



# FRIDAY ROUND UP



17<sup>th</sup> July 2026



## MESSAGE FROM MR FARRELL

As we reach the end of another wonderful school year, I would like to take this opportunity to reflect on just a few of the many highlights that have made this term so special.

Firstly, what an incredible Summer Fayre we enjoyed on Saturday! The weather was kind to us, the school was buzzing with families and friends, and it was fantastic to see our community come together once again. I am absolutely delighted to share that our PTA raised an amazing £2,251.17.

This simply would not have been possible without the dedication of our PTA and the many volunteers who worked tirelessly behind the scenes for weeks beforehand. From sourcing raffle prizes and organising donations to running stalls and helping on the day, so many people gave up their time to make the event such a success. On behalf of everyone at St Anne's, thank you. We are incredibly fortunate to have such a supportive school community.

The money raised will make a real difference to our children. We are delighted to be using some of the funds to repaint our playground with exciting new markings that will encourage active play, teamwork and physical activity during break and lunchtime.

We are also incredibly excited to begin work on a brand new area on our school field, St Anne's Meadow. This will be a peaceful space designed for children who would like a quieter lunchtime environment. With winding paths, seating areas and natural planting, it will provide somewhere to relax, chat with friends, read a book or simply enjoy being outdoors. We hope it will become a special place that supports children's wellbeing and reflects our vision of creating an environment where every child feels happy, safe and valued. We can't wait to share its progress with you over the coming months.

Yesterday, we also said farewell to our wonderful Year 6 children during their Leavers' Assembly. They should all be incredibly proud of themselves. They spoke with confidence, sang beautifully and reflected on their time at St Anne's with warmth, humour and gratitude. They have been fantastic ambassadors for our school and have truly lived out our values of Joy, Resilience, Respect and Creativity. We wish each and every one of them every success and happiness as they begin the next exciting chapter of their education.

Finally, I would like to thank every member of staff for their unwavering commitment, professionalism and care throughout the year. They work incredibly hard every day to provide the very best opportunities for our children, and I am immensely grateful for everything they do.

Thank you also to all of our parents and carers for your continued support throughout the year. Working together makes such a difference to the children's experience and success.

I hope you all have a safe, restful and enjoyable summer holiday. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in September for another exciting year at St Anne's.

Best wishes,  
Mark Farrell  
Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of another successful academic year, we would like to extend our sincere thanks to all staff for their continued dedication and commitment to St Anne's and the school community. We are also grateful to everyone who has supported the school throughout the year, including the PTA and our many valued volunteers.

We offer our warmest congratulations to our Year 6 pupils on their achievements in their SATs and wish them every success as they move on to the next stage of their education.

We hope all families enjoy a restful and enjoyable summer break, and we look forward to welcoming our new Reception children in the autumn term.

Yours sincerely,

Mark Harvey and Joe Gilbert

Co-Chairs of Governors, on behalf of the Governing Body of St Anne's

## CLASSROOM NEWS

### CLASS 3 AND R

In DT, Class 3 have made their own Light Exploration Kits to share their Science learning with Reception. Here are some of their final designs being shown to them.



### CLASS 1

🦋 What a fantastic day we have had at Great Fen!



Year 1 have had a wonderful day exploring the great outdoors! ❤️ The children have been busy den building, going on a nature walk, bird spotting and creating some beautiful nature-printed bunting. 🐦



It has been lovely to see the children exploring, working together, learning new things and enjoying everything nature has to offer. They showed fantastic resilience, joy and respect throughout the day, and we are incredibly proud of them all! ☀️

### CLASS 2

Year 2 have had a fantastic end to the year. They have shown amazing poetry skills and have written some amazing reports on the life cycle of a plant. All of them have worked incredibly hard this year and are ready to tackle key stage 2 in September. Have a wonderful summer year 2.



A little seed in the ground  
crack - What was that sound?  
Rocks are like a wiggly sack.  
A small, stable stem looks  
like a small gem.

A little seed in the ground  
starts to crack then - pop! -  
Small roots come out like  
a wiggly worm then a  
green, stable stem showing  
out leaves like a  
sucker sucking up some  
sunlight. Then a flower  
pops piping out of the  
top of the stem.  
The seed - pop! -  
the water drops  
the stem bends  
the leaves suck  
the head flowers bloom.

## Online Safety

**PARENT TOP TIP**

# BE SMART ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Let's work together to keep our school community safe, respectful and supportive online. ❤️



**DON'T UPLOAD**  
Please do not upload photos or videos taken on school site to any social media platform. This includes school events, activities and performances.



**RESPECT OTHERS**  
Please do not post or share pictures of other children in the class or at school. Always think about their privacy and safety.



**FOLLOW OUR PARENT AGREEMENT**  
Please follow the school's Parent Agreement for using social media. Together, we can promote positive and responsible online behaviour.



**THANK YOU**  
for helping us create a safe and happy environment for all our children. ❤️



**TOGETHER WE CAN...**

- ✔️ Protect children's privacy
- ✔️ Support a positive school community
- ✔️ Set a great example online

Be kind.  
Be thoughtful.  
Be responsible. ❤️

For more information, please refer to our Parent Agreement. ★

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income is less than £7,400  
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1<sup>st</sup> August.**

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## PTA News

Thank you everybody who has supported our fundraising events this academic year. We raised an amazing £2,251.17 at the Summer Fayre, and then a further £839.97 from the personalised Tea Towel sales.

Here is how some of the money has been spent lately to resource your child's educational experiences and enrich their time in school. The PTA have funded:

- A visiting pantomime
- New football goalposts for the field
- Forest School equipment
- Chess sets for Chess Club
- Purple Book Bags for new pupils
- Year 6 Leavers Jumpers (subsidised)
- Maths bead strings and bead bars
- Maths storage drawers for each class, to better organise maths resources
- Playground line painting (due to be painted over the Summer holidays)
- £100 for each class to help resource the classrooms
- £100 to resource Forest School
- A portable freezer for Frozen Fridays
- Ukuleles

Our next goal is to raise £4k to put towards the new St. Anne's Meadow, and to provide a shelter in the Forest School Area - keep a lookout for our thermometer to check our progress.

Want to get involved in our events? We always need helpers to ensure our fundraising initiatives run smoothly. Please email the PTA at [pta.stannes.gmc@gmail.com](mailto:pta.stannes.gmc@gmail.com) and we can add you to our Volunteers WhatsApp Chat. Or alternatively, complete a PTA contact form (available from the front office).

Leavers - to any leavers, especially Year 6, please consider donating your unwanted school uniform and leave in the donation box in the office foyer. We are always in need of larger sizes, especially purple and yellow colours, so these would be much appreciated. Thank you.

Have a fantastic Summer and see you in  
September - The PTA



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Tues 1<sup>st</sup> Sept and Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept - INSET DAYS**  
**Thurs 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept - Children start back at school**