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 17th April 2026

It has been a calm and positive start to the Summer Term as we welcomed the children back to school following the Easter break. It has been a pleasure to see the pupils return refreshed, settled and ready for learning, with a clear sense of purpose as they begin the new term.

Although it has been a quieter week in terms of events, there has been a strong focus across the school on re-establishing routines, reinforcing expectations and engaging in high-quality teaching and learning. The children have approached their work with enthusiasm, demonstrating positive attitudes and a readiness to build on the progress made earlier in the year.

This term is always an important one, particularly for our older pupils as they prepare for the next stages of their education, and it is encouraging to see such a focused and motivated start from all year groups.

We are looking forward to a busy and productive term ahead, with many opportunities for learning, growth and enrichment, as well as moments to come together as a school community.

Have a wonderful weekend.

God bless, **Miss N. Watson**

Prayer

Dear Lord,

Thank you for sending Your son into this world, to us a broken people, held captive by sin. Help us to trust in Jesus Christ alone as our Saviour and help us to spread Your love in our actions.

Amen

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16

DIARY DATES

Tuesday 21st April 2026

St. Thomas More Information Meeting

*There will be a meeting for Year 5 Boys and their parents to find out information about the school at **2:30pm.***

Wednesday 22nd April 2026

YEAR 5 TRIP TO LAYER MARNEY

The children in Year 5 will spend the day exploring Layer Marney as part of their topic work on the Tudors.

Wednesday 22nd April 2026

STEPHEN LAWRENCE DAY

The children in Years 3,4 and 6 will reflect on the importance of standing together against racism and building a more just and inclusive society.

Friday 24th April 2026

FOOTBALL SHIRT FRIDAY

*The children and staff to pay **£1** to wear a football shirt for the day. All monies raised will go to Cancer Research.*

Monday 27th April 2026 – All week

MOCK SATS WEEK FOR YEAR 6

The children in Year 6 will be completing assessments in preparation of their SATs test coming up next month.

Tuesday 28th April 2026 – All week

NELSON MANDELA HOUSE BREAKFAST

*The children in Nelson Mandela House can attend a special breakfast for earning the most house points last term. **8am in the school hall.***

Monday 4th May 2026

MAY DAY – SCHOOL IS CLOSED TODAY.

PLEASE RESPECT OUR NEIGHBOURS! – Use the Church Carpark to drop off and pick up from school, DO NOT DRIVE INTO THE SCHOOL ROAD.

House Points

Week 1	17/04/2026
Anne Frank	Florence Nightingale
250 * Top House Attendance +20 next week	263
Martin Luther King	Nelson Mandela
247	297

School Dinners - Week 2



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

Football News

A huge congratulations to all our football teams, for their amazing achievements this season.

Our Year 5&6 Girls Team and Year 5&6 Boys Team both finished top of their group and are now getting ready to play in the league semi-final playoffs.

Our Year 3&4 Mixed Team play next week, requiring a win to also qualify for the semi-finals.

Good luck to all the children – we are so proud of you all.

Weekly Awards

Stars of the Week

* Class 1 - Logan B
* Class 2 - Amari O
* Class 3 - Joseph M
* Class 4 - Bobby C
* Class 5 - Ethan JK
* Class 6 - Raoul D
* Class 7 - Bradey S
* Class 8 - Andy M

Other Awards

*Top Attendance - Class 2 &4
*Tidiest Classroom - Class 3
*Music Award - Kaira NL

Instagram/Website

Please take a look at:

St Anne Line Juniors

https://www.st-anneline-jun.uk/

Whole School Attendance 95.3%

Attendance League

	Class	% Attendance	% Unauthorised Absence
TOP	4	99.2% WELL DONE	0
	2	99.2% WELL DONE	0.41 MUST IMPROVE
	7	97.9	0.83 MUST IMPROVE
	6	97.7	0.78 MUST IMPROVE
	5	96.7	0
==========National Average 5.0==========			
	3	94.4	3.20 MUST IMPROVE
	1	91.0 MUST IMPROVE	3.10 MUST IMPROVE
BOTTOM	8	86.6 MUST IMPROVE	9.40 MUST IMPROVE

Total Late Marks - Please be in school and on time **GATES CLOSE AT 8:45AM**

No Late Marks - Class 1,4,6,7 - WELL DONE FOR BEING IN SCHOOL ON TIME

LATE MARKS - Class 2,3,5,8 - BE IN SCHOOL ON TIME

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Wrap-Around Care

The Hive Breakfast ♦ 8-8:30am - £2.50

The Hive Activity ♦ 3-4:00pm - £5.00

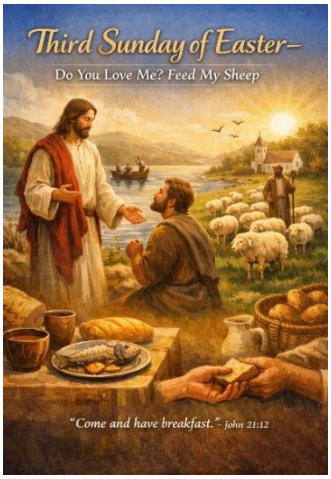
(Includes activity and a small snack)

The Hive Feast* ♦ 3-6:00pm - £12.50

(Includes activity, small snack and dinner)

Booking can be made daily, before 2:30pm, on ARBOR, or contact the school office. (For Year 2 upwards)

Third Sunday of Easter



As we continue to rejoice in the joy of Easter, this Sunday's Gospel reminds us that the risen Jesus meets His disciples in the ordinary moments of life – by the lakeside, in their work, and around a shared meal. In this powerful encounter, Jesus asks Peter three times, "*Do you love me?*" and each time calls him to action: "*Feed my sheep.*" This is not just a question for Peter, but for Each one of us.

At St. Anne Line Catholic Junior School, we reflect on what it means to truly love Jesus:

- By caring for one another.
- By showing kindness and forgiveness.
- By serving those in need.
- By living out our faith each day.

Just as the disciples were called to continue Jesus' mission, we too are sent out to be witnesses of hope, compassion, and joy in our community. May this Easter season inspire us all, children and adults alike, to recognise Jesus in our daily lives and respond generously to His call.

"***Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.'***" (John 21:12)

Parish News

Hall of Dreams

For young people in school years 6-8. A fun and welcoming space to play games, make new friends, and grow in community together.

This Friday 17th April 2026

6:00pm – 8:00pm

£2 per session

Holy Trinity Church Hall

Ofsted

Read our report

St. Anne Line Catholic Junior School
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Safeguarding at the Heart of Our School

Prayer and Liturgy Newsletter – April 2026

April 2026

We have now entered the season of Eastertide, a joyful time when the Church celebrates Jesus' Resurrection and the new life He brings. It's a time to rejoice in the Good News that Jesus is alive and present with us, and to reflect on what this means for our everyday lives. Throughout April, children will explore Gospel stories that help them think about believing in the risen Jesus - the Way, the Truth and the Life who leads us to a closer relationship with God the Father. This newsletter shares some of the content children will experience in school during April and suggests ways for you to engage with them about it. We hope it is a useful resource for your family prayer time.

BELIEVE AND RECEIVE

This week, the children have focused on the Gospel account of Thomas struggling to believe that Jesus had risen until he saw Him for himself (John 20:19–31). Children explored how questions and doubts can be part of believing, and how Jesus met Thomas with patience and understanding. Children were encouraged to think about what it means to believe in Jesus even when they cannot see Him. They reflected on how Jesus offers peace to His friends and invites them to trust Him using their "eyes of faith". Children also considered how believing in the risen Jesus can help them feel reassured and supported in their own lives.

With your child/ren, you may also like to…

- *Talk together about the story of Thomas and why he found it hard to believe at first.*
- *Share times when it can feel difficult to trust or believe, and how reassurance and support can help.*
- *Spend a quiet moment reflecting on how Jesus' message of peace can be shared with others.*

ACTS OF KINDNESS

During the week beginning 20 April, the daily prayers focus on acts of kindness, inspired by the experience of the disciples on the road to Emmaus. Children reflect on how Jesus walked alongside the disciples, offering comfort, understanding, and care, even when they did not recognise Him at first.

Across the week, children are encouraged to think about simple, everyday ways they can show kindness to others, such as spending time together, listening carefully, offering help, and including others.

You might like to use this prayer in your family prayer time:

Jesus,

Thank you for showing us love in hidden ways.

Help me to quietly show love

to the people I am with today.

Amen

VOCATION: ABUNDANT LOVE

In the week beginning 27 April, children reflect on what it means to live a life shaped by love and purpose. Through the Gospel (John 10:1–10), they hear Jesus describe Himself as the one who leads people to life in all its fullness. Children are encouraged to think about how Jesus guides and cares for others and how following Him helps people live well. This assembly also marks **Vocation Sunday**. Children learn that everyone has a vocation, or calling, and that our common vocation is to love God and love others. Through prayer and reflection, children are invited to consider how they can show love and care in their own lives. You might like to find out more about Vocation Sunday by watching our testimony video about the four vocations of the Church on the Online Parent Portal.

With your child/ren, you may also like to…

- *Encourage your child to notice their own gifts and how they can use them to help others.*
- *Spend a moment together thanking God for the people who care for and guide your family.*

https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/

New Lunchtime SUMMER Menu

2026 SUMMER MENU – WEEK 1

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
CHOICE 1 Pasta Bake with Cheese (V)	**CHOICE 1** Homemade Breaded chicken Fillet Strips and Katsu Curry Sauce	**CHOICE 1** Roast Chicken And Gravy	**CHOICE 1** Butcher's Pork Sausage in a Bun	**CHOICE 1** Salmon and Sweet Potato Fish Cakes
CHOICE 2 Jacket Potato with choice of Tuna Mayo, Cheese or Beans (v)	**CHOICE 2** Herby Quorn Fillet and Katsu Curry Sauce (v)	**CHOICE 2** Herby Vegetable Baskets (v)	**CHOICE 2** Vegan Sausage in a Bun (v)	**CHOICE 2** Vegetable and Cheese Quesadilla
CHOICE 3 **Roll with a choice of filling:** **HAM, CHEESE, TUNA MAYONNAISE, CHICKEN**				
SIDES Garlic Bread Steamed Broccoli Mixed Salad	**SIDES** Basmati Rice Steamed Sweetcorn Mixed Salad	**SIDES** Roast Potatoes Seasonal Vegetables Mixed Salad	**SIDES** Nachos Mixed Salad	**SIDES** Chips Steamed Peas Mixed Salad
DESSERTS Shortbread Biscuit	**DESSERTS** Fruit Wedges or Wibble Whip Mousse	**DESSERTS** Organic Yoghurt	**DESSERTS** Cornflake Cake	**DESSERTS** Ice Cream

2026 SUMMER MENU - WEEK 2

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
CHOICE 1 Ham and Cheese Pizza	**CHOICE 1** Homemade Mild Chicken Curry	**CHOICE 1** Roast Gammon And Gravy	**CHOICE 1** Beef Meatballs in Tomato Sauce	**CHOICE 1** Omega 3 fish Fingers
CHOICE 2 Jacket Potato with choice of Tuna Mayo, Cheese or Beans (v)	**CHOICE 2** Sweet Potato and Lentil Curry (v)	**CHOICE 2** Roast Garlic and Herb Quorn Fillet (Vegetarian Gravy) (v)	**CHOICE 2** Vegan Meatballs in Tomato Sauce (v)	**CHOICE 2** Vegetable Loaded Omelette Muffin (v)
CHOICE 3 **Roll with a choice of filling:** **HAM, CHEESE, TUNA MAYONNAISE, CHICKEN**				
SIDES Nachos Steamed Sweetcorn Mixed Salad	**SIDES** 50/50 White and Wholegrain Rice Steamed Broccoli Mixed Salad	**SIDES** Roast Potatoes Yorkshire Pudding Steamed Carrots Mixed Salad	**SIDES** Wholewheat Spaghetti Steamed Broccoli Mixed Salad	**SIDES** Chips Steamed Peas Mixed Salad
DESSERTS Chocolate Brownie	**DESSERTS** Fruit Wedges or Wibble Whip Mousse	**DESSERTS** Jelly	**DESSERTS** Coconut Crumble Cookie	**DESSERTS** Ice-cream

New Music Club

Come and Make Some Noise!





- Singing
- Drumming
- Keyboard
- Ukulele
- Garage Band and more!



Why Join?



- Build Confidence
- Learn Instruments
- Create Your Own Music
- Have Fun With Friends



No Experience Needed - Just Bring Your Enthusiasm!

Starts: WEDNESDAY 22ND APRIL

Time: 3:05PM - 4:05PM each Wednesday

Booking: PAYABLE ON ARBOR

Open to: ALL ABILITIES WELCOME