

Don't forget
parents'
evening!
2nd & 9th March



Newsletter

20th January 2017

Growing Together to Flourish in God's World

Attendance - Reminders

Education is a vital part of a child's development and as such the child's right to education should be protected. St Anne's CE (Aided) Primary School takes a strong line in this respect and relies on the support of parents to ensure that attendance is as high as possible. Good attendance ensures children benefit fully from their education and achieve well.



School starts promptly at 9am and ends at 3.15pm. If children arrive late or are collected early from school vital learning time can be lost. So we hope you support us in our commitment to Oldham Education and Skills Commission's vision for all children to be 'School Ready', 'Work Ready' and 'Life Ready'. Through excellent punctuality children also learn a valuable life skill for their adult life.

In September 2013 legislation came into force meaning that term time holidays could no longer be authorised. Term time holidays will result in unauthorised absences being recorded for each day of absence from school. This could result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued by the Local Authority. A full list of our term dates can be found on our website.



Medical appointments during the school day can also have a negative effect your child's attendance. We politely request that you book routine medical appointments out of school hours or during the school holidays. If an appointment is needed during school hours please provide an appointment card or letter to the school office so that we can record it accordingly (otherwise the absence will be recorded as an unauthorised absence).

If your child is absent from school due to sickness **please telephone school or log the absence on the Parentmail app for each day of absence before 9am**. Please don't pass verbal messages though staff at the classroom door as teachers will not be able to relay the message to the school office in time due to their teaching commitments.

Although we are not legally obliged to do so, we can administer non-prescribed medication (e.g. calpol) if your child is feeling a little under the weather but you feel that they could manage the school day. We will need your permission to do this and a form is available from the school office. ALL Medication (including throat lozenges) must be brought to the office to be stored safely and securely.

We continuously monitor attendance and thank you in advance for your continued support.

Parent's Evening

This term we will be holding our main Parent's Evening over two nights: 2nd March and 9th March. Hopefully this will offer more flexibility for you. We will also be using a new booking system via Parentmail. More details will follow on how to do this. Traditional methods can still be used if you prefer with the option of booking appointments directly with classteachers or through the school office. Please save the dates!

Weekly attendance

The whole school attendance for WE 20/01/17 was 96.12%. This means that this week's attendance was below our target of 96.5%. Please keep aiming high everyone! Thank you for your continued support.

This week the attendance league table is as follows:

- 1st – Mrs Ali's class (Orange) with 97.8%
- 2nd – Mrs Martin's class (Purple) with 97.2%
- 3rd – Miss Walker's class (Turquoise) with 96.8%



Each school day is 6 hrs. This week 1.75 hours of education were missed due to routine medical appointments, 3.58 hrs to specialist appointments (hospital etc) and 7.83 hours due to lateness. We need your help to continue to reduce these figures. Thank you.

New Team Member

After many years here at St Anne's, Mr Beswick (Premises Manager) will be retiring in February. He has been a key part of St Anne's and we wish him well. We have appointed his successor who is currently working with Mr Beswick.



We now have Mr Acton who has many years' experience as a caretaker, fireman and the Mayor's chauffeur. We welcome him to the team.



Valentine's Disco & Non-Uniform Day

Friday 3rd February 2017 from 3.30pm to 5.00pm

Ticket Price: £2.00

Our new look discos for 2017 have changed so now they will be straight after school.

Ticket sales are limited to first come, first served basis due to fire regulations for the school hall. You can buy these from the school office and they must be purchased before the disco.



If your child wishes to come to the disco, they will be taken to the school hall by their teacher and then you will be able to collect him/her from their **classroom door at 5.00pm.**

If you have a child in Nursery, you can drop them off at the school office at **3.30pm** and collect them from

Reception class door at 5.00pm.

As usual, there will be drinks, hotdogs, sweets and disco items to buy. Please send your child's spending money in a sealed, named envelope. This will be kept safe by the class teacher. Please keep the amount to a **maximum of £2.50 for KS1 (infants) and £5 for KS2 (juniors).** This will reduce the risk of children losing their change.

*On the day, **all** children in school can come in non-uniform. This will save the children, who will be attending the disco, having to get changed and it will also reduce the risk of any lost items. Boogie, boogie!*

Fundraising for the NSPCC

The children have enjoyed an informative assembly by the NSPCC. They helped our children understand how they can keep safe and to talk to a trusted adult about any worries they have.

In return we have agreed to raise funds for the NSPCC. Your child has brought home a sponsor form for a maths challenge they will complete in school. All you need to do is support your child in safely collecting as many sponsors as possible. Sponsor money can then be collected and returned to school by Tuesday 31st January. There's more information for parents on the sponsor form but please ask if you need anything clarifying.

Thank you once again for your kindness.



St Anne's Nursery Places: 15 hours Free Education

Will your child be 4 years old between 1st Sept and 31st Aug? Would you like a place in our Nursery? We offer high quality education from 9am-12pm Monday to Friday. We have a fully qualified, experienced teacher and a Level 3 Teaching Assistant. Children make excellent progress and leave the Nursery ready for Reception. Places will be allocated soon for September 2017. Please call 0161 624 9885 for more details.

Time to Talk



In our assemblies each week we discuss and take time to think about different topics. These link with our Christian values. This week we talked about :

Give me patience....Now!

To achieve our goals we need to stay focussed and do everything in manageable steps.

Talk: Think about your goals and targets. How long will it take you to achieve them? Can you achieve some quicker than others?

Collective Worship is very much a part of our corporate life together. It provides an important contribution to the spiritual, moral and general development of each pupil and celebrates the ongoing life of the school through the recognition of individual achievement in our weekly "Good Work Assemblies", successes and events. The sense of community of the school is reflected within the collective worship and within the links with our Church congregation. We warmly welcome families to assemblies where their children are performing or receiving awards.



Have you recently changed your mobile contract? Changed jobs? Changed home telephone provider? Moved? Please ensure you have updated the school with any changes to your contact details. Thank you.




School Uniform Policy

The school uniform has been agreed by governors in consultation with parents. It is attractive, practical and reasonably priced. Red Jumpers and Cardigans, bearing the school name and logo can be obtained from Monkhouses in Oldham and Rochdale. We also offer a service via the internet School Trends www.stparents.co.uk in order to offer a choice of providers. Tesco also provide a service to embroider our logo onto to their range of uniform.

Visit <http://www.tesco.com/direct/st-anne-s-cofe-aided-primary-school/6852.school> for more details.


White shirt or polo shirt
V-neck sweatshirt/jumper or cardigan

*Golden Promise badge 
*School Tie

**only available from school*

Grey trousers or shorts
Grey skirt or pinafore
(Summer uniform - red and white gingham dress, if preferred)
White, red or grey socks/tights

Black shoes



Children should wear **sensible** socks and shoes - **not "fashion footwear" or trainers**. Children can wear small stud earrings which must be removed for PE and swimming for health and safety reasons. No other jewellery is allowed.

P.E. Kit

Red polo shirt
Black shorts/skirt
Black pumps



Key Stage 2 only

Swimming kit:

Trunks or swimshorts (shorts must be lined and be no longer than mid-thigh)

1 piece costume (close fitting leotards and footless tights may also be worn where normal swimwear is not appropriate for religious/cultural reasons)

Further swimming guidelines are given to parents before lessons commence.

A pump bag bearing the school logo can be purchased from the School Trends website.

Please remember to label every item of your child's clothing.



Please find below the list of class assemblies for the Spring Term . Parents and Carers are warmly invited to join us.

Class Assembly: Purple	Mrs Martin	<u>09:15</u>	18/01/2017
Class Assembly: Turquoise	Miss Walker	<u>09:15</u>	25/01/2017
Class Assembly: Lilac	Miss Dunn	<u>09:15</u>	01/02/2017
Class Assembly: Lime	Mrs Hayman/Mr Bennett	<u>09:15</u>	08/02/2017
Class Assembly: Orange	Mrs Ali	<u>09:15</u>	01/03/2017
Class Assembly: Blue	Mrs Snape	<u>09:15</u>	08/03/2017
Class Assembly: Green	Mr Gooding	<u>09:15</u>	15/03/2017
Class Assembly: Yellow	Mrs Evans	<u>09:15</u>	22/03/2017



Please can we please remind all parents/carers that dogs (except guide dogs) are not to be brought on to school premises?
There is a legal duty to clean up any mess your dog leaves behind!
Please support us in keeping our children safe.

Primary School Application for 2017

If you have a child that is due to start reception in September 2017 and have completed your online application via the Oldham Council website You will be informed of which school your child has been offered by email and you will receive this before 12 noon on 18th April 2017.

If you do not receive an email by 12 noon, please check for the email in your junk/spam folder before contacting the Admissions Team at Oldham Council (phone 0161 770 4213). You will also be able to log back into your account. Please ensure that you have kept a note of your username, password, security question and answer to access your account.

The school office will not be able to inform you of which school your child has been offered.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Event	Class	Time	Date/Days
Class Assembly: Turquoise	Miss Walker	09:15	25/01/2017
Class Assembly: Lilac	Miss Dunn	09:15	01/02/2017
PTA Valentines Disco		15:15	03/02/2017
Class Assembly: Lime	Mrs Hayman/Mr Bennett	09:15	08/02/2017
Half Term:	All		<u>Monday 13th – Friday 17th February 2017 (inclusive)</u>
PTA Sponsored Pancake Toss			<u>28/02/2017</u>
Class Assembly: Lime	Mrs Ali	09:15	01/03/2017
PTA Meeting 6.30pm Mother's Room	All Welcome		07/03/2017
Class Assembly: Blue	Mrs Snape	09:15	08/03/2017
Class Assembly: Green	Mr Gooding	09:15	15/03/2017
PTA Secret Mothers Day Gift	AM in school		21/03/2017
Class Assembly: Yellow	Mrs Evans	09:15	22/03/2017
Robinwood Residential Trip	Confirmed places		22/03/2017-24/03/17
Class Photo - Photographer in school	All		04/04/2017
Holy Week Service in church	All welcome		07/04/2017
<u>Spring Term Ends:</u>			<u>Friday 7th April 2017</u>
<u>Summer Term Begins:</u>	All		<u>18/04/2017</u>
Bags 2 School collection TBC			<u>21/04/2017</u>
<u>May Day Bank Holiday: School closed</u>	All		<u>01/05/2017</u>

The above dates and times and events may on occasion need to be amended. It is regrettable and we will aim to give you as much notice as possible in the event of any change.