

St Ann's RC Primary School  
Derbyshire Lane, Stretford,  
Manchester, M32 8SH  
0161 865 7705  
stannesrc.admin@trafford.gov.uk

17<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Welcome back!

We hope you have had a lovely Easter holiday, spending quality time together and making special memories, whatever you chose to do.

This week marks the start of our Summer Term, and we are hopeful that the weather will soon reflect this.

As the school year has progressed, it was now the turn of our younger children to perform their Class Assembly and Class 2 certainly got us off to a fantastic start! Their assembly was all about the Catholic Social Teaching of Human Dignity. The boys and girls clearly highlighted the importance of treating one another with respect, love and justice, reminding us that we are all made in the image and likeness of God.

A huge thank you to the children in Class 2 and to Miss Marsden for such a thoughtful and uplifting assembly.

#### Safeguarding Newsletter

This month's Safeguarding newsletter focuses on supporting primary-aged children with what they see and hear in the world, and keeping them safe online.

It includes guidance on talking calmly and reassuringly with children about news and world events, as well as why social media is not appropriate for younger children and the benefits of delaying its use to protect wellbeing, friendships and emotional development.

#### St George's Day

On Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April we are celebrating St George's Day and we invite all children who are part of the Services to come into school wearing their uniforms. We look forward to seeing children in their Rainbow, Brownies, Cubs and Scouts uniforms.

#### Allergy Awareness Week

It is Allergy Awareness Week next week. Some of our children who are affected by allergies will be leading assemblies highlighting the issue and educating our pupils on how they can help to keep us all safe and be supportive of one another.

## Stay and Share Sessions & Family Masses

We are pleased to inform parents that we will soon be introducing 'Stay and Share' sessions, offering parents/carers an opportunity to come into school and see the learning taking place in your child's classroom. These sessions will initially be aimed at parents of children in Early Years and Key Stage 1. In addition, we will be holding Family Masses, during which children from our school will take an active role in the Sunday Mass at church. Please see the term dates for further information.

## Attendance and Punctuality

Regular attendance and punctuality are vital for children's academic progress and emotional wellbeing. Being in school every day and arriving on time helps children settle into their learning, build confidence and maintain important friendships. Our school doors open at 8:45am, with the school day starting promptly at 9:00am,

He/She is only missing just....	That equals....	Which is.....	and over 13 years of schooling that's...
10 minutes per day	50 minutes per week	Nearly 1.5 weeks per year	Nearly <b>Half a year</b>
20 minutes per day	1 hour 40 mins per week	Over 2.5 Weeks per year	Nearly <b>1 year</b>
Half an hour per day	Half a day per week	4 Weeks per year	Nearly <b>1 and a Half years</b>
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 Weeks per year	Over <b>2 and a Half years</b>

*Did you know your child's best learning time is the start of the school day?  
That's when every minute counts the most!!*

so it is important that children arrive by this time and are ready to learn. We understand that families may sometimes face challenges, and please be assured that the school is here to support and work alongside you. If you are experiencing any difficulties that may be affecting your child's attendance or punctuality, we encourage you to come forward and speak to us so that we can offer help where possible.

## Statutory assessments - Important dates

### **Year 1 – Phonic Screening Check**

Week beginning Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2026

**Year 2 – Catch – Up Phonic Screening Check** (for children who did not meet the standard in Year 1)

Week beginning Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2026

### **Year 4 – Multiplication Table Check**

Week beginning Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2026

## Year 6 – Standard Assessment Tests (SATs)

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2026.

It is imperative that your child attends school for these assessments.

### Breakfast and After School Clubs

Thank you for your support with the transition over the online booking for our Breakfast and After School Clubs. We hope you are finding this system easy to use. If you have any problems, please contact the school office. Please remember to pre-book the sessions as the places are limited and we would not like to have to phone parents to say the club is full. You can also cancel your sessions if you know your child will not be attending or are off absent.

### Reminder - Bling Your Bike

On 7<sup>th</sup> May from the end of school until 4pm, there will be a Bling Your Bike event in the playground, run by Trafford Community Collective. Bring your bike or scooter and decorate it for free with reflective spokies, stickers, ribbons and more. Grown-ups, you are very welcome to bring your bike too - there will be reflective patches and spokies to help make your journeys by bike safer!

The event will run for around half an hour after school for families, then once everyone has, left pupils who are at after school club will have a chance to bring their bikes / scooters out and decorate them too!

### Well done!

Ria (C7) and Orla (C11) were in Spain last week representing their football team. Well done to both of you. What a great opportunity!

### **Don't forget - Follow us!**

We're excited to share that our school now has a new Facebook page and also an Instagram pages!



Follow us to keep up to date with news, events, and celebrations from our school community.

✦ **Facebook:** StAnns RC PrimarySchool

✦ **Instagram:** st.anns.rc.primary.school

We'd love for you to join us online and share in all the wonderful things happening at school!

Next week:

Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	Stay and Share session Rec 1 and Rec 2 8.45am – 9am Class photographer
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Stay and Share Nursery. 8.45am – 9.15am
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Class 1 Assembly 9.15am