

**St. Anne's Catholic Voluntary Academy**  
To be like Jesus.... wise, caring, honest and fair, today and every day  
Lightwood Road, Buxton, Derbyshire, SK17 7AN

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# Weekly Newsletter

8<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

Following on from our own Harvest liturgy on Friday, many of our children took part in a joyful Harvest Mass at St. Anne's Church yesterday – children acted out the Gospel story and danced after Communion. I know many of us who attended left with a huge smile on our face! Thank you to Father Gerry, to Mrs. Crowther and all the Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and their leaders who made the Mass so special. Fresh produce was sold for CAFOD and non-perishable produce donated to High Peak Nightstop.

## CAFOD Harvest Fast Day

Many thanks to all who attended our Harvest liturgy mentioned above and for all your donations of non-perishable foodstuff, which were also donated to High Peak Nightstop – I've said it once, but I'll say it again, I never cease to be amazed by your continuing generosity to help those in need. Thank You.

## Parent View

Thank you to all parents/carers who have taken the time to complete the Parent View questionnaire about our school. It was noted that a small number of parents who responded still have concerns about behaviour and bullying. I have discussed this with our Chair of Governors and she has suggested that we make the issue of bullying and what we do at school to deal with it, the focus of the next Governors' Open Session this Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> October, from 9am. Please come along if you would like to discuss this. A reminder that it is still possible to give your views on Parent View, if you haven't already done so.

## EYFS Open Morning and Afternoon

Some of you may have noticed our advertisement in the Buxton Advertiser for our open sessions aimed at parents of children who will be starting school in September 2019. The open morning is this Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> October, from 9.30 – 11.0 am and the open afternoon is on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October, from 1.30 – 3 pm. If you know of anyone who is in the process of considering a school for their September 2019 starter, please encourage them to come and look around to see what we have to offer!

## Prayers

Please remember the following in your prayers: Mrs. Berry's Uncle Arthur who died last week and John, a member of our cleaning staff, who is also unwell.

Also, one of our Reception children will, hopefully, be having a kidney transplant later this week – Good Luck Rory!



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## Statements to Live By

As part of our religious education, children will be learning about Statements to Live By. This is a list of 36 statements created by Catholic teachers in another diocese. Please find attached a letter explaining the statements; we will be focusing on Statements 1-4 this week.

## Grandparents' Day

Following the fantastic success of Dads/Male Carers' Afternoon last term, we will be holding a Grandparents' Afternoon on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October from 1.30 – 3 pm when grandparents can come into school and share activities with their grandchildren. All class teachers are leading different and diverse activities so put the date in your diary – again, more details to follow shortly.

## Stay and Learn

Another upcoming event that we've planned is a Stay and Learn session on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November when you can stay with your children for around 30 minutes to join in with their learning! If you have more than one child at school, we will be organising more sessions throughout the year so you can stay and learn with all your children! A letter with further information, will be sent nearer the time.

## Fabulous Fundraiser

Some of our children, Will and Reuben Clay, Elias and Henry Torkington, Eleanor and Alfie Holt, Evie Shelton and Brooklyn Mellor completed the Memory Walk for the Alzheimer's Society, in Buxton yesterday, for their grandad. They raised around £2,300 for the charity – a magnificent effort, well done to you all!

## Upcoming events

Remember to check the website/app/Dojo and newsletters for more information about future events.

Yours faithfully,

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