



Newsletter

12th January 2018

Growing Together to Flourish in God's World

Welcome back

We hope everyone had a restful holiday and have returned to school refreshed.

Please find below the list of term dates for St Anne's. May we please remind you to only check term dates on our website <http://www.stannesroyton.oldham.sch.uk/> as other websites may give the incorrect dates.

	School re-opens at 8:50	School closes at 15:15
Half term : Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February 2018 (inclusive)		Friday 9 th February 2018
Spring half term 2 begins	Monday 19 th February 2018	
Spring Term Ends:		Thursday 29 th March 2018
Summer Term Begins:	Monday 9 th April 2018	
Election Day: <u>School Closed</u> Thursday 3 rd May 2018		
May Day Bank Holiday: <u>School Closed</u> Monday 7 th May 2018		
Half Term Monday 28 th May - Friday 8 th June 2018 (inclusive - please note this is 2 weeks)		Friday 25 th May 2018
Summer half term 2 begins:	Monday 11 th June 2018	
Summer Term Ends:		Friday 20 th July 2018

The Children's Society

No child should feel alone

Thank you

The collections for the collection for the Children's Society that we carried out before Christmas raised £200. £200 was also collected at St Anne's Christingle Service making the total £400. Thank you so much for your generosity.



Parent Governor vacancy

We are currently seeking nominations to fill a vacancy for one parent to serve on the governing body at St Anne's for up to four years (term of office). If you would like more information please see the school office. Nominations need to be handed to school by no later than Friday 26th January 2018.

Class assemblies

Red Class - Mrs Williams	17 th January 2018 @ 9.15am
Yellow Class - Mrs Evans	24 th January 2018 @ 9.15am
Gold Class - Mrs Mitchell	31 st January 2018 @ 9.15am
Purple Class - Mrs Martin	7 th February 2018 @ 9.15am
Turquoise Class - Miss Cartwright	28 th February 2018 @ 9.15am
Lilac Class - Miss Barr	7 th March 2018 @ 9.15am
Lime Class - Mr Bennett & Mrs Hayman	14 th March 2018 @ 9.15am
Orange Class - Mr Ashworth	21 st March 2018 @ 9.15am
Blue Class - Mrs Snape	18 th April 2018 @ 9.15am
Green Class - Mr Gooding	25 th April 2018 @ 9.15am



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



Please be reminded that children should **not** wear makeup (including nail polish) or jewellery (other than plain stud earrings which need to be removed for PE and a watch). Please note we cannot be held responsible for any loss or damage of personal items brought in to school.

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.

Attendance

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 our attendance is as high as possible.

All pupils have a right to education. A child is of statutory school age between 5 and 16. Parents/carers have a legal responsibility to ensure their child attends regularly and punctually. If a child does not, parents/carers may be breaking the law.

If the school has concerns about a pupil being absent, or does not accept the explanation for an absence as genuine, the Headteacher or School Office staff will raise the matter with the Education Attendance Service.

At St Anne's we expect all children to have attendance that is classed as excellent. At St Anne's we use the following categories which are in line with the DFE guidelines:

Attendance recorded at 96.5% - Excellent

At St Anne's attendance at 96.5% or above is classed as regular attendance

Attendance recorded at 95.1-96.49% - Good

***Attendance recorded at 94.24-95.09% - Average**

***Attendance recorded at 94.23% and below –**

The DFE define attendance at 90% or below as Persistent Absence.

*Attendance categorised as 95.09% or below will require medical evidence to be provided to allow us to authorise the absence. Unauthorised absences and lates can lead to a penalty notice fine; which if unpaid could lead to prosecution.



What can you do to ensure your child is getting full access to the education they deserve?

- **Ensure your child attends school every single day possible** – Everyone feels a little under the weather from time to time and in most cases a little over the counter medication can help us through the day. Although we are not legal obliged to do so, at St Anne's we will administer over the counter medications such as Calpol, cough medicine, Ibuprofen etc to your child on your behalf. Just bring the medication in to the school office (please do not send it in with your child), fill out an authorisation form (available from the office and the school website) and we will sort the rest. If your child is really unwell during the day we will call you.



- **Make sure your child attends school on time every day** - Doors close at 9am promptly so please make sure you arrive in enough time for your child to enter school before this. If your child is late please ensure that you report to the main reception in the Juniors. This is to ensure your child's attendance has been recorded on the fire register. Continuous late attendance can have an adverse effect on your child's overall attendance and this can lead to a fixed term penalty notice fine, which if goes unpaid could lead to prosecution.



Make all non-urgent appointments outside of school time or in the school holidays – Children should not be attending routine medical appointments (e.g. dentist, optician) during school time. For non-routine appointments, such as consultant appointments, we will record the absence as M (Medical) ONLY if we receive a copy of the appointment letter. Medical appointments do have an adverse affect on your child's attendance are a recorded as an absence.



- **Do not take your child on term time holidays** – A pupil's absence during term time can seriously disrupt their continuity of learning. Not only do they miss the teaching provided on the days they are away, they are also less prepared for subsequent lessons on their return. There is a consequent risk of underachievement. Parents / carers do not have a right to take their child out of school for a holiday during term time. As a result family holidays should be planned during the school holidays. As of September 2013 the School Governors agreed that, in line with the law, no holidays taken in term time would be authorised. 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. Taking holidays during term time leaves very little allowances for illness before a child's attendance becomes a major cause of concern.

Weekly attendance

The whole school attendance for this year was 98.10% which is fantastic!!! This means that this week's attendance was above our target of 96.5%. Thank you for your continued support.

This week the attendance league table is as follows:

Position	Class	Attendance this week (%)
1st	Miss Cartwright	99.71
2nd	Mrs Evans	99.67
3rd	Miss Barr	99.03
4th	Mr Gooding	98.67
5th	Mrs Mitchell	98.46
6th	Mrs Snape	98.00
7th	Mr Bennett & Mrs Hayman	97.74
8th	Mrs Williams	97.33
9th	Mr Ashworth	96.21
10th	Mrs Martin	96.18

So far this year the winner attendance is.....

Turquoise
Miss Cartwright

Please remember to let us know about 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.

	Appointments - Routine	Late
Equivalent Days lost this year	9.22	13.34

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Event	Class	Time	Date/Days
Class assembly	Red class (Mrs Williams)	09:15	17/01/2018
Class assembly	Yellow Class - Mrs Evans	09:15	24/01/2018
Class assembly	Gold Class - Mrs Mitchell	09:15	31/01/2018
Class assembly	Purple Class - Mrs Martin	09:15	07/02/2018
PTA Sponsored Pancake Toss	All	In school	07/02/2018
Half Term:			Monday 12th - Friday 16th February (inclusive)
Class assembly	Turquoise Class - Miss Cartwright	09:15	28/02/2018
PTA school disco - Book Character theme	Tickets only	15:30-17:00	06/03/2018
Class assembly	Lilac Class - Miss Barr	09:15	07/03/2018
PTA Secret Mothers Day Gift		In school	07/03/2018
Parent's Evening		Appointments only	07/03/2018
Class assembly	Lime Class - Mr Bennett & Mrs Hayman	09:15	14/03/2018
Parent's Evening		Appointments only	14/03/2018

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.

Please check that ALL personal items, including school uniform, have your child's name on. We are only able to reunite items with their owner if they are named. Thank you.