

St Anthony's Newsletter

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A message from Mrs Hawthorne

Well done to our Reception and Nursery children who have now completed their second week in school. It is wonderful to see how well everyone is settling in.

The feedback from the parents' evenings is very encouraging, thank you for all your positive comments. Our staff have worked very hard to make these occasions so successful. Next Thursday we will have our final 'Meet the Teacher' session this term (Nursery).

This week some Year 6 children applied to be school ambassadors (a new opportunity for children). Their letters of application were all extremely well written and I am pleased to report that they all became ambassadors.

Have a good weekend.

Joanne Hawthorne

School Council



The School Council for 2018-2019 had its first meeting this week. Children from Reception to Year 6 voted for two representatives in each class. The School Council notice board is by the school office if you would like to read the latest minutes of meetings and find out more information.

The names of our school councillors are on the back page

Friends of St Anthony's School (FOSTAS)

We really are looking forward to this academic year's social and fundraising events and welcoming the school's new families to join with us in raising funds for classroom resources, trips and equipment.

A call for Class Reps

We need your help with FOSTAS events over the coming year, so would you like to be a class rep (you can do it jointly with another parent)? Our class reps communicate directly with parents to share information and ways in which you can volunteer with FOSTAS events. If you would like to be a class rep please let your child's class teacher know.

FOSTAS dates

2nd Hand uniform Sale - Monday 24th September 3.30-4pm small playground

FOSTAS Meeting Friday 28th September 9am St John Paul Centre

St Anthony's Bake-off CAKE SALE Friday 12th October 3.30pm small playground

CHRISTMAS FAIR Saturday 1st December 12-3pm School Hall

Secondary School Reference signing

Fr Gerry will be holding surgeries in the John Paul Centre on Thursday 11th October, 4-6pm and Saturday 13th October, 10.30-11.30 pm.

Secondary Transfer Meeting

Years 5 and 6 parents are invited to a meeting to meet representatives from Catholic Secondary Schools **next Wednesday 26/09/18** at 6.30pm in the school hall.

Representatives from the following schools will be present:

Bishop Thomas Grant

Sacred Heart

St Thomas the Apostle

St Michael's

Notre Dame

St Joseph's College

Coloma

St Philomena's

La Retraite

Bonus Pastor

Virgo Fidelis

Faith Life

- ♦ Children will be bringing home **The Wednesday Word** every week; please read it together
- ♦ St Clare's Class will join the parish for Mass in St Thomas More Church next Tuesday at 09:30.
- ♦ Fr Joe had lunch with the children today and visited Nursery and Reception
- ♦ Prayer for the week:

*God of Mercy
You chose a tax collector,
Saint Matthew, to share
the dignity of the apostles.
By his example
and prayers help us follow
Christ and remain faithful in
Your service.*

Today is the feast of St Matthew, Apostle

School Councillors

St Julie	Noah and Maia
St Joseph	Roberto and Dorothy
St Francis	Chizaram and Johan
St Theresese	Felix and Morireoluwa
St Anne	Freya and Adriano
St Agnes	Joel and Ayse
St Bernadette	Vwegba and Jael
St Peter	Vincent and Anna
St George	Freya and Jonas
St Patrick	Tony and Anna
St Clare	Gracie and Jake
St John	Niamh and Jordy
St Paul	Opeoluwa and Misty
St Thomas	Gabriel and Alessia
Head Pupils	Charlie and Manny

Governor Vacancy

There will be vacancies for two parent governors in the autumn term. If you are interested in becoming a governor of our school, or simply wish to know more about the role of governors, the National Governance Organisation has a lot of information (www.nga.org.uk).

If you decide you would like to stand for the role of parent governor, please contact Mrs Hawthorne via the school office.

Harvest Collection

We will begin our Harvest Collection for the Manna Centre next week. The centre provides support for homeless people in London. We will be collecting non-perishable items (tins and packets), toiletries and clothing.

Posters are around the school with more details of what the Manna Centre needs most.

We will have a short Harvest Liturgy on Thursday 4th October (feast of St Francis) before all that has been donated is collected by workers from the centre.

Please be generous.

It's a boy!

Congratulations to Jack and Leila on the birth of their baby brother, Teddy. Teddy is in hospital at the moment and the family have asked for your prayers

Puzzle



If a cheese and a half costs half of a half of a pound, how many cheeses could you buy for a pound and a half?

Open Morning

There will be an open morning on 28th September for new parents interested in sending their child to St Anthony's. Other open mornings will be held later in the term. Tell your friends about us and invite them to come along!

Barry House Needs your Help

If you have a pushchair or toys that are no longer needed, they would be gratefully received by Barry House (beside The Bread of Life Café).



Champs!

Well done Bea and Taidgh, who received a singing certificate (Grade 1) and a squash trophy in assembly this morning

Have a good weekend!