

Reception Newsletter – Friday 19th June 2026

Father's Day

This week the children have been busy doing a variety of 'secret things' in class to surprise their dads for Father's Day on Sunday. They are all bringing home lots of things to say 'thank you' to their dads and 'I love you'. We hope you enjoy a wonderful day.

Phonics – Level 3

This week Miss Jan & Miss Khan led the review of our Level 3 sounds - '**oi (boil)**', & '**ow (cow)**'. The children are becoming more confident at writing words using these sounds including thinking carefully about their handwriting. Please use your child's sound books to review these sounds and the front pages of their reading books. You might want to play the games on www.phonicsplay.co.uk using the school login to help your child practice reading words using these sounds or want to do the dictation challenges using these sounds to help reinforce them.

The tricky word for this week was '**here**'. The tricky part is the 'ere' that makes an 'ear' sound. We've focused on reading and writing it independently.

Goodbye

Today we said a fond farewell to Miss Jan and Miss Khan who have been with the children since March. They've played a big part in developing the children's Mathematic skills, Phonic knowledge and writing ability. I'm sure you'll joining me in wishing them the best of luck in their future teaching careers.

Sports Day

Didn't the children do well? I am so very proud of everyone's behaviour, efforts and attitudes throughout our Sports Day. I'm sure you'll agree it was a wonderful morning of sporting achievements along with a special picnic lunch with your family. I know the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves – thank you for supporting this special day.

Please return PE kits to school so we can continue our Thursday's PE lessons. Next year in Year 1, the children will then come to school in their PE kits on PE days – you will be informed of these in September.

General

There are a few jumpers and cardigans without names or names that have faded and very difficult to read. As you can imagine, in this weather children often take their jumpers off, but it becomes very difficult to match clothing to the child. If it is named, then children read the names of uniform they find by themselves and return it to the correct child.

Dates for your Diary

Saturday 20th June – Y3's First Holy Communion. Please keep them in your prayers

Monday 22nd June – EYFS Online Safety Workshop for Parents & Children at 2pm

Wednesday 24th June – Whole School Thanksgiving Mass for Y3 followed by Corpus Christ procession (Reception will not take part in this procession)

Friday 26th June – Bottle Mufti for PTA Garden Party. Please send in an alcoholic bottle for our Summer Garden Party Bottle Tombola

Friday 26th June - Woodlands School

Monday 29th June – St Peter & St Paul Feast Whole School Mass at Church for 10am. Children should come to school as normal

Friday 3rd July – Sweet Jar Mufti Day. Please decorate a cleaned empty jar (jam jar, coffee jar, etc) and fill with sweets. They will be part of the sweet jar tombola at the Garden Party

Friday 3rd July - Woodlands School

Saturday 4th July – PTA Summer Garden Party. Open Air Mass at 12pm to start the afternoon with a return of our successful colour run. If you can support in any way, please let me know – donating a raffle prize from your place of work, helping to run a stall (even for 1 hour) or even helping to set up / tidy away at the end of the day

Tuesday 7th July – Reception & Y6 Mass at church. Please take the children directly to church for 8.45am. We ask that you do not leave your child until staff arrive.

Thursday 9th July – iRock concert at 9.15am

Saturday 11th July – our final Reception & Y6 Family Mass at church for 6pm. It would be wonderful if everyone could attend to celebrate Y6's time at St Anne's and to celebrate the special relationships that have developed this year.

Happy Father's Day to all the dads, Grandads and special men in the children's lives