Newsletter

~St. Anne Line Catholic Junior School~

Reporting Absence

Please report your child's absence on Study Bugs or phone the school office *before* 9:15am 01268 470444

School Emergency / Snow Closure - Please check the school website

Head Teacher's Notice

Friday 14th February 2025

It's been a busy week before the half term break with lots of classes sharing their class assemblies with their parents. All of the children have worked so hard learning their lines and songs; the assemblies were real celebrations of the children's work. Thank you to all the parents and families who were able to come and support their children's learning.

On Tuesday, it was Internet Safety Day, which was introduced by the Digital Leaders who led a whole school assembly. The children then completed activities in class, reminding them how to keep safe online.

Selected children across the school took part in the Laindon Bench Project on Thursday as part of the Creative Basildon scheme. The children enjoyed having their self-portraits taken.

We also wish Miss Weddell all the best as she leaves the school and pursues her career as a sports coach

Have a wonderful half term break, God bless, see you all on MONDAY 24th February.

N. Watson

Prayer

Heavenly Father,

We keep in our prayers those who are suffering around the world, may Your love and protection give them the faith to keep strong, and know that You are with them always.

Amen

"I have said things to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world." John 16:33

SCHOOL DIARY DATES

HALF TERM BREAK

17th - 21st February 2025

SECOND HALF OF SPRING TERM — Monday 24/02/25
Assessment week for Year 6 children. Please ensure all children are in school and on time. School starts at 8:30am

YEAR 6 TO CRUCIAL CREW — Wednesday 26/02/25
The children in Year 6 will attend a Crucial Crew workshop being held at the Towngate theatre today.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS — Wednesday 05/03/25
The children will attend an Ash Wednesday Service at Holy Trinity Church @ 11am

WORLD BOOK DAY and CAKE SALE — Thursday 06/03/25
The children are invited to dress up as their favorite book character today to celebrate World Book Day.
We also have our Staff 'World Book Day' Bake off! Children will be able to purchase cakes at breaktime.

CLASS 8 (Virtual) PARENT - TEACHER CONSULTATIONS — Monday 10/03/24
Letters will come out for appointment times. (Held on Zoom)

CLASS 7 (Virtual) PARENT - TEACHER CONSULTATIONS — Tuesday 11/03/24
Letters will come out for appointment times. (Held on Zoom)

PLEASE RESPECT OUR NEIGHBOURS!

Use the church car park to drop off and collect your child, or walk to school.

House Points

House Points	Week 6	14/02/2025
Anne Frank		Florence Nightingale
260		281
Martin Luther King		Nelson Mandela
306		270

School Dinners - Week 1



Please see our school website for the menu.
Please ensure that all accounts are up to date on the Parent's ARBOR Account - Thank you.



Gospel Values Award

This week the focus has been on
INTEGRITY - Do what you say.
Well done to **Sophia LM** and **Tommy C** for demonstrating Integrity in school this week. To demonstrate integrity is shaped by the choices we make when no one is watching, reflecting our commitment to live in accordance with God's standards.
"Whoever walks in integrity, walks securely, but whoever takes crooked paths will be found out ." Proverbs 10:9

Weekly Awards

Stars of the Week



* **Class 1** - Whole of Class 1
* **Class 2** - Whole of Class 2
* **Class 3** - Whole of Class 3
* **Class 4** - Isabelle B
* **Class 5** - Valentina B
* **Class 6** - Semilore E
* **Class 7** - Jacob P
* **Class 8** - Victor G

Other Awards



* **Top Attendance** - Class 3
* **Tidiest Classroom** - Class 4
* **Music Award** - Bobby C

Instagram/Website

Please take a look at:
St Anne Line Juniors
https://www.st-anneline-jun.uk/

Attendance League

Whole School Attendance 97.3%

	Class	% Attendance	% Unauthorised Absence
TOP	3	99.1%	0.45 MUST IMPROVE
	8	97.7	1.60 MUST IMPROVE
	4	97.5	0.83 MUST IMPROVE
	5	96.5	0
	2	95.7	3.90 MUST IMPROVE
==========National Average 95.0==========			
	1	94.9	3.10 MUST IMPROVE
	7	94.5	0.39 MUST IMPROVE
BOTTOM	6	91.8	6.30 MUST IMPROVE

Total Late Marks - Please be in school and on time GATES CLOSE AT 8:45AM
No Late Marks - Class 1,5,6 - WELL DONE FOR BEING IN SCHOOL ON TIME
LATE MARKS - Class 2,3,4,7,8 - NEED TO BE AT SCHOOL ON TIME.

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Safeguarding at the Heart of Our School

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What's been happening at school this week...

FOOTBALL NEWS



What an exciting week for our football teams.

On Wednesday, the girls won another competitive league game, with Isabelle in year 3 making her first team debut.

On Thursday, the boys played a thrilling match for the spectators, in the quarter finals of the cup. The game was end to end intensity and excitement, with both teams displaying total commitment in all areas of the pitch, including the goalkeepers, pulling off remarkable saves.

The match was locked at the end of extra time, resulting in a penalty shootout. Despite a courageous 100% effort, we narrowly missed out on a semi final place. Congratulations to all our players, who always represent our school with dignity and respect for the opposition, whilst displaying a fabulous team spirit. A special mention to Elizabeth, who bravely played in goal for both teams.



We are so proud of you all.

LAINDON BENCH PROJECT

The children had fun with the portraits on the Friendship Bench.













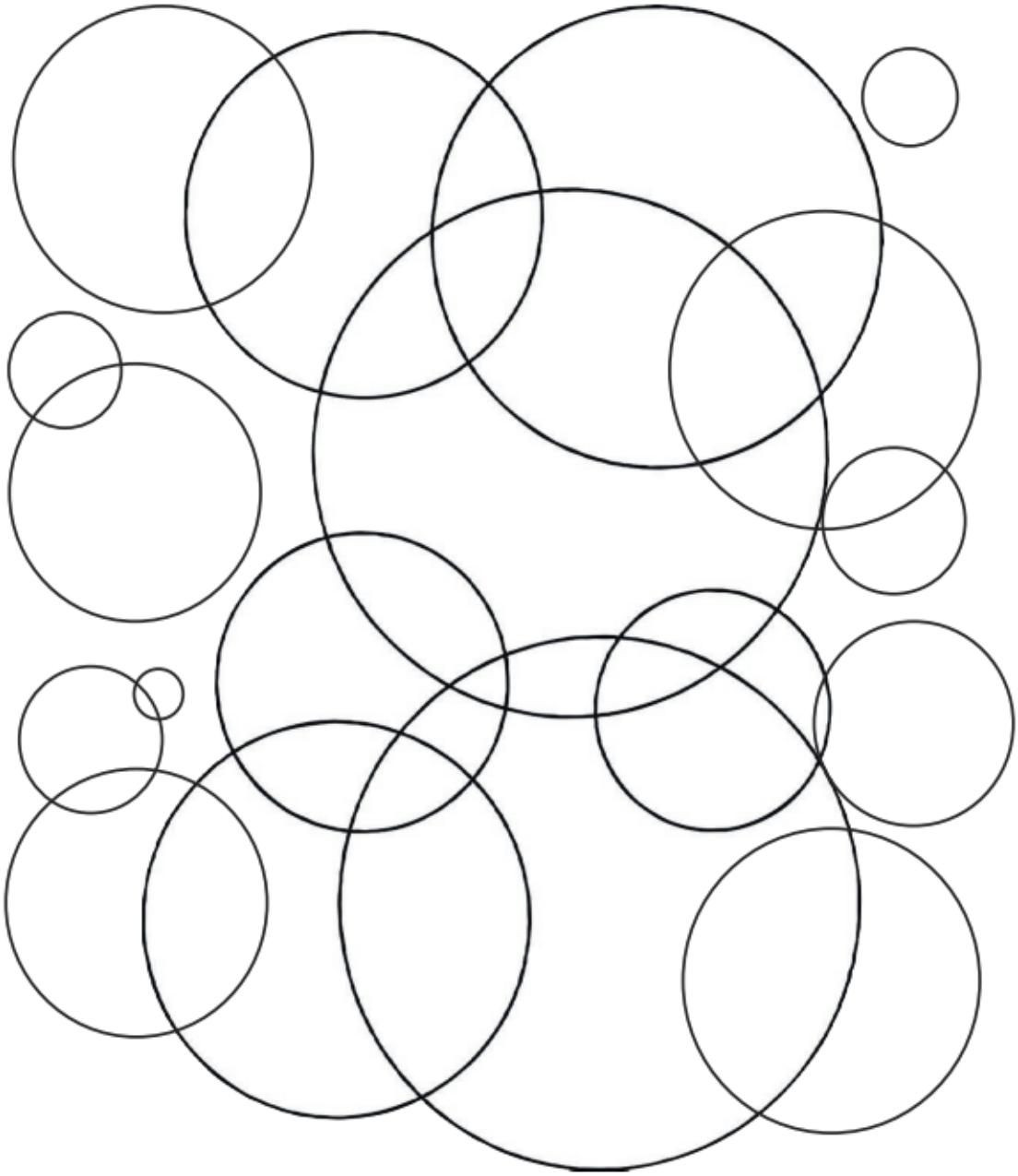


MENTAL HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

If you are concerned about your child's mental health and well-being, please reach out. It's okay to ask for help. At St. Anne Line Catholic Junior School, we are here to help; either to listen, to offer support, or to help direct you to agencies for further advice.

Bubbles of Gratitude Mindfulness Colouring

These are bubbles of gratitude! As you colour each bubble, think of something that you are grateful for. It could be something big or something very small, something that you experience often or something that has just happened once. Thinking of these things helps make us feel calm and happy.



PRAYER AND LITURGY NEWSLETTER

February 2025

The dark mornings and evenings are still with us as we celebrate Candlemas, the feast of The Presentation of the Lord, on 2nd February. This feast day marks the official end of the Christmas season in the Catholic Church and reminds us again that Jesus is the light who came into the world to save us.

Throughout February, children will consider how Jesus, Light of the World, invites us to follow Him and leads us to joy, peace and truth.

I Have Seen The Promise

The Assembly for the first week of February celebrates the Presentation of the Lord, when Jesus was taken to the Temple as a baby to be presented to God - a religious tradition and duty for all Jews.

The Gospel story of this event is told through a drama with Simeon and Anna reflecting on the amazing day when they saw Jesus and through eyes of faith, recognised Him as the promised Saviour. Children will come to know that they too can see Jesus with eyes of faith as the Light of the World - the light that leads us to joy, peace and truth.

With your child, you might like to...

- *Light a candle in a darkened room or turn on a lamp or torch and ask your child to describe how light changes the look and feel of their surroundings. Talk about the title for Jesus - the 'Light of the World' and explain that Jesus guides us with His loving light.*

- *Talk about ways they can shine Jesus' loving light in the world through their words and actions.*

THE HOLY FAMILY

Special occasions often draw families together and Jesus' family were no different. Mary, Joseph and Jesus went to the Temple together for the special event of Jesus' presentation and we can be inspired by this example of togetherness. In fact, the month of February is dedicated to the Holy Family.

You might like to take this opportunity to honour the Holy Family by...

- *Spending quality time with your own loved ones, perhaps by going to Mass, eating together, playing a game or going on a family outing.*

- *Perhaps you could pray together, including prayers of thanks and appreciation for each other and also pray for families who can't be together due to distance, illness or conflict.*

TRUST IN THE LORD

The Gospel for the week beginning 10th February shows Simon Peter taking a leap of faith. After fishing all night and without catching anything, Jesus asked him to cast his nets once again. Simon Peter trusted Jesus and did just that and they caught so many fish that other fishermen had to come to help!

Inspired by Simon Peter, who showed us how to trust in the Lord – even when we don't fully understand, this week's prayers reflect on encouraging messages from the Scriptures which help us to trust and follow Jesus, just like the first disciples.

As part of their prayers, children will use Sign Language to help them learn verses from the Scriptures.

Perhaps you'd like to learn this Scripture verse together ***'Trust in The Lord with all your heart'*** (Proverbs 3:5).

After, you might like to use this prayer to finish:

Jesus,
We want to follow you, just like the first disciples.
Give us strength to be like Simon Peter and trust you with all our heart so that we grow closer to you.
Amen