



HEADLINES

	September
19 th	Family Parish Mass @ 6pm Welcome to St Anne's Mass for Reception and Nursery.
22 nd	Y5 Mass @ Church arrive @ 8:45am
23 rd	Y6 Mass in school hall @ 9am Play leader training Y6 Library visit remember your card Y5/6 Boys Football V Bloxwich home @ 3:40pm
25 th	EYFS Meet the Teacher Reception @ 2:45pm. 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
28 th	Y1/Y2 Enrichment Day Y5/6 Boys Football V Delves @ home 3:40pm
29 th	Y4 Mass @ Church arrive @ 8:45am
30 th	Y4 Mass celebrating FHC followed by Corpus Christi Procession. Y5 Library visit remember your card
	October
1 st	National Poetry Day for all year groups. 6pm Curriculum Committee in school (governors) to include pupil voice from Y5 and Y6.
2 nd	INSET School Closed to pupils
3 rd	Servers Mass @ St Chad's Cathedral GIFT/CARITAS/MINI-VINNIES family parish Mass @ 6pm
5 th	School photos individuals and siblings Y5/6 Girls Football v Delves @ Home 3:40pm
6 th	Y3 Mass @ Church arrive @ 8:45am
7 th	Y4 Library visit don't forget your card
8 th	Online Safety by Enlightened Street Teams
9 th	EYFS Meet the Teacher Nursery @ 2:45pm. Change of date!! Online Safety by Enlightened Street Teams
10 th	Family Parish Mass for Special Friends from Y6 and Reception meet your child's special friend and their families.
12 th	Flu Nasal Sprays for pupils Reception to Y6 Y5/6 Girls Premier League Bescot 12 -3pm
13 th	6pm @ Church meeting for Y6 parents Confirmation
14 th	Y5 residential @ Alton Castle to Friday 16 th October



The word is **Change**. Change can be frightening at times, but if we trust in God, we know that we can change for the better, as we grow closer to him.

Tuesday 22nd September Y5 Mass @ Church arrive at 8:45am.

Wednesday 23rd September Y6 Mass @ 9am in the school hall.



Headteacher Message

What a great week we've had, it is superb to see children fully settled into their new classes. Already, I am seeing some high-quality work being produced in all year groups. Our youngest pupils in Nursery are fully embracing the routines and are already confidently walking into school. Our pupils in Reception have now completed all their baseline assessments and they continue to fully embrace the play focussed philosophy of Reception.

In Year 1 they've been concentrating on their fine motor skills as they prepare for their next steps in learning. This year, we've extended our enhanced provision in Year 1, totally refurbishing and furnishing the courtyard area outside Year 1, the children absolutely love it. In Year 2 we are continuing to develop our colourful semantics approach to writing and the children are producing some great work. Key Stage 2 children are producing high quality work, there is a strong focus on presentation and the children are incredibly proud of the work that they are producing. Well done everyone. This weekend, we welcome all our families in Nursery and Reception to our school/parish family. I hope that you will be able to join us for this wonderful celebration Mass. The Mass is a central part of the life of our school, please join us.

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Nursery We are so proud of how beautifully you have all settled into Nursery! It has been wonderful to see you greeting us each morning with your happy faces and growing in confidence each day. This week, the children have particularly loved exploring the bikes and balance boards, developing their confidence, coordination and physical skills. As part of our "All About Me" topic, we have talked about how **God made me** and enjoyed creating our own paper plate faces. We have also celebrated how we are all unique and different, talking about what makes each of us special.

Mr Johnston Mrs Lingwood and the Nursery Team

Reception At the end of our second full week together, I can see some true friendships developing and the children are having lots of fun playing together. They are learning to use the phrase 'please may I play with you' when they want to join others in play. The children are enjoying school dinners - especially the puddings and our roast chicken dinner on Wednesday's! The children are really getting into the swing of routines, rules and expectations, so next week sees the start of formal PE sessions on Thursday (please send PE bags if you haven't already done so) and Woodlands School on Friday (see information from our new parent pack in June for details about clothing). Don't forget our Welcome to St Anne's Family Mass on Saturday at 6pm.

Mrs Turley and the early years team.

Year 1. What another wonderful week in Year 1. We have worked brilliantly to complete 6 enhanced provision activities as well as working in our books and we still had some time for continuous provision! Super effort Year 1! The highlight this week was being able to use the outdoor water station! In English, we have been reading "The Colour Monster" which has been helping us to think about our own emotions. How does your child feel today? In R.E we have been thinking about the Creed prayer, can your child tell you about some visible things God created or can they tell you what their invisible superpower is that helps them to be like God? Thank you to everyone for sending in items from home to share in our class liturgy of thanks for God's creations.

Mrs McCabe, Mr Johnston & Y1 Team

Year 2 Well done for your hard work this week everyone! You are now becoming more confident with our new routines and activities in lessons. It has been great to see more of your writing this week as you have written some more sentences, using 'when' words to add more detail. Everyone enjoyed exploring different animals and their offspring in science and we learnt the names of some baby animals that we hadn't heard of before. In History, we have learnt about how the Great Fire of London spread- keep an eye out for your history topic homework next week. Have a great weekend.

Miss Regan

Year 3 A great week in Year 3. Some fantastic pieces of work this week in English and Maths and we have come up with some brilliant thought provoking answers in RE. We have continued to work hard on improving our presentation as well with some brilliant pieces of handwriting this week. Thank you to everyone that handed in their Reading Journal this week, there were some brilliant pieces of work and we managed to get up to 22 children handing in theirs. Can we beat this next week? We also had one Learn It's mover this week. Now that we are getting into the swing of things, will we have more next week?

Mrs Robinson and Mr Johnston

Year 4 Another fantastic week in Year 4, well done! We have enjoyed learning more about Roman and Celtic soldiers in History. In science, we looked at food chains and had a go at sorting different animals into the correct order for the food chain. We have been busy working with thousands in Maths and have partitioned numbers into thousands, hundreds, tens and ones. Please see Google Classroom for this week's homework. Have a great weekend!

Miss Jones

Year 5 It's been another very busy week in Year 5. First off, well done for all your hard work at home so far. I have been very impressive with efforts with reading journals and spellings so far and I have loved seeing some of your Viking topic work coming in already. From this week, I want us to get back in the habit with TTRS - some of our times tables are a bit rusty so please get back on to 'Soundcheck' and 'Jamming' modes so that you can wake up some of those forgotten facts. We have made a great start with our new class book 'Viking Boy' and I look forward to following Gunnar's adventures with you over the next few weeks. Have a great weekend.

Mr Caddick

Year 6 A very busy week with lots of discussion, written work and reasoning. As you have seen this week - we have a lot of work to cover, and we need to be efficient in recording and getting tasks finished. I was so impressed with your mature answers in both Science and History so I know you will be able to produce some great quality work. Thank you for your reading journals this week - fantastic quality work, a great range of books and beautifully presented. Next week we are visiting the library on Wednesday so do not forget your library card and I will be putting the music link on the website so you can start learning the songs for our Christmas Concert at Walsall Arena on 26th November. Have a great weekend.

Miss Keedwell

Headteacher Awards

Nursery:	Moska & Aadhya
Reception:	Sophia L & Ada
Year 1:	Reuben & Erin
Year 2:	Charlie & Connie
Year 3:	Eadie & George
Year 4:	Darcie & Kaylon
Year 5:	Tyler & Emilia
Year 6:	Jimmy & Joseph

Congratulations everyone, certificates will be awarded during Monday assembly.

Learn Its Movers

Year 2: Amber & Rae

Year 3: Namrita

Year 4: Ella, Ruby, Nora & Spencer



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

PE and School Sport Reminder

Children should come to school wearing plain black PE shorts/joggers, white St Anne's PE t-shirt and a plain black jacket/hoody.

PE Timetable for classes

Y1	Wednesday and Friday
Y2	Monday and Thursday
Y3	Tuesday and Thursday
Y4	Monday and Wednesday
Y5	Monday and Wednesday
Y6	Thursday and Friday

After school club emails have now started to come out so please check and register for your child's place on Arbor. Fixtures are also being arranged for the Walsall Football League, the newsletter will be updated in due course.

Sports Awards

Y2 Rory - his super progress has meant that Rory has moved up a group in swimming

Y5 Honor - scored 7 goals in her game for Walsall over the weekend.

Y6 Lilly - has been awarded her Merit certificate and Gold Award in Street Dance and Hip Hop

Sports Personality of the Week

Dottie (Y1) for caring for her friend when they had hurt themselves during lunchtime.

Sports Clubs Next Week

Dance for KS1 and KS2

Leicester Tiger Tag Rugby Y3/Y4

Places are still available - please sign up on Arbor

Football Fixtures Next Week

Please check emails as the football fixture emails are starting to be sent.

Next week we have the Y5/Y6 Boys vs Bloxwich (Home)



Based on the gospel for Sunday 20 September, Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time:
Matthew 20:1-16

"You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you."

Who decides what is fair or unjust? Pope Leo XIV reminds us that a truly just society recognises the dignity of every human life. Who was respected in this parable? Let's think about those labourers who found that the others had been paid as much as they had, even though they had toiled all day. Of course it didn't feel fair to them and we can probably identify with that. Yet they earned what they had been promised.

Do we even spare a thought for the people who seem to have had it easier, but stood in the market square all day? They had the heat of the sun beating down on them, the despair of not getting a job or earning money to feed their families or simply stay alive, and the ignominy of not being chosen.

Might we stop to think why they weren't chosen? Who are those today who find it hard to find work, or who work but are paid unjustly? What about the homeless on the street, those who don't have access to basic hygiene, fresh clothing, or the means to prepare for job interviews? That really does not seem fair!

Who decides what is fair and what we deserve? The answer is very clear in this parable: God loves us all. He wants the best for each of us and desires to be generous to us, while teaching us to be generous to one another. We thank God for all who are working tirelessly to end poverty and injustice, and to create a world where the dignity of everyone is protected and all are treated fairly.

We thank you, just and merciful God, that you love each one of us unconditionally. We pray to put aside earthly perceptions of what is fair and tune into you, Lord, who shows us how to love each other generously and value each other's dignity. Amen.



The gift of living water

Discover how a child's unexpected answer to a common question offers a powerful lesson on caring for our common home this Season of Creation in our new blog.

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This half term our Catholic Social Teaching focus is:

Caring for God's gifts

Stewardship

Sofia the sloth's story



Sofia often sleeps in her favourite tree within a National Park forest.

One day a big machine woke her up and started chopping down the trees. She joins some of the others who call the forest home, to stop the illegal logging.

She reminds the operators that these trees need to be cared for like the rest of God's creation.

From Sofia's story we find out that we need to be caring for the many gifts that God has given to us. These include our environment, our own talents and other resources.

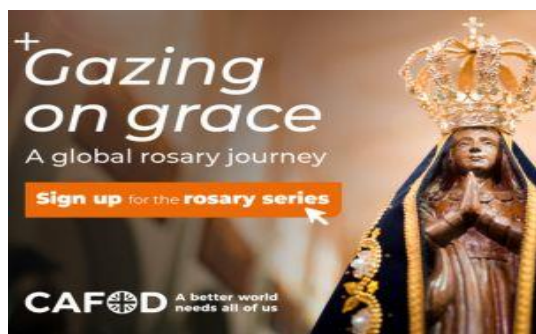
We are encouraging all of our children to think about ways in which we can protect the planet, be good stewards of our planet and ensure that there is a legacy for future generations.



Call for action on debt crisis

Sign our petition and call on the UK government to use its G20 presidency to fix the debt system.

	Sign the petition	
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Gazing on grace

This October, join CAFOD for *Gazing on grace*: a weekly rosary series featuring images of Mary from across our global family.

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We have two vacancies on school:

**Lunchtime supervisor Monday to Friday
12:00pm to 1:30pm**

After school club 3:00pm to 5:00pm

**Please ring the school office on 0121 353
5114 for an application pack and
information.**

Lost Property

We have an Adidas Boxing Hoodie (black), looks brand new with no name on the label, please contact Mrs Miller if this belongs to your child.

We have a 7-8 year old black waterproof jacket, which has the name Harry R on the label, please contact Mrs Miller if it belongs to your child.

We are trying to live simply, to reunite property with the owners.