



Newsletter

12th May 2017

Growing Together to Flourish in God's World

Weekly attendance

The whole school attendance for WE 12/05/17 was 97.17%. This means that this week's attendance was above our target of 96.5%. Well done. Thank you for your continued support.

This week the attendance league table is as follows:

Position	Class	Attendance this week
Joint 1st	Mrs Evans	100.00
Joint 1st	Mrs Martin	100.00
2nd	Mrs Marshall	98.53
3rd	Mr Gooding	97.42
4th	Mrs Ali	97.42
5th	Mr Bennett and Mrs Hayman	96.88
6th	Miss Dunn	96.55
7th	Mrs Snape	95.67
8th	Miss Shaikh	94.83
9th	Mrs Mitchell	90.00

Attending school late or leaving school during the day for appointments, not only disrupts the learning of the individual child but that of the other children in their class.

This week we have lost **1 1/2** hours learning to routine appointments, and **3.42** hours learning to late attendance. This is a fantastic improvement please help us to keep it up.

So far this year we have lost the equivalent of **43.16** days learning to routine appointments, **35.2** days learning to late attendance.

Please remember to log any absences either through the absence line 0161 624 9885 or via the parentmail app, make sure your child attends school on time every day and to make routine appointments outside of school hours or in the school holidays.

PTA Secret Father's Day Service



Please remember to place your orders for Secret Father's Day gifts by **12th June 2017**. Payment can be made for gifts by Parentmail. If you are not already registered for Parentmail please see the office who can help you with this.

If you are able to help the PTA on the day please contact the office on 0161 624 9885. Thank you.

Time to Talk



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

- people who are left out.

Talk: What could you do if you see someone being left out?

REQM Success

We are very pleased to share yet another fantastic achievement in our school. We were recently assessed by REQM (RE Quality Mark) who came to school to observe children's work and to speak to the children and staff about RE in our school. As a result we were awarded **Gold**: the highest standard.



The children said:

"RE in this school is awesome." (Y4 boy)

"There have been questions about different faiths that I haven't understood, but now that I have had the chance to ask questions I have a deeper understanding of faith and religions." (Y5 girl)

"RE makes the world a better place. It stops us falling out!" (Y3 boy)

The assessor described our school, and Mrs Evans (our RE Leader), as:

"...a vibrant C of E Primary school where RE is valued by all stakeholders including parents, staff and governors. The coordinator is passionate about quality RE and is well supported by a dedicated and committed senior team. RE is seen as being at the heart of the school and is a core priority in the school improvement plan. A key aim of this plan is to empower children, giving them opportunity to participate, take ownership of their learning and give them a real voice in evaluating and planning activities."

RE is a key part of what we offer as an outstanding Church of England Primary School and we thank you all again for your support in making our school so brilliant!




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.

**Did you know ... just registering your child for Free School Meals means that the school gets extra money?
Register now to make sure we don't miss out**

Currently school meals cost **£10.50** per week and we offer a wide range of choices which provide a healthy meal for the children.

Universal free school meals

From September 2014, all children in reception, year 1 and year 2 in state-funded schools in England are eligible for free school meals.

Do you qualify?

You can apply for free school meals if:

1) Your child attends a school maintained by a local education authority and you and your child live in the Oldham borough. (If you do not live in Oldham and your child attends a local authority maintained school in Oldham please contact your local council for advice).

2) You receive any of the following:

- Income Support (IS)
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance (IBJSA)
- An income-related employment and support allowance
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit (provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit) and have an annual income (as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs) that does not exceed the current year's level
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit during the four-week period immediately after your employment finished, or after you start to work less than 16 hours per week.



Additionally:

You, as the parent or guardian, must Receive Child Benefit for the child you are responsible for.

Children who receive IS or IBJSA in their own right are also entitled to receive free school meals.

Children who receive "education suitable for children who have not attained compulsory school age" will still need to satisfy the additional requirement of "receiving education both before and after the lunch period", before being eligible to receive free school meals.

If your or your child's circumstances change free school meals may be withdrawn, the most common reasons include:

- The parent or guardian ceases to receive a qualifying benefit
- The child leaves school
- The family move out of the borough
- The child goes onto packed lunches (long term)
- The child is absent from school for a long period of time

All changes of circumstance must be reported by the claimant (schools can also report changes of circumstance).

All your school communications in one place



Parentmail

Since 1st April 2017 we are now cashless, this means that we no longer take cash payments or cheque payments through the school office. All payments for dinner money, school disco, Secret Santa/Mother's day/Father's Day, donations for school trips/pantomimes etc will need to be paid for through Parentmail or at a Paypoint store. This is possible when Parentmail can generate a barcode to pay at a Paypoint store.

We also use Parentmail for electronic permission for such things as school trips, registering for after school clubs and booking appointments for Parents' Evening - so it is well worth registering.

If you are not currently registered for Parentmail and need registration details, or if you need another family member to register (i.e. Spouse/Grandparents etc) or have any questions then please do not hesitate to contact the school office who will be happy to help.

Term Time Holidays

In September 2013 new legislation on school attendance came into force. This was to ensure that all pupils attend school regularly and to challenge the expectation that 10 days can be authorised for term time holidays. The amendment to the law stated that 'if children are taken away for a two week holiday every year and have an average number of days off for sickness and appointments, then by the time they leave school at sixteen they will have missed a year of school'. This is obviously detrimental to a child's academic achievement. Good attendance ensures children benefit from education and achieve their full potential. At St Anne's we do not authorised term time holidays for legal aged school children. In accordance with the Local Authority Attendance Policy, school will refer for a Fixed Penalty Notice fine for unauthorised holidays of 5 days or more.

Since September 2013 Medical appointments count as an authorised absence **when medical evidence is provided** (if no medical evidence is provided they will be marked as unauthorised absence) Medical appointments during school time mean that your child will not receive the 100% attendance award.

There is no entitlement for parents to take children out of school for term time holidays.

From September 2013 in line with the law we do not authorise term time holidays.

Requests may still be made for an absence in 'exceptional circumstances' and these will continue to be assessed 'case by case' by our Governing Body.


A full list of our holiday dates can be found on our website https:

www.stannesroyton.oldham.sch.uk/school-calendar-for-the-academic-year-2016-2017

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PLEASE DO NOT REFER TO ANY OTHER WEBSITE THAN OUR OWN as the dates on other websites may be wrong.



 remember to follow us on Twitter: @StAnnesRoyton – we also have a live twitter feed showing on our website for anyone that does not have a Twitter account

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Event	Class	Time		Date/Days
Class assembly : Turquoise Mrs Marshall	Turquoise class Mrs Marshall	<u>09:15</u>		<u>17/05/2017</u>
<u>PTA Disco</u>		<u>15:15</u>		<u>19/05/2017</u>
Class assembly : Lilac Miss Dunn	Lilac class Miss Dunn	<u>09:15</u>	Parents/Carers are warmly welcome to attend.	<u>24/05/2017</u>
<u>Half Term:</u>				<u>Monday 29th May – Friday 9th June – (inclusive please note this is 2 weeks)</u>
PTA Meeting 6.30pm Mother's Room	All Welcome			13/06/2017
PTA Secret Fathers Day Service	AM in school			13/06/2017
Blue Class - Blackpool trip	Yr 2		<u>CANCELLED</u>	14/06/2017
Yr3/4 Schools linking project Castleshaw				14/06/2017
Yr6 Leavers Service Manchester Cathedral	Yr6			16/06/2017

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.

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.

