful. We are going to miss your smiling faces so much, but we can't wait to see all the amazing things you'll do next. Have the most wonderful summer filled with fun, laughter, adventures, and lots of happy memories.

Mr Johnston Mrs Lingwood and the Nursery Team

Reception The time has finally come! It's the end of Reception - and what a year we've had together - filled with friendships and fun! When I've looked at photographs of the children this week, I can't quite believe how much they've grown up. And looking through some of their work this week, I can see an enormous amount of hard work & progress from every single child. Thank you to all the parents and family members who joined us this year for workshops, reading together sessions and stay & pray. Thank you for supporting your child in their learning at home this year. Thank you also for all your kind messages, cards and gifts. They mean such a lot to us all and we are extremely grateful. But more importantly, thank you to the children! This class are truly amazing, and I will miss being with them next year. Have a wonderful summer and I can't wait to see them ready for Year 1 in September.

Mrs Turley and the early years team.

Year 1. What can I say other than wow! We are finally at the end of our time in Year 1 but you have honestly been a wonderful class who have brought so much joy, energy and kindness to one another. It was a joy to see you enjoy 'The Gruffalo' themed party yesterday as your final class reward. We will miss you all next year, but we will only be one door away! You are all Phonics superstars, and we are incredibly proud of each and every one of you. Thank you to all the parents and children who have contributed to our 100% Phonics score this year. Congratulations to each and every one of you. Thank you for your generosity and endless support to the Year 1 team. Have a wonderful summer and enjoy that sunshine!

Mrs McCabe, Mr Johnston & Y1 Team

Year 2 Wow! What a wonderful first year in Year 2. You have all been amazing and are such a lovely class! I'm very proud of you all as you have achieved so many personal goals, made lots of great contributions, produced work you can be proud of, had fun and been such caring friends to each other. I will miss our chats, but you are ready for Year 3 and I can't wait to see all that you achieve in the juniors. Mrs Matchett and I also want to say a huge thank you so much to all parents and carers for your kind words and generous gifts. We wish you all a happy and healthy summer break!

Miss Regan

Year 3 Thank you to all of Year 3 for being fantastic pupils this whole year. You have worked so hard and really matured this academic year. We will always remember your First Holy Communion and the water play this hot summer and our trip to the Habberley Trail. Enjoy the rest of the summer with your families and thank you to the parents for all the kind gifts and cards, we very much appreciate it. See you in September!

Mrs Robinson and Mr Johnston

Year 4 What an amazing year it has been, Year 4! It has been a pleasure to teach you all again for a second year and you should all be so proud of the fantastic progress you have made throughout the year. We have made some amazing memories: our performance at Lichfield 'Gotta Dance' and our trip to Cadbury World really stood out to me. Thank you so much for all the lovely cards and gifts. You have been so generous and thoughtful. I loved looking through the beautiful photo book you made me! Have an amazing summer and a very well-deserved break!

Miss Jones

Year 5 Where has that time gone? You have been an absolutely awesome Year 5 class and I have loved being your teacher this year. Both inside and outside the classroom we have had lots of fun and learnt so much. I know that each and every one of you is ready now for the challenge of Year 6 and you will make great role models for the rest of the school. I will be keeping a close eye on every single one of you next year and I look forward to seeing how you thrive with Miss Keedwell. Can I say a huge THANK YOU for all of the very generous gifts and cards that I have received - I am very grateful. I hope that you all have a fabulous Summer and I can't wait to hear about the adventures you have been on when we return in September! Adios! A huge thank you from Mrs Benton and Mrs Baker for their gifts too.

Mr Caddick

Year 6 [Congratulations](#)

Year 6! You have smashed it! Your SATs results are incredible; the summer performance was incredible and Leavers' day was memorable. I am so proud of you all. Have a fantastic summer.

Miss Keedwell



Sporting Achievements this year.



Don't forget to tell us about your out of school achievements. Email Mrs Baynham-Hughes on

Sbaynham-hughes@st-annes.walsall.sch.uk

Sportsperson of the Year
George Cooper

Thank you to the incredible Mrs Baynham-Hughes who has led a wonderful campaign to help us to achieve Platinum status. This is the first time that we have achieved this level of sporting participation and it truly is an incredible achievement for such a small school. It has involved many woman hours - thank you so very much.



Based on the gospel for Sunday 19 July, Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Matthew 13:24-43

"An enemy has done this."

I may not know many people I could call 'enemy' but, as I read, there exist Christians all around the world for whom the living out of their faith is fraught with many difficulties, if not outright danger.

Today, Jesus tells the parable of the sower who, having sown good seed into his field, discovers that an enemy has added weed seeds. The servants want to uproot the weeds but the master, fearing the damage that might be done, tells his servants to let both grow together until the harvest.

It is difficult to live side by side with those who disagree, ridicule or are openly hostile to me, to my belief or my way of living. It can be very difficult to discern the way forward, but I am called to be leaven in the dough of my life, having a quiet effect on all around me. I am asked, today, to stand faithful, quietly growing, maturing and bearing fruit.

In what ways do I encourage the downtrodden while limiting the influence of the oppressor? How do I hold onto my trust in the Kingdom Jesus is talking about? How do I have hope in something which can often feel as small as a mustard seed?

Divine Sower,
your Kingdom is something beyond us, but you will gather all
at the end, sifting out what belongs to your barn. Help me,
even now, in this world of conflicting forces and divided
loyalties, to reflect your radiance.
Amen.