



St. Anne's

Newsletter



It is not enough to love children
they must know that they are loved



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Headteacher: Mrs C Martin

September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

A very warm welcome back to the new academic year. I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable summer break. It has been wonderful to see the children return refreshed, enthusiastic, and ready to learn, they have been truly fantastic this week, and it's a joy to have them back in school.

I'm really looking forward to the year ahead and I am confident that, together, we will continue to build on our successes. It promises to be a busy and exciting year, with plenty to look forward to. We remain committed to enhancing the children's experience at playtimes and to making St Anne's the very best it can be for your children.

We were fortunate to begin the year with a beautiful school Mass led by Fr Graham, which served as a meaningful reminder that Christ is at the heart of all we do, and that our mission is to serve the young.

It was lovely to see so many of you at the Meet the Teacher sessions. Your support is invaluable and plays a vital role in the life of our school. I have high expectations for our pupils, staff, and the school as a whole, and I truly appreciate your efforts in ensuring the children arrive on time and in the correct uniform. These small but important actions help set a positive tone for the year ahead.

Now, if only the rain would ease and the sun shine a little longer!

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Mrs Martin



Is your child starting school in
September 2026?

If your child was born between

1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022

They are eligible to start school in the next academic year. Please ensure that you have completed and returned an application form for the schools of your choice as soon as possible, available from the schools' offices or websites.

Online applications for a primary school place will open from 3rd November 2025 applications will need to be completed by 15th January 2026.

Please visit - www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions to access application form & more information on how to apply.

You can download the app ParentComms to your mobile device to receive notifications about your application. Once you have submitted your application you will receive a confirmation e-mail.

PLEASE NOTE - CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS IS 15th JANUARY 2026

Our New Prayer Garden

Our wonderful Mr Marek has thoughtfully created a beautiful new prayer garden, offering children a serene space where they can pause, reflect, and enjoy peaceful moments of prayer. Surrounded by nature and gentle stillness, the garden invites a sense of calm and encourages spiritual growth and mindfulness throughout the day.

THANK YOU

SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

You can start your online application any time from 1st September 2025, but you must have completed your application by 31st October 2025. We would suggest you submit your application by Friday, 24th October 2025 before the half-term holiday.

Please visit - www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions to access an application form.

You can download the app ParentComms to your mobile device to receive notifications about your application. Once you have submitted your application you will receive a confirmation e-mail.

PLEASE NOTE - CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS IS 31st OCTOBER 2025

To request a paper application form for either a primary or secondary school or for all other enquiries, you can call 0300 200 1004

School Tours for Prospective Parents

- Tuesday, 23rd September at 9:30am
- Tuesday, 7th October at 1:30pm
- Tuesday, 11th November at 1:30pm
- Tuesday, 25th Nov at 9:30 am

All prospective parents are very welcome. Please click on the link below to book a tour.

CLICK HERE





This is **WHO WE ARE**

*"It is not enough to love children,
they must know they are loved."*

Our Values



Respect



Kindness



Perseverance



Forgiveness



Inclusivity



Our Vision



*Rooted in Christ's love, we offer the highest quality education,
nurturing every child to grow in faith, learning, and character.*

*When they leave us, they do so as respectful, confident, and
resilient individuals, ready to thrive in today's world.*

Our Mission



*To ensure every member of our school community feels
loved, and we do this by putting Christ at the heart
and following our School Values.*

*We nurture
curiosity,
creativity, and a
love for learning in
every student.*



New School Caterer

School Uniform

The children all looked so smart on the first day wearing their school uniform that I think it is appropriate just to say a few words.

Wearing school uniform helps to develop the sense of community and the concept that we all belong to a special team which is, of course, the brilliant St. Anne's! So it really is important that the children wear their uniform correctly, whenever they are wearing it. The wrong message is being given if, as soon as school finishes, the wearing of school uniform becomes irrelevant and untidy. Can I remind parents that shirts/blouses must be tucked in please.

St. Anne's children are recognized wherever they go and I'd like to think this is because of their good manners and by how smart they look. Please, please do support us in this and insist that your child wears their uniform properly. It is crucial that we are all giving out the same message.

Just a gentle reminder that long hair must be tied back and hair accessories must be green and/or white only. Boys' hair must be short and tidy. No extreme hair cuts for boys or girls are allowed e.g. shaved head with hair on top. I would also be grateful if you could please ensure that coats are dark green, black, charcoal grey or navy.

We would like to introduce a partnership with label makers Stikins.



These labels can be ordered with your child's name on. They can then be used to label clothes, water bottles, lunchboxes etc.

If you use this link [Name Labels | Stick On School Name Labels | Stikins®](#) it should automatically include our school code, if it doesn't, we would be grateful if you could enter 18728 in the school code box, by doing this the school receive money from Stikins at no cost to you.

At Innovate, we believe that great food fuels great learning. Our new menu has been specially designed for primary school children - offering tasty, nutritious meals that support healthy growth, curious minds, and happy lunchtimes.

Parent Access to Book Meals <https://app.impactfood.co.uk>

Meals need to be ordered by Sunday for the following weeks lunches.

School Hours

	<u>Morning Session</u>	<u>Afternoon Session</u>
EYFS	8.35am-12.00noon	1.15pm-3.00pm
Year 1	8.35am-12.10pm	1.15pm-3.05pm
Year 2	8.35am-12.10pm	1.15pm-3.05pm
KS2	8.35am-12.10pm	1.15pm-3.15pm



Whole School Morning Break **10.30am-10.45pm**

School opens	8.35am
Gates Close	8.50am
Registration	8.55am

The staff are not on duty until **8.35am**, so no children should be left in the playground before this time.

Parents are only allowed to drive into school for the drop off zone in the mornings. There is no parking for parents during the rest of the school day

Please note - cycling or scootering is not permitted on the school grounds by adults or children.

Due to children with allergies, dogs are not allowed on the premises past the main school gates.

Mobile Telephones/Safeguarding



Can I remind you that the children must not bring mobile telephones into school unless there are exceptional reasons.

Should it be essential to have a mobile phone, the phone must then be handed in to the school office or to the class teacher in a small plastic bag and collected at the end of the school day.

Similarly if parents are on site we do ask, for safeguarding reasons, that you **do not use** your mobile phones on school premises.



Playground Zones

Exciting Playground Developments!

Last year, we began transforming our playground by introducing **zoned areas** - designated spaces designed to support different types of play and meet the varied interests and needs of our children.

Over the summer, we've made some exciting additions, and we are proud to share that we now have the beginnings of the following zones:

- **Imagination Zone:** This creative space includes a costume shed, a music wall and - coming soon - a performance stage for role play and storytelling.
- **Investigation Zone:** A hub for curious minds, featuring a mud kitchen, bug hotel and a ball run to encourage exploration and problem-solving.
- **Mindful Zone:** A calm and reflective area with places to sit and relax, as well as a space for arts and crafts.

These developments would not have been possible without the generosity of our school community. We extend our sincere thanks to **Mr Green, Mr Marek, and Miss Taylor**, who kindly volunteered their time to support me in building the new additions. We would also like to express our gratitude to all those who have generously donated items to enhance our playground.

At the end of the last academic year, we also installed new **playground markings** to enhance play and physical activity. A huge thank you to our Governors and all the parents who contribute to the Governor's Fund, your generosity directly makes these wonderful extras possible for the children. Thanks to your support, we were able to fund the new playground markings, which the children absolutely love. Your continued contributions truly help bring joy and enrichment to their school experience.

We are continuing to grow our playground and are currently looking for donations of the following items:

- Kitchen utensils suitable for the mud kitchen
- Dressing-up costumes for the imagination zone
- Arts and crafts equipment for the mindful zone
- Sporting equipment to support active play
- Board games and LEGO for quiet, collaborative play

We're also looking for volunteers who may be able to offer their time or skills.

In particular, we would love to build a sandpit - so if you can help, please get in touch!



Looking ahead, we are excited to develop our gardening area, where children will be able to grow plants and food. We are incredibly grateful to **Mrs Dawson**, who led our successful application to **Bupa**, and secured a grant to help fund this project. We also thank our new catering company for providing additional funding to support our goal of growing our own vegetables.

Thank you for your continued support in making our playground a vibrant, inclusive and inspiring space for all children.

Miss Green



Learning British Sign Language



This year, we are excited to introduce a new whole-school initiative: **British Sign Language (BSL) of the Day.**

Each day, children will learn a new sign as part of our commitment to promoting inclusivity, communication and awareness. Learning BSL helps children develop empathy, enhances their communication skills and supports a more inclusive environment for everyone.

We encourage you to ask your children about the sign they've learned each day - it is a great way to reinforce their learning and share in the experience together.

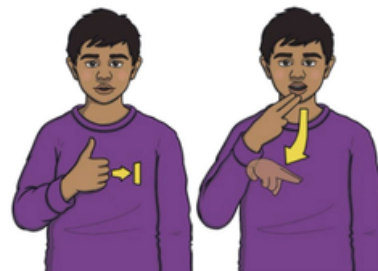
At the end of each month, we will include a selection of signs in the newsletter, so families can continue practising at home.

We look forward to seeing our school community grow in confidence and connection through this meaningful initiative.

Miss Green.

Good afternoon

Good night



Please

Thank you

Break time

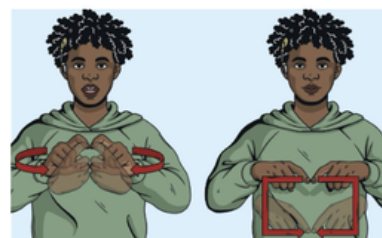
Lunch time



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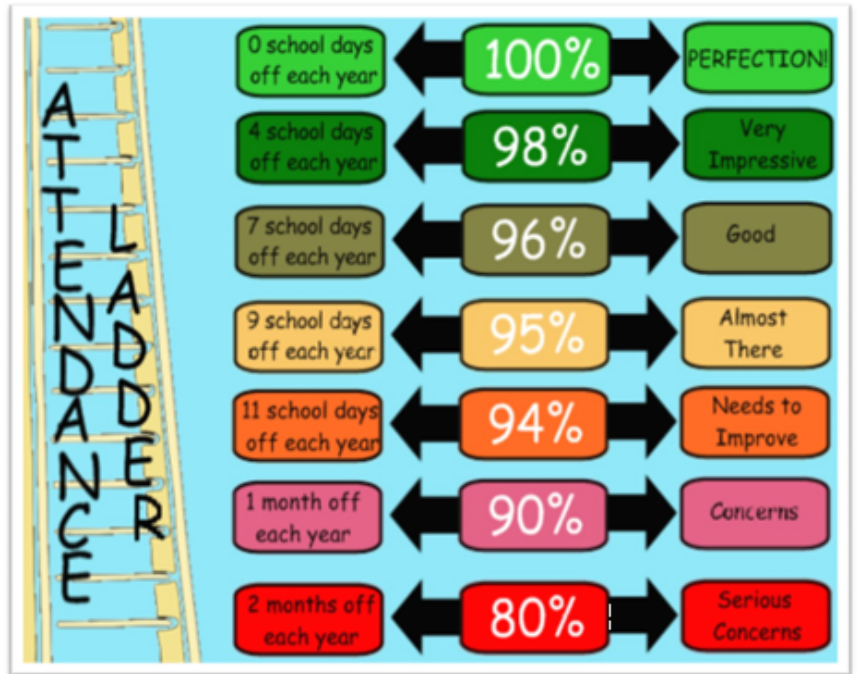
Classroom



Attendance - Penalty Notices

Just to remind parents/carers that if you take your children out of school without authority for 5 or more days (which do not have to be consecutive), then the following will apply:

1. If you have not incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children in a rolling 3 year period since 19 August 2024, then the penalty notice will be charged at the rate of £160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80.00 if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.
2. If you have incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children since 19 August 2024, the rolling 3 year period will be activated from the date of the first penalty notice and the second penalty notice will be charged at the flat rate of £160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days. There will be no reduction for payment within 21 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.
3. If you have incurred 2 penalty notices relating to this child/children in the rolling 3 year period since the first penalty notice was issued, then you will NOT receive a third penalty notice – Surrey County Council will have no option but to consider a prosecution, per parent/carer per child, in the Magistrates Court under s 444 Education Act 1996. Surrey County Council is not responsible for authorising pupil absence and therefore cannot withdraw any Penalty Notice requests without the written permission of the Headteacher.



Attendance

At St Anne's, we closely monitor attendance and are committed to working together to improve school attendance in line with the statutory guidance set out by the Department for Education. Regular attendance is crucial for academic progress and overall development. Data clearly shows a direct correlation between attendance levels and later educational outcomes.

We understand that absences are sometimes unavoidable and unforeseen; however, we actively encourage promoting good attendance. When a pupil's attendance falls below 94%, parents will receive a letter.

If a pupil's attendance is significantly lower than this, parents will be asked to support further absences with medical evidence. These letters are standard practice regardless of previous reasons for absence.

Pupils will now receive termly attendance awards by email. A gold award marks 100% attendance, a silver award is for 99%-98%, and a bronze award is for 98%-97%. Pupils who have excellent attendance at the end of the school year will receive a special treat.

We are here to support you and your child in achieving the best attendance possible. If you have any concerns or need assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

By working together, we can ensure pupils attend school regularly and benefit from their education.

Thank you for your cooperation and commitment to your child's education.

Together, we can make a positive difference!



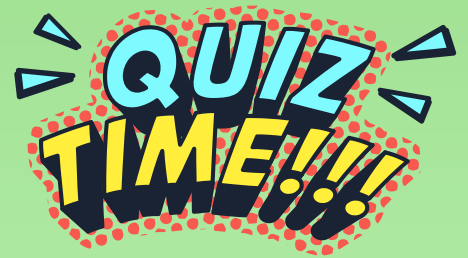


We hope you had a wonderful summer break. A very warm welcome to all the new families joining St Anne's this term. The **PFA** is looking forward to another fun packed year organising exciting events for the children and their families. Whether you're a long-standing parent or new to the school, there are lots of ways to get involved and we'd love to see as many of you as possible at our events.

We are currently a very small committee with a larger, but still small, group of regular volunteers. We will be holding our AGM on **Monday 6th October at 7pm in The Crown**. This is an opportunity to hear more about the PFA, what we've done over the past year and our plans going forward. If you are interested in getting involved, please join us.

Being a part of the **PFA** is a brilliant opportunity to meet other parents from all year groups.

Quiz Night – Friday 26th September



Our first event of the year sees the return of quiz hosts **Ms Dimech** and **Mr Rose** for a great evening of friendly competition, laughter and a chance to meet other parents. You can enter as a team of **up to 6** or buy an **individual ticket** and we'll team you up on the night. It's always a really fun evening so please do join us.

Tickets can be purchased **now** via the following link
[St Annes Chertsey PFA](https://www.stanneschertseypfa.org.uk)

If you have any questions, please contact us at stannespfa@stannes-chertsey.surrey.sch.uk

Bring your friends and your brain power for an unforgettable night of quizzing and fun!

**FRIDAY
26TH SEPTEMBER**

SCHOOL HALL
DOORS OPEN 7 PM
QUIZ STARTS 7.30PM

**TICKETS ON SALE NOW VIA
QR CODE**

Follow us on Instagram - [stanneschertseypfa](https://www.instagram.com/stanneschertseypfa)



Dear Lord,

May Christ be at the centre of all we do.

With your help, fill our school with laughter and learning.

With your guidance, help us listen and respect each other, no matter our differences.

With your love, encourage us to be kind and gentle.

With your light, shine on our school family, so we can be a light for others.

We are all part of St Anne's community and we know that we are loved.

Amen



Please click on the link below, to find the latest Parish Newsletter [St. Anne's Parish Newsletter](#) 

October 2025		Important information: Rosary before school every day for pupils and parents Black History Month				
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Year 2 Nurturing Nurses Day Session 1 9.15-10.15 Session 2 10.20-11.20	3 Xavier Inset Day	4
5 Grandparents' Day	6 Bikeability – Y6 try it out day (all day)	7 Bikeability – Y6 try it out day (all day) Open Afternoon for Prospective Parents 1.30pm	8 Bikeability – L1 Y4 (36 places) am sessions only Bikeability – Y6 Learn to ride 1-3pm 12 places	9 Bikeability – L1 Y4 am sessions only Bikeability – Y6 Learn to ride 1-3pm	10 Bikeability – L1 Y4 am sessions only Bikeability – Y6 Learn to ride 1-3pm World mental health day	11
12	13 Individual & Sibling Photographs Blessed Carlo Acutis attend Mass for BCA	14	15	16	17 Harvest Festival Whole School 9.10am	18
19	20 Y3SJPII attend Mass for SJPII Bikeability Y6 L2 (2 sessions am 1 pm) 24 children	21 Bikeability Y6 L2 (2 sessions am 1 pm) EYFS Welcome Assembly 9.10am	22 Bikeability Y6 L2 (2 sessions am 1 pm)	23 Bikeability Y6 L2 (2 sessions am 1 pm)	24 Bikeability Y6 L2 (2 sessions am 1 pm)	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	
October Half Term Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October						

Thank you all, once again, for your support and co-operation.

Take care & God bless

Yours sincerely

Mrs C Martin
Headteacher



Information Zone

Salesian School Open Mornings

We are pleased to announce that Salesian will be conducting Open Mornings during the school day on the following dates:

- Wednesday, 17th September 2025
- Wednesday, 24th September 2025
- Tuesday, 30th September 2025

Open Mornings start at 8.45am and involve a short tour of the school.

To register your interest please follow [this link](#).

Our Open Evening is on Thursday 2nd October 5-7.30pm.



THAMESMEAD SCHOOL OPEN EVENING

Thursday 9th October 2025

5.30pm - 8.00pm

Headteacher's talks at 5.30, 6.15, 7.00, 7.45pm



We warmly invite parents and primary school students to visit our successful school

You do not need to book to attend but will need a ticket on arrival if you would like to go to the Headteacher's Talk. More details are on our website.

Thamesmead School, Manygate Lane, Shepperton, TW17 9EE

Tel: 01932 219400 Email: info@thamesmead.surrey.sch.uk

Website: www.thamesmead.surrey.sch.uk

Morning tours of the school are also bookable via the school office

"My daughter is happy and thriving at Thamesmead. An extremely good school and would highly recommend to other parents" – Year 7 parent.

"We never had any doubt choosing Thamesmead was the right decision. We're proud to be part of the Thamesmead community." – Year 8 parent

"Thamesmead teachers have been outstanding, showing true passion for their role and supporting our children." – Year 10 parent



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27th - 31st October 2025

9am-3pm

Camp Price- £200

Day Price (on request)- £45

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- ✓ Team-Building Activities
- ✓ Matches and Tournaments
- ✓ U8-U10 & U11-U13

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