



FRIDAY ROUND UP



24th April 2026



MESSAGE FROM MR FARRELL

Dear Parents/Carer

A very warm welcome back to you all as we begin the Summer Term at St Anne's. I hope you had a restful and enjoyable break. The summer term is always a busy and exciting time in school, filled with opportunities for learning, growth, and celebration.

It has been a busy week at school; our Year 5 pupils enjoyed a wonderful trip to the Cambridge Botanical Gardens, which greatly enhanced their curriculum learning. They were fortunate to have beautiful weather on the day, allowing the children to fully explore and appreciate the natural surroundings. The pupils were a credit to the school—well behaved, respectful, and engaged throughout the visit. They particularly enjoyed observing the wide variety of plants and habitats, and many expressed how inspiring they found the experience. The trip also provided a fantastic opportunity for artistic expression, with children sketching and capturing the beauty of the gardens through their artwork.

We were also delighted to host a Year 5 Maths Challenge here at St Anne's. We welcomed the challenge into our school and were proud to have a team of four Year 5 pupils represent us. They approached the competition with enthusiasm and determination, working exceptionally well as a team. Their performance reflected not only their strong mathematical knowledge but also their ability to think collaboratively and problem-solve under pressure. We are very proud of their efforts and the way they represented the school.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We look forward to an exciting and productive term ahead.

Best Wishes
Mr Farrell

CLASSROOM NEWS

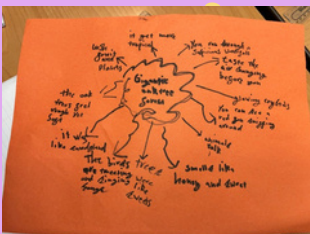
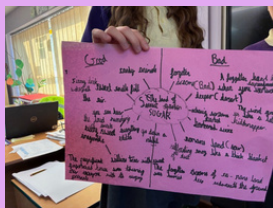
CLASS 4

For their history topic on the Ancient Egyptians, Class 4 learned about the mummification process before making their own mummified fruit! In groups, they mixed together salt and bicarbonate of soda as their Natron before cutting up apples and covering them with the preservative mixture. We are looking forward to seeing the mummified fruit, compared to the pieces of apples we left uncovered! Thank you to the school kitchen who kindly prepared our ingredients.



CLASS 6

Year 6 have been reading some of the Secret Garden this week in English. They have done some collaborative work today looking at setting the scene and have produced some fabulous ideas to use in their writing. They have some planned some really creative scenes using figurative language, the senses and complex sentences.



CLASS 5



We are so proud of our Year 5 Maths Challenge Team for displaying all of the St Anne's values when they competed against 36 other Year 5 pupils in the local heat of the Year 5 Maths Challenge. Their resilience, respect, joy and teamwork shone through and we are incredibly proud of them all. Over 100 people crowded into the hall at this busy event and their behaviour and camaraderie shone through. Well done team!

Online Safety: Protecting Ourselves Online



In recent safeguarding training, we have been told about Report Remove, a tool from Childline that helps young people under 18 take control of images of themselves shared online.

If a young person is worried about a nude or sexual image being shared, they can use Report Remove to have it taken down. The tool works by working with the Internet Watch Foundation to help stop the image from being shared further.

Young people can access this support safely and confidentially through Childline, and they do not have to go through this alone. Support from a trusted adult is always encouraged, but the service is there whenever they need it.

Whilst this may seem like something that older children are more likely to need, it is good to start to tell some of our older primary aged children about it for when they are older. We will also include a link to the tool on the school's website.

For more information, visit Childline and search for "Report Remove".

Our Class trip to the Botanic Gardens in Cambridge

Yesterday, we went for an amazing class trip to the Botanic Gardens in Cambridge University ! Our helpers were Mrs Curtis , Mrs Radford , Miss Steed , Mrs Rowland , Mrs Jackson and Mrs Shortt !

First of all we went into our groups and started exploring ! It was really beautiful from mystical dragon lilies , banana trees ,cherry blossom trees and cherry trees ! After that , we went to the waterfall and drew a picture of the beautiful spirits and senses . The waterfall was beautiful and all of us loved it ! Everyone told me they loved it so much they wanted to see it again ! Next we went to the tropical rainforest glasshouses . There were lots of plants that we had never seen before. There were plants that looked like a bird with lots of bright colours on them . My group was so surprised by all the phenomenal plants we saw . I was with Mrs Shortt , Isla Wilson , Sienna Price , Autumn Shortt and Mufaro ! There were lots of plants from different places like the Canary Islands which were very warm and humid , Benidorm , South Africa and many more wonderful places in our atmosphere . Then, we went into this big, shiny gold door which took us to a room with just cactus , some were spiky and some were smooth . Did you know that cactus produce clean water !

After that we went to the bog garden , it had ponds with ducklings in it and all of the plants that were not endemic had special meanings . The biome that we were focusing on was grassland and a grassland was a place with lots of natural stuff that was not hand made . After that , we went to a nice wooden bench and listened to the birds sing and dance across the blue sky . The weather was beautiful with summery skies and white clouds cuddling against each other . Then we had a look at our plan for the day and it said to go draw a beautiful systematic bed . I drew a systematic bed with roses and lilies on it , it was beautiful ! And then we found a curry scented plant which actually smelt like it . Then we went to the grass maze and timed ourselves . I won and my time was 4.7 seconds . Then it was lunch time , we all met up at about 12.15 in the freshly cut grass field.

All of us had a blast at lunch. We went sunbathing ,and then we did dances, played games and had a peaceful sit spot while watching the plants bloom . After that, we went to draw a picture with water color pens . We had one professional art piece of paper each and we all drew different things . Then we met their mascot Rocky the Rock , while we were drawing our pictures ! I drew an amber rose that I saw in the bog garden . After that we went to a bridge that had a story behind it and it had sensory toys that were due to the story. Then we went to the plants that smelled like Haribo Fantastics , it smelled like cherries . Then it was time to say goodbye to the beautiful Botanical Gardens and hop on the coach . After a long time home we arrived back at school . We said goodbye and thank you to the bus driver and went back to school. Wow, it was a fantastic day . I hope you enjoyed my recap of me and my group's day . Bye !

By Pippa Wilson , Year 5 ,Correspondent !

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 4th May - BANK HOLIDAY
Monday 11th May - Thurs 14th - Year 6 SATS
Thurs 14th May - Class R School Trip
Mon 25th - Fri 29th May - HALF TERM
Fri 5th June - Big Breakfast
W/C 8th June - Phonics Screening
Fri 12th June - Class R Fathers Forest Session
Wed 17th June - Year 4 Faith Tour