



Newsletter

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



Dear Parents/ Carers,

What a busy and exciting two weeks we have already had in school!

Year 6 have recently returned from their residential, and what a wonderful time they have had. The children embraced every opportunity with enthusiasm, resilience and a real sense of adventure, creating memories that will stay with them for years to come. Experiences like these are so valuable, and they would not be possible without the dedication of our staff. A huge thank you goes to all those who volunteered their time, gave up the comfort of their own beds, and supported our children so wholeheartedly throughout the trip. They do this because they care so much for our children.

We would also like to say a big well done to all of the children who represented our school at District Sports this week. They were absolutely fantastic-showing determination, excellent sportsmanship and great teamwork. We are incredibly proud of them. Thank you, too, to the staff who gave up their time to organise and attend this event; these are always such wonderful opportunities for our pupils to shine.

Yesterday we held our EYFS Sports Day and, despite a last-minute change from outdoors to indoors, it was a huge success. The children were incredible and demonstrated a real team spirit throughout the event. It was lovely to see them encouraging one another and taking part with such joy and enthusiasm. We look forward to more Sports Days taking place next week and are very much hoping that the sunshine makes an appearance for us!

It is hard to believe that we only have five weeks left of this academic year. While it may seem like things should begin to slow down, this is always one of the busiest and most exciting times in the school calendar.

Over the coming weeks, we are also very much looking forward to many of our children making their First Holy Communion. This is such a special and important time in their faith journey, and we will be keeping them all in our thoughts and prayers as they celebrate this wonderful milestone.

Wishing you all a lovely and restful weekend.

God Bless,


Mrs Martin

Wraparound Care

We are proud to offer Wraparound care at the beginning and end of the school day to children aged 4 to 11 years who attend St Anne's Catholic Primary School.

The aim is to provide a safe and stimulating environment for children to assist parents who have work or other childcare commitments. Both **Breakfast** and **After School Club** are extremely popular, so booking is essential.

We have taken considerable time to review our Wraparound Care provision for the **2026/2027** academic year. This has included analysing parent feedback, comparing our pricing with other local Xavier schools, and assessing our own facilities and staffing.

Please click on the link which contains full details about the available options and booking procedures. [Wraparound Care Information Booklet](#) 



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Father's Day Stall

Children can bring in up to **£5** to spend at our Father's Day Stall next **Friday, 19th June**. We are looking for volunteers to help out on the day. If you are able to spare half an hour, an hour or a morning/afternoon, please fill in this form [Father's Day 2026 – Fill out form](#)



Junior Duke

The deadline to complete Junior Duke challenges is **Friday 3rd July 2026**.

Please note, your child must have completed all of their challenges to be able to attend the ceremony and receive their awards. Please see the inside cover of your booklets for the amount of challenges needed for completion. If challenges are not completed by the deadline - **Friday 3rd July 2026**, your child is welcome to carry their project over into the next academic year and receive their award as and when it is completed.

However, please note you will not be able sign your child up to start the next award for your child's age group if the current award is not completed, orders for the next award booklets will be made by the end of September 2026.

Miss Manners



School Travel Plan

Thursday 4th June 2026

Year 4 presented a short drama to the school to explain the school travel plan.

This caused great excitement amongst the children who are planning to travel to school in safer and smarter ways.

Click on the link to find out more information about our school travel plan

[School Travel Plan](#)



School Trips & Topic Days

District Sports

Tuesday, 9th June

Our Year 3, 4 and 5 pupils recently took part in the District Sports event held at the Excel Sports Centre in Walton, where they competed against 15 other schools.

We are delighted to share some fantastic achievements:

- Year 4 finished 2nd overall, were relay winners, and placed 3rd in the sprint events.
- Year 5 secured 3rd place in the sprint events and achieved an impressive 1st place in the throwing events.

All of the children represented our school exceptionally well. Their enthusiasm, teamwork and determination were evident throughout the day, and we are especially proud that the adults present awarded them 1st place for their outstanding behaviour.

A huge thank you to all the children who took part, to Miss Manners and Mr Ball for organising the team, and to Mrs Bloch & Miss Corbett for their support on the day.



EYFS – Role Models

Wednesday, 10th June

We looked at what a role model is & decided that Jesus is the perfect role model.

We played a game - What would Jesus do, where we went through different scenarios such as all children in the class are playing and one child is alone. Question: *What would Jesus do?* Children acted out what he would do.

We learnt how to make a heart shape using our hands and each time we saw/see someone in the class acting like Jesus- the perfect role model we did/will do the sign to them.

We looked at art work of Jesus washing the feet of his disciples. Jesus was their role model and he showed that nothing is beneath us. With Year 6 helpers we had our feet washed to reenact Jesus washing his disciples feet.





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.

Fruit



Vegetables



Milk



Sandwich



Chicken



Pasta



Biscuit



Cereal



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!

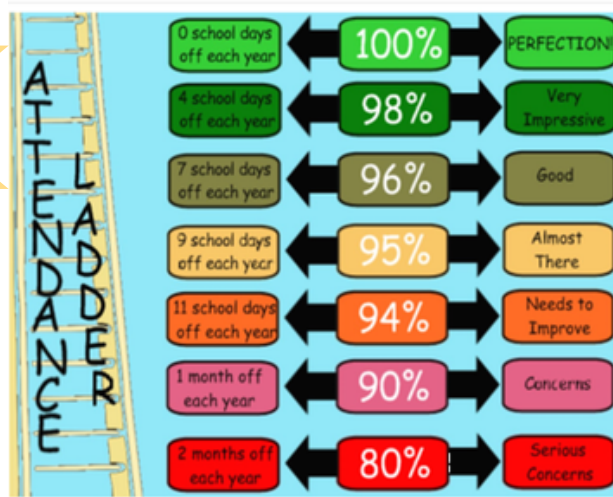
Class Attendance - May 2026

EYFS & KS1

	%
Sunshine (St. Paul)	97
Rainbow (St. Peter)	97
St. Anne	96
St. Joseph	97
St. Bridget	97
St. John Bosco	98

KS2

	%
St. Cecilia	93
St. John Paul II	99
St. Carlo Acutis	95
St. Jane Frances de Chantal	97
St. Alphonsa	96
St. Nicholas of Myra	96
St. Francis Xavier	98
St. Josephine Bakhita	98



Now more than ever your child attending school is crucial to their education and future. We will be sharing these figures with you each month and celebrating those classes who have high attendance.

We appreciate some absences cannot be avoided and in these cases you do need to let the office know the reason on a daily basis.

Class attendance was good for May. Congratulations to **St John Paul II** who reached **99%** attendance for the month.

Many thanks for your cooperation.



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](#) 

July 2026		Important information: Reports Transition				
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 St Alphonsa class worship – parents invited	2	3 Year 6 Production to Parents	4
5	6 Healthy Living Week 6th – 10th Y2 St Bridget attend Mass for St Bridget	7 Choir Summer performance at 6:00	8 Year 6 to attend Salesian School Summer Production 1pm EYFS New Starters Induction Session	9 First Holy Communion Liturgy 9.10 am Open Evening 3:30 – 5:30pm	10 Reports to Parents PFA Colour Run	11
12	13 Y5 St Alphonsa attend Mass for St Alphonsa	14 End of Year Mass – Led by Year 6 9.10am	15	16	17 End of Term EYFS - 12 noon KS1 - 12.05pm KS2 - 12.10pm	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	
Summer Holidays Term Ends 17th July						

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

Take care & God bless

Yours sincerely

Mrs C Martin
Headteacher



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Sports Days

EYFS enjoyed a very successful Sports Day on Thursday. Although the weather was not on our side, we adapted quickly and relocated the event to the school hall.

All of the children participated with enthusiasm and had great fun taking part in a range of indoor activities, supported by the encouragement and cheers of their family members.

We are hopeful for better weather next week, fingers crossed that we can return to the school field for Sports Day events outdoors!

Monday, 15th June

Yr 1/2 - **1:45pm** (parents arrive from 1.30pm)



Tuesday, 16th June

Yr 3/4 - **9:15am**

Yr 5/6 - **1:30pm** (parents arrive from 1.15pm)



Colour Run – Friday, 10th July



Buy tickets here:

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/stanneschertseypfa/index.cfm>

Ticket prices

- Standard price: £8 per person (from 1st June)

Ticket sales will **close** on Friday **26th June**, unfortunately we won't be able to accept any bookings after this date.

Important information

- This is a family event. All children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian who remains on site. Adults don't have to run — but we'd love you to join in if you can! Everyone taking part on the course must have a ticket.
- Start time slots (**3.30pm, 4.00pm, 4.30pm**) are a guide only. Not everyone will be able to be on the course at the same time, and there will be plenty of other activities to enjoy before or after your run.
- If your child attends **After School Club**, they must be collected **before** attending the Colour Run. Staff will not escort children to the event.
- Eye protection is mandatory for all participants. Glasses or goggles must be worn at all times on the course (e.g. sunglasses). Participants without eye protection will not be able to take part.
- We recommend wearing a white or light-coloured top to get the full colour effect. A children's t-shirt can be purchased during booking, or you may provide your own.
- The paint powder used is non-toxic and biodegradable, and safe for both participants and the environment. However, we cannot guarantee it won't stain clothing or footwear. You may wish to bring a change of clothes or a towel to protect car seats for the journey home.



Volunteers

Thank you to those that have volunteered so far, we have met the minimum number of volunteers required however the more we have the better, so please continue to volunteer via the link below. All volunteers will be added to a WhatsApp group with further information in due course.

<https://forms.gle/m4sL1hA7z8AvJ5jx9>

Event sponsorship

We are looking for local businesses to sponsor the colour stations. If this is something you may be interested in, please get in touch to discuss further: stannespfa@stanneschertsey.surrey.sch.uk

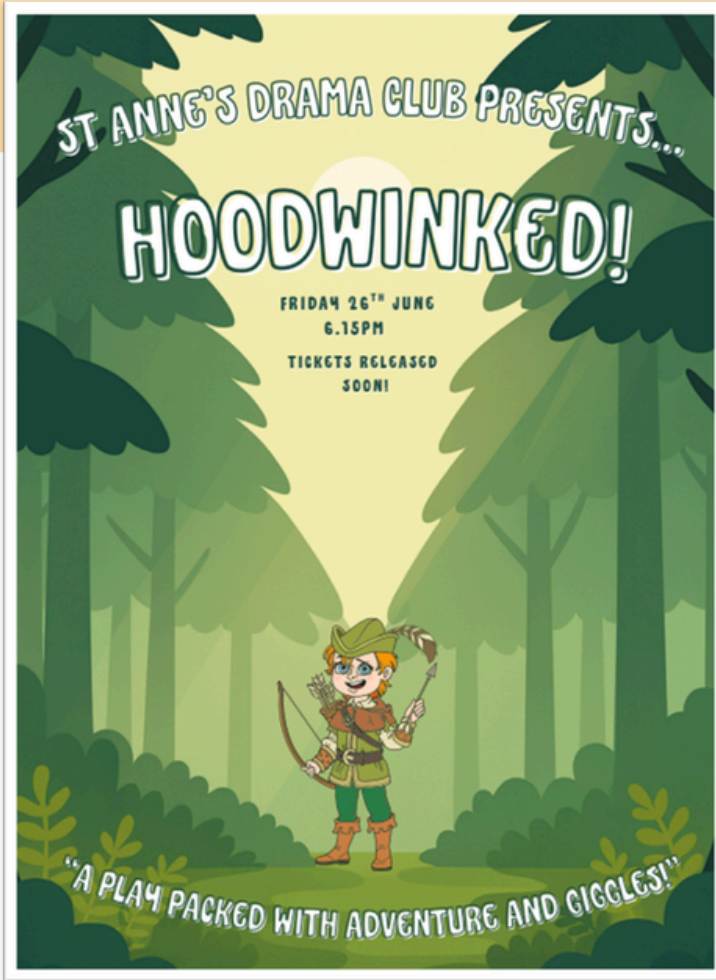
We would also love to hear from anyone who may be able to help us source hay bales for the event. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

The PFA





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We are pleased to announce that the Drama Club will be performing 'Hoodwinked' on Friday 26th June at 6.15pm.

Tickets for this term's show are available to purchase for £2.00 per person on SCOPAY! The children have been working so hard in rehearsals.

Grab your tickets and see you there!

Miss Manners

Diary Dates

Choir Summer Concert

Our school choir will be performing their Summer Concert for parents on

Tuesday, 7th July at 6.00 pm

To guarantee the children look their absolute best, please could we ask that the children performing wear their school uniforms. The concert should last approximately one hour.



Year 6 Leavers Production for Parents

I'm an Eleven Year Old - Get Me Out of Here!

Friday, 3rd July

Arrive 1.30pm for a 1.45pm start

Open Evening - Thursday, 9th July

3.30pm - 5.30pm

This is an opportunity for you to celebrate your child's achievements, and give you an insight into what they will be doing next year. So do please come along and let the children show you some of their wonderful work.



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A PARENT GUIDE TO SMART TECH & SCREEN TIME

EYFS & KEY STAGE 1



OUR RECOMMENDATIONS

- ✓ Limit screen time each day, making sure it's switched off at least an hour before bed.
- ✓ Do not allow your child to have unrestricted internet access, gaming or any social media until they are in at least Year 10 (14-15 yrs)
- ✓ Educate yourself about the risks to young people of unrestricted internet access, social media and addiction.
- ✓ Teach your child about the risks and help guide them in using technology safely.

YOU ARE THE PRIMARY EDUCATOR OF YOUR CHILD. EDUCATE YOURSELF AND TAKE CONTROL!

PUT PHYSICAL ACTIVITY & CONVERSATION FIRST

Your child is like a sponge, they are learning every day. The habits they form now, will be with them for life.

Aim for at least **one hour of physical activity each day** - running in the garden or at the playground, walking to and from school, playing football, riding their bike/scooter, Parkrun, going for a walk as a family - there are lots of options.

Talk to your child about the importance of being active and outdoors for health and wellbeing. Make sure they see you prioritising this time.



SCREEN TIME

- ✓ **NOT ALL SCREEN TIME IS EQUAL**
 - It's important to distinguish between good and bad screen time.
 - Addictive social media, video and gaming, unrestricted internet access and age inappropriate TV/games are examples of 'bad' screen time.
 - Positive uses include those which support organisation, enhance learning, and fosters independence.
 - Steer towards the good. Educate yourself and your child about the bad.
- ✓ **UNDERSTAND THE NEGATIVE EFFECTS**

The negative effects of screen time include:

 - Prolonged use of screens can lead to digital eye strain, causing symptoms like dry eyes, blurred vision, and headaches.
 - Exposure to blue light from screens can interfere with sleep patterns by disrupting the body's natural circadian rhythm.
 - Spending excessive time on screens often leads to a sedentary lifestyle, contributing to health issues like obesity and poor cardiovascular health.
 - High screen time is linked to anxiety, depression, and decreased social interaction due to reduced face-to-face communication.
 - For children, excessive screen time can hinder cognitive and social skill development, affecting attention span and learning abilities.
 - Notifications are distracting and reduce the ability to focus and complete tasks effectively.

- ✓ **BE A DIGITAL ROLE MODEL**

It's not just children who are susceptible to the persuasive design of Social Media and games! Anyone can find themselves mindlessly swiping through feeds for longer than they intended or using their smartphone before bed or at meal times.

Children are looking at us to learn behaviours. Lead the way by limiting your own screen time and demonstrating positive digital habits.
- ✓ **CREATE A FAMILY AGREEMENT**

Children thrive on routine. Creating a family agreement is a fantastic way of setting boundaries and clear expectations around screen time. This should include the amount of screen time each week as well as when and where this will take place.
- ✓ **DECIDE AGE RESTRICTIONS IN ADVANCE**

Decide in advance what age your child will have access to a smart phone, the internet, social media, games etc. It is much easier to set this out in advance than walk it back once they have started using it.
- ✓ **ALWAYS USE PARENTAL CONTROLS**

Parental controls are available; make sure they are set up and switched on until your child is an adult! This will enable you to control the device and limit functionality in an age appropriate way.

This school does not allow children to bring smartphones/watches onsite at any time.

Take control of your child's future wellbeing by taking control of their access to social media, gaming and the internet.

EDUCATIONAL IDEAS

Here are some of our favourite programmes and apps for Reception/KS1 children. A short amount of screen time is a good way for a child to wind down after a busy day - you could put on a timer to keep it under an hour a day!



Use these links to help **EDUCATE YOURSELF. EDUCATE YOUR CHILD.**





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A helping hand for a healthier family

Do you need help to achieve a healthy weight for your child or teenager?

Be Your Best is a funded healthy lifestyle programme for Surrey families with children & teenagers aged 5-17 years, who are above the healthy weight range.

We can help you make a positive difference to your child or teenager's health & wellbeing.

The programme is made up of one-to-one and group sessions:

Sessions include

Live cooking workshop
Meal planning for the whole family
Easy food swaps
Managing screen time
How to become an active family
Importance of sleep

One-to-one sessions

With a health & wellbeing advisor at a mutually agreed time & location

Online group sessions for parents/carers

Week days after school via Zoom

Online physical activity sessions

Group sessions via zoom or on-demand video content

"Me and my boys are really enjoying this programme and we are so grateful to be taking part." - Mum

Find out more:



Suicide Prevention: Supporting Children and Young People

PAPYRUS

Free 45 minute information session for parents and carers delivered in partnership with Xavier Catholic Education Trust and Papyrus.

Papyrus is the UK charity dedicated to the prevention of young suicide and the promotion of positive mental health and emotional wellbeing in young people.

This friendly, informal SPARK session is designed for parents and carers, and no previous knowledge or experiences is needed. This session will:

- Help you become more aware of suicide prevention, even if it feels like something that could never affect your family.
- Reassure you that you're not alone and introduce the support Papyrus offers to parents and carers concerned about a young person.
- Tackle the fear, stigma, and silence that often surround suicide, helping us all keep young people safer.

Dates: 3 June, 17 June & 1 July

Time: 18:00 - 18:45 (including time for Q&A)

Location: Online
Register now:



For any questions, please contact: gemma.rowan@papyrus-uk.org

PAPYRUS

Registered Charity Number: 1078896
DSCR Registered Charity Number: SC20258
Registered Company Number: 02054402

Penalty Notices for Unauthorised Absence

Reminder - if you take your children out of school without authority for 5 or more days (which do not have to be consecutive) , they will be liable to receive a penalty notice.

New Regulation in force from 19th August 2024

The amount payable for penalty notice has increased from £60 to £80 per notice if paid within 21 days. If paid between 21 and 28 days, the amount payable has risen from £120 to £160 per notice.

If a parent/carer has incurred a penalty notice for the same child since 19 August 2024, the rolling three 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, per notice. There will be no reduction for paying within 21 days.