



FRIDAY ROUND UP



1st May 2026



MESSAGE FROM MR FARRELL

Dear Parents/Carers

We are incredibly proud of our St Anne's girls' football team!

Over the past few months, they have enjoyed a fantastic run of success, winning a string of matches against other Cambridgeshire schools and progressing all the way to the quarter finals of the Henson Cup – a brilliant achievement, particularly for a newly formed team.

This week, the team faced Westfield Primary School. While the result didn't go our way, the girls delivered an outstanding performance and represented St Anne's with determination, teamwork and real pride. They should feel extremely proud of everything they have achieved this season.

What has stood out most has been the joy the children have shown throughout – it has been wonderful to see such enthusiasm, energy and those huge smiles at every match.

We are looking forward to several more fixtures before the end of term, which I am currently organising for both our girls' and boys' teams. I am excited to see how both teams continue to develop next season.

A huge thank you to all parents for their ongoing support, particularly with transport – it makes a significant difference. A special mention also goes to Coach David for his time, commitment and dedication in supporting the team's development.

Well done, girls – you have done St Anne's proud.

As the weather continues to get warmer, we would like to ask for your support in keeping children safe and comfortable during the school day.

Please ensure that sun cream is applied before your child comes to school, as staff are not able to routinely apply this during the day. Children do not need to bring sun cream into school unless there is a specific medical need.

We also ask that children bring a named hat or cap to wear during outdoor times. Unless there is a medical reason, sunglasses should not be brought into school, as they can easily become lost or damaged and are not practical for use during learning and play.

Please also ensure that your child brings a clearly named water bottle each day so they can stay well hydrated.

Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes

Mr Farrell

CLASSROOM NEWS

CLASS R

Class R have been thoroughly enjoying their “Creep, Crawl and Wriggle” unit, exploring the fascinating world of minibeasts and tiny critters. The children have taken part in exciting bug hunts and have learnt about a variety of British bugs and insects that can be found in the wild.

This week, our focus has been on the lifecycle of a butterfly. We have explored the much-loved story “The Very Hungry Caterpillar” by Eric Carle, which has also supported our learning in maths as we practised sequencing the days of the week. The children have had great fun taking part in a range of butterfly-themed activities!

We are very much looking forward to next week, when we hope to welcome some live caterpillars into the classroom. This will give us a wonderful opportunity to observe their transformation into butterflies before releasing them into the outdoor environment.

CLASS 1

This week in Year 1, we have been very busy! In English, the children have been writing their own versions of The Blue Coat, starting with hot-seating where they asked thoughtful questions to characters from the book. In Maths, we have been exploring equal and unequal groups, building a strong understanding through practical activities.

In Science, the children have been classifying different materials, sorting them based on their properties. In History, we have now finished our Victorian unit, ending with fantastic fact files that the children worked very hard on. In Art, we have been developing our weaving skills, and the children have really enjoyed creating their own pieces.



CLASS 2

This week in Year 2, the children have been working incredibly hard! In English, we have been finishing our setting and character descriptions, and the children loved using AI to turn their writing into real-life images before evaluating their work. In Maths, we have been focusing on fractions, developing our understanding through practical activities. In Science, we have continued exploring life cycles, moving on to the life cycle of a swan. In Computing, the children learned about animation and had a go at creating their own stop-motion videos. During Forest School, the children had a fantastic time making and playing with a seesaw, toasting and eating flatbread, and some even created butterflies linked to our life cycle topic. It has been a very busy week, and the children should be very proud of all their hard work!



SEND Hints and Tips by Miss Tavender

🗣️ Try These "Low-Pressure" Chat Starters

Standard questions like "How was your day?" can be hard for children with SEND to process.

Try these specific, sensory-based prompts instead:

"What made you smile today?"

"Show me with a thumb up/down—how was lunch?"

"What was the loudest thing you heard today?"

"Who did you sit next to in class?"

"If today was a color, what would it be?"

💡 Top Tip: Give your child at least 10 seconds to process the question before asking again. Silence is often just "loading time!"

PTA News

Don't forget the PTA Quiz Night next Friday 8th May - see attached poster for details. Bring snacks, drinks and cash, and a raffle prize donation if possible please.

Summer Fayre Planning Meeting

Want to help out at the Summer Fayre (which is on Saturday 11th July)? You could help run a stall, prepare resources, or set-up/tidy away. If you want to get involved, please come along to our Summer Fayre planning meeting which is on Tuesday 12th May in school at 8pm.



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
Thurs 11th June - Dress down World Cup Day
Fri 12th June - Class R Fathers Forest Session
Wed 17th June - Year 4 Faith Tour