



St. Anne's C.E. (VC) Primary School

"Together with God, Making Learning a Life Long Friend"

We aspire to be guided in all that we do by our inclusive Christian ethos. We are enthusiastic about life-long learning and share wisdom in serving each other and our world. We encourage all to live lives of hope and aspiration, inspired through acquiring new skills and attributes. Dignity and respect are at the heart of our school.

5th January, 2023

FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE PERSON WITH PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY

RE : YEAR 1 SPRING TERM NEWSLETTER

We hope you have had a wonderful break.

Our topic this half term is Polar Adventures. Within this topic we will be learning about the continents and oceans by naming and locating them, we will look at seasonal changes, the weather and we will learn about explorers Ernest Shackleton and Scott of the Antarctic.

We are very lucky to have volunteers coming in each week to hear your children read, each child should be heard individually once a week. To ensure your child is getting a new book when they are finished with it please make sure it is going in the box that is brought down the ramp each morning. If the book is in the box this will mean they will have a new book at the end of the day. We do keep an eye on the children who say they have not read at home and do not need their books changing. We will also make sure to check on the children that go to Kids Club. Also if you are wanting to keep the book longer then we recommend you write this into the reading record or do not put it in the box.

It is the school's policy for all children to read at least 5 times a week. It is important to remember that young children often believe that 'reading' only consists of reading and discussing books that you have at home, or obtain from the library, together with reading labels and signs and other print that children see around them. A love of books and reading is one of the most precious, important gifts anyone can give a child. Your child will reap the benefits for the rest of their lives. Reading encourages imagination, builds understanding, opens up new worlds and helps children reach their full potential.

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Monday	Register	Phonics	Literacy	Guided reading	Break time	Maths	Lunch time	Worship HT	NCETM	Handwriting	PE	Computing	
Tuesday								Worship Songs of Praise			Games slot	Art/ Design Topic Lesson	
Wednesday								Worship Picture News			Science	Year 1 Library slot	PSHE
Thursday								Worship SLT/ Connect 2			Re	Music	
Friday								Worship Celebration			My PPA afternoon (LA)		Spelling test
Home time and story time													

Phonics is a major part of Year 1, we are mixing with Year 2 for phonics and phonics is taught every day following the same the Read Write Inc. scheme. This term I will be holding a phonics meeting to talk through our phonics lessons and discuss the phonics check with you. More information is to follow on this.

In Maths this half term we will be understanding number 10-20 including comparing, ordering and estimating. We will be using and making number bonds to 20, finding missing numbers and related facts.

Our PE day has changed to Monday and we would ask that your child comes in to School in their full PE kit. We will be doing Gymnastics with Deb from SCFC.

Homework will continue to be sent on a Thursday to be brought back into school the following Thursday. However, spellings will now be sent out via Dojo at the beginning of term for the entire term. These spellings will be tested each Friday in class. Please practise the week's spellings at home throughout the week in preparation for the test on the Friday. The first spellings test will be Friday 13th January.

Discipline will follow the Good to be Green reward system. Team points will be awarded by hard work and good behaviour, together with stickers and other rewards as appropriate, and we will continue the Star of the Week. We also have a special helper who wears a lanyard and does our special classroom jobs for the day.

To encourage writing we have a super hero writing chair, that the children get to sit on all day when they have tried their best with their writing.

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Should you have any queries or concerns concerning your child, please do not hesitate to contact me via email, class dojo or briefly at the start of the day. You can also contact the School Office and ask them to arrange a telephone call, at a mutually convenient time.

Yours sincerely,

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