

20th June 2013



Newsletter



Growing Together to Flourish in God's World

Staffing Update

First of all we would like to thank parents for their patience as we have had some unavoidable staff changes this year. Mrs Allen is currently still recuperating from a serious break in her leg after a skiing accident. We hope she will be back before the end of the year. Miss Hill is covering her absence at the moment. Mrs Felstead has taken over Y3 until the end of the year.

At the end of the year Mrs Felstead will be leaving us as she has been successful in gaining a promotion at Christ Church Primary School in Denshaw. Mrs Felstead has been at St Anne's for five years and has led PE during that time. As you know, St Anne's is now firmly on the sporting map! We wish her all the very best in the future.

In September, Miss Emma Dunn will be joining the teaching team. She is currently teaching at Broadfield Primary School and, as a former St Anne's pupil herself, she is looking forward to becoming part of our school.

We will also be joined by Miss Aleya Begum who will be working as a Learning Mentor across the school.

Sporting Success

St Anne's goes from strength to strength with our sporting teams. On Saturday 15th June our boys' football team was chosen to represent Royton and Shaw in Oldham Borough Games. Not only that, we won! It was a tiring but fantastic day where the boys played brilliantly and parents were proud. Special thanks go to Miss Hurst and Mr Squibbs for their time on the day and their ongoing commitment and expertise that they give to our football team. Well done!



A lot going on...!



Over the past few weeks we have been taking part in a wide variety of activities. Diane Shaw, an author, visited Mrs Snape's and Miss Walker's classes and the children enjoyed listening to her stories and hopefully inspired them to write. Quite a few of our classes have been to Gallery Oldham to work on the 'Worn to be Wild' exhibition. Some lovely art work has been produced. Y6 had a successful visit to York and enjoyed trips to York Minster and down in the dungeons! Y5s went to The Radclyffe School to compete against other schools in athletics and returned with plenty of medals. The children have enjoyed these activities and represented our school brilliantly.



Awards Ceremony



Our annual Awards Ceremony will be on Friday 5th July at 9.15pm in church. Parents of children receiving awards will be sent an invitation soon.

Industrial Action



Just a reminder that the school will be partially open on **Thursday 27th June** due industrial action being taken by members of the NUT and NASUWT.

The school will be open to all Y3 only as they will be attending the Bridgewater Hall for the 'Come and Play' event. The school will be closed to other year groups.

We apologise for any inconvenience caused. A letter will be sent to Y3 parents about arrangements for the day.

Healthy Lunch Boxes



Ecomaniacs are encouraging children to have healthy lunchboxes at Lunch time.

For the lunchbox to be healthy, the Ecomaniacs have decided (after much discussion!!) that there needs to be no crisps, no sweets, no fizzy drinks and only one small chocolate bar/biscuit or cake!

Each child with a healthy lunch box will be given a sticker by the Dinner time staff or one of the Ecomaniacs. When they have ten stickers, they will be rewarded by having their lunch on a 'party table' The children have been given a sticker chart which they need to put their stickers onto. Once they have ten stickers, they will need to let the Dinner time staff or a member of the Ecomaniacs know and we will arrange a day for them to sit on the party table.

May we thank-you in advance for your assistance with providing your child with a healthy packed lunch.

Why not visit <http://www.nhs.uk/Change4Life/Pages/healthy-lunchbox-picnic.aspx> for some healthy ideas for packed lunches.



Attendance

As a whole school we work hard to ensure attendance is high and punctuality is excellent. Our attendance has been above the national average but more recently this has fallen. Attendance is affected by holidays taken in term time. As communicated in a previous newsletter, from September holidays during term time will not be authorized. This is due to a change in the law.



May we also remind you that it is your responsibility to ensure your child attends school each day on time. Late attendance disrupts and delays the start of learning for not only your child but the whole class. Please ensure that your child is in class **no later than 9am** each morning.

Our target for attendance is 96.5% and if we achieve this we will be above average. Currently our attendance figure is 95% and we hope to improve on this with your support.

Dates for your diary

28th June 2013 Class 4/5 School trip to Chatsworth House

1st July Sports Day

3rd July Moving up day

5th July Awards Ceremony

5th July Class 1/2 and Class 2 Teddy Bears Picnic

9th July Yr 6 Show Dress Rehearsal

9th & 10th July Yr 6 Show (evening performances)

18th July Yr 6 Leavers service

19th July End of term Service

19th July School closes for the end of Summer Term

4th September School opens for the beginning of Autumn term

25th October Last day in School before we close for Half term

4th November School opens following Half term

20th December end of Autumn term

