



St Anthony's Newsletter

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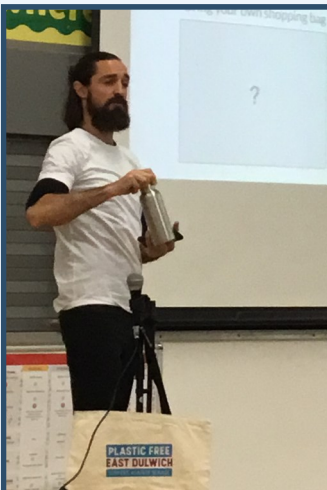
Induction Mass

On **Thursday 31st January at 2pm** in St Thomas More Church, Bishop Pat Lynch will celebrate the induction Mass for Mrs Hawthorne. Parents are very welcome to come and be part of this important event. Older children will attend and there will be light refreshments in the school hall afterwards.

100% Attendance

Last term there were **151 children with 100% attendance**. This is excellent and reflects the importance families place on children being in school. The children were given special certificates today in recognition of this great achievement. Children who achieve 100% attendance this term (regardless of their autumn %) will receive certificates at the end of term.

Our overall school attendance rate is 97.5%, which can be compared favourably with the national rate for primary schools (2018) of 95.8%.



Plastic-free

On Monday Ric Baldock, from Plastic Free East Dulwich, came to talk to the children about the environmental impact of single use plastic. A lot of plastic ends up in the sea where it can choke the animals that live in it. The plastic stays as plastic for up to 400 years so it is time we seriously considered alternatives to single use plastics. The school council will be considering ways the school community can help.

The Riot Act



Educational theatre group, The Riot Act, visited Year 5 this week. Here is Alexa's review:

It was a very touching story about two best friends. One walked into the road with his phone in his hand (so he was distracted) and he got hit by a car. Their lives changed on that day. The person who got hit stopped going to school and the friends drifted apart. However, in the end, they were meeting each other frequently. The performance taught us an important lesson in road awareness.

Thanks Alexa.



Book Corner Competition

An essential part of any classroom is its reading area, often known as 'the book corner'. We are

currently having a competition to see which class can build the most inviting reading area (there will be a prize for the best class). Children and teachers have begun and have until the end of this half term (Friday 15th Feb). Do not be surprised if teachers ask you for any cushions, rugs and fabrics that you can spare.

St Thomas the Apostle OFSTED

We would like to congratulate **St Thomas the Apostle College** (Nunhead) on their recent **outstanding** grade from **OFSTED**. The school is within our deanery (Camberwell). You may also be aware that the other Catholic secondary school in our deanery, Sacred Heart, is also graded outstanding by OFSTED.

Safeguarding:

The Safeguarding team in St Anthony's:

Mrs Hawthorne (Headteacher)
Mrs Macdonald (Assistant Headteacher)
Mr Croft (Assistant Headteacher)
Mrs Shotton (Special Needs Coordinator)
Miss Robertson (After School Club)

If you are concerned about a child, speak to one of the team.

Key Dates

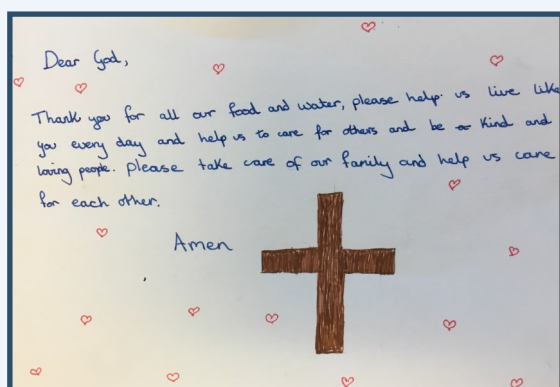
- 6th March:** Ash Wednesday
- 12th March:** Class photographs
- 27th and 28th March** (Wed, Thurs): Parent-teacher meetings
- 3rd April** (Wed): Years 3 and 4 production
- 4th April:** Lent liturgy in St Thomas More Church
- 5th April:** end of term (2pm)



Faith Life

- ♦ The Wednesday Word this week is **JOY**
- ♦ This Sunday is the **2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**; the Gospel is from **John 2:1-11** *Jesus turns water into wine (see the picture at the top of the newsletter)*
- ♦ **St Clare's Class** will join the parish community for **Mass** at St Thomas More Church next Tuesday at 9.30am; parents are encouraged to join them if they are able
- ♦ **St Julie's Class** will be leading the **assembly** next Friday at 9.00am; parents and family friends are welcome to come along

Prayer for the week:



Thanks to Genevieve in St Thomas' Class for this lovely prayer

St Thomas More parish news

John Paul Centre Refurbishment begins Monday 21st January. Works include: new windows, lighting, heating, kitchen and redecoration. It will take about three months to complete.

Sunday Mass times: Saturday 6.30 pm (vigil Mass)
Sunday 8.30am, 10.00am,
12.00 noon, 5.30pm

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It's a boy!

Congratulations to Loulou-Belle (Our Lady's Nursery) and her brother Tommy-Rebel on the birth of a baby brother, Rudy-Kid. Our best wishes go to the family.

RIP

We pray for the repose of the soul of Miss Jones' (learning support) mother, who died earlier this week. Our prayers and sympathy go to Miss Jones at this difficult time.



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Friends of St Anthony's School

St Anthony's School Disco

Friday 8th February 2019

School Hall

Tickets £3.50
Includes disco, snack and mufti

Wear own clothes to school
no football kits and sensible shoes please

3.30-4.45pm Junior disco: reception, year 1, 2 & 3
5-6.30pm Senior Disco: year 4, 5 & 6

All pupils must have a ticket to attend





Children in Year 3 made Second World War oaty biscuits today. This is follows up their history topic but they also needed to know a lot of maths and science to make them!

Puzzle Corner

Which whole number less than 1000 has the most factors?



Congratulations to Ava in St John's Class who correctly answered last week's question (it was the frog). Ava received a special maths pencil as a prize.

If you think you can work out this week's question please send your solution to Mr Croft.