

"We Grow Together in God's Love"

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Lent at St Anne's RC

Mass

We mark the beginning of Lent on Ash Wednesday on Wednesday 5th March at 10.15am. We will be having an **Ash Wednesday Mass** in school led by our St Anne's ambassadors and our Parish Priest- Father Kevin Tierney. We hope that you can join us.



Maundy Thursday Mass. Father Kevin and the St Anne's ambassadors will be conducting Maundy Thursday Mass on Thursday 10th April at 10.00am all our parents are warmly welcome.

Lenten prayer bags

Each class will be given a Lenten prayer bag which the children can take home and share with their families to pray and reflect together. In the bag will be a candle, Lenten prayer, and a paper heart for you to write your Lenten prayer, which we will hang onto our Lenten Prayer Tree, in the hall. We would love to see some photographs of your family in prayer. Please either tweet us @StannesOL4 or email info@stannesrc.oldham.sch.uk so that we can share on the school newsletter.

'Lenterprise'

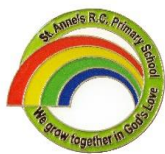
Each class will be taking part in their annual 'Lenterprise', in which they will all be given £10 and the aim is to come up with fundraising activities for their classes chosen charity.

This year in memory of Father Derek we are raising money for Dr Kershaw's hospice, you can donate directly here if you wish (but let us know so we can add this to your child's class total!)

<https://drkershawshospice.org.uk/get-involved/donations>



Last year's winners were Year 2 who raised £326.50 for the British Heart Foundation.



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Wearing purple

The liturgical colour for Lent is purple, therefore children (and staff) can wear any item of purple on a WEDNESDAY throughout lent. This could be purple socks, headbands, sashes etc.



Passion Play

We will continue with our annual passion play this year in which each class will recreate, through drama, dance and song the Passion Play. Unfortunately, due to space, we are unable to invite parents.

Stations of the Cross

The St Anne's ambassadors will be leading prayer stations at each station of the cross. The whole school will take a journey through school visiting each station and will have a chance to reflect and pray.

St Anne's ambassador lunchtime prayer

The ambassadors will be leading pupil prayer sessions in the Rainbow room every Wednesday lunchtime for children to participate in.

Laudato Si Committee:

Walk for lent campaign. As part of their action plan for the Live Simply Award, the Laudato Si have decided to start a whole school campaign to walk a collective 200km!! Each child will receive a sponsor form and every £1 raised will help fight poverty- one of their global actions.

Most of all, we would like to wish all our families a blessed Easter! May the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ bring forth a season of love, peace, and happiness for you and your family. Sending heartfelt wishes for a blessed Easter filled with love, laughter, and the abundance of God's grace.

Mrs Wainwright