



# FRIDAY ROUND UP



13th February 2026



## MESSAGE FROM MR FARRELL

Dear Parents and Carers,

As the weather continues to remind us that we are firmly in the middle of a very wet British winter, please can we ask that all children come to school each day with a suitable waterproof coat. The rain does not seem to be taking any time off (we are beginning to think it may be here on a permanent contract!), and we want all children to stay as dry and comfortable as possible during break times and outdoor learning. A warm, waterproof coat will make a big difference to your child's comfort and wellbeing throughout the school day—thank you for your continued support with this.

We would also like to remind parents and carers about safe and considerate drop-off arrangements at the start of the school day. We have received a number of concerns from both parents and members of the local community regarding vehicles driving up to the school gate/front entrance area. At busy times, multiple cars attempting to do this at once are causing congestion and blocking the road for other users.

As this area is not a designated drop-off zone, we kindly ask that all drivers are mindful of this and consider parking a short distance away before walking children into school. This helps to keep everyone safe and ensures access remains clear for all members of our community. We appreciate your cooperation in supporting a safe and respectful environment for everyone.

As we approach the half-term break, we would like to thank you for your ongoing support this term and wish all of our families a restful and enjoyable break. We are very much looking forward to the arrival of spring next half-term—hopefully bringing with it a little less rain!

Best wishes

Mr Farrell

# CLASSROOM NEWS

## CLASS R

Class R have been learning about the Spring festival, Lunar New Year. We learnt about the Great Race, where 12 animals raced across the river to find out who the new year would be named after. We celebrated by decorating our classroom with Chinese lanterns, learning how to use chopsticks, tasting prawn crackers and fortune cookies and dressing up for a Chinese parade.



## CLASS 1

Year 1 have had a very busy week! In English, we completed our fact files on London. In Maths, we have been counting on from 10 and writing number sentences to match. In Art, we used sponge painting techniques to create our bridges, and in Geography we made maps from the front of the school to OSC, practising our directions. In Science, we continued learning about taste buds.

The children have worked incredibly hard this half term and we are so proud of their progress.

## CLASS 2

Year 2 have been looking at The day the crayons quit and have spent this week writing some fantastic letters to the crayons convincing them not to quit. They enjoyed their last Forest School session of the term and we can't wait until we get our next turn in Forest School.



## E Safety: Protecting ourselves online

### Online Scams and Clickbait

Pop-up adverts, fake competitions, and suspicious links are common online and can easily trick children into clicking or giving away information. Talk to your child about “clickbait”—those attention-grabbing titles or offers that are too good to be true. Encourage them to always check with you before clicking on links, signing up for things, or downloading apps. Parent Zone provides useful resources to help families recognise scams and avoid online traps.

Our, Agents of Change here at St Anne's are going to be launching a food bank donation scheme after half term. Please keep your eyes peeled for more information to follow.



## PTA NEWS

Thank you to Class R, 1 and 2 for your wonderful donations of cake this week.

Thank you also to the PTA for your continued support and time you give to run these events.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> - HALF TERM

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February - Big Breakfast

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day - Children are invited to dress up as their favourite characters

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March - Class R Trip to the library

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March - Year 2 School Trip

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March - Class R Assembly - 9.15am

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March - Red Nose Day

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March - Class 2 Assembly - 2.50pm

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March - 10<sup>th</sup> April - EASTER HOLIDAYS