

Happy Christmas

Dear Parents, Carers and friends of St Anthony's,

We have reached the end of our first term and, as always, we are incredibly grateful for all we have. St Anthony's continues to be at the heart of our little community and we celebrate the vibrant richness of our school life, the achievements of our children, and the values that make our community so special.

Our Advent preparations and celebrations have encouraged all of us to think more deeply about Christmas and many of our children have embraced the challenge of doing things joyfully this week. The carol service, on Wednesday, was a moving and reflective event and we are incredibly proud of the children's contributions — singing, acting, playing instruments and reading. We are also very touched by the comments from parents and the wider community about the ways in which the children in our school 'reach out' and welcome others.

The children (and you) have supported a number of charities this term and we have received beautiful letters of thanks from Macmilian Support, the Manna Centre and Wear it Pink. We have also raised £280 for The Catholic Children's Society's Crisis fund during our Advent season.

Finally, thank you for all of your generosity, Christmas cards, Christmas blessings, time, amazing cakes and gifts.

Wishing you all a happy and holy Christmas with your friends and family. See you all on <u>Tuesday 7th January</u>.

God bless,

Joanne Hawthorne and all the staff at St Anthony's

Carol Service



On Wednesday this week, we held our Carol Service in St5 Thomas More Church. Each year group prepared their own carols, Year 6 children read and Reception portrayed the Nativity in a series of tableaux. It was a wonderful opportunity for the whole school to come together to worship before the end of term.

Special thanks to Miss Yianni, Miss Brand and Cathy (Harry and Zach's mum) for the music and to Fr Gerry for the use of St Thomas More Church.

CARE Awards

Well done to all children who received a CARE Award today (Consideration, Achievement, Respect and Effort). These awards are given at the end of each term to pupils nominated by staff for outstanding attitude

Each child received a certificate and a book prize.

Jayden
Ardan
Eri
Alessandro
Nayla
Alesha
Nicole
Xiomara
Emanuel
Kaela
Florence
Joseph
Rosa
Emil
Micah

Elliot
Anthony
Jessica
Oliver
Cait
Lorcan
Doren
Ismael
Peter
Cian
Pierce
Cameron
Christian
Rebecca
Bea

Bertie
Josephine
Khaleed
Monae
Henry
Tristan
Danita
Isaiah
Michael
Daniel
Cateley
Moses
Katie

Grace

Filippo

Zuzanna Elspeth Alfonso Lamek Callum Sadie Fern Ifunanya Freya Ina Tobias Sofia Emefa Jasmin

Fatima





Faith Life

- The Wednesday Word is MARY
- ♦ This Sunday is the Fourth Sunday in Advent Year A (Matthew 1:18-24 Mary becomes pregnant by the power of the Holy Spirit)
- The liturgical colour for this Sunday returns to violet, the usual colour for penitential seasons. It will remain purple until Christmas when it will become white or gold

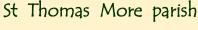
Dear Lord,

Trinity

As it is coming to Christmas let us remember that we should care sor each other. We pray sor the people that are homeless, give them a home and good to eat we are killing the world and we all have a part to six it. We also pray sor our sanity and sriends and our work so we can work harder at shood and at home

Amen.

Thanks to Trinity in Year 4 for his thoughtful prayer in the season of Advent.



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Christmas Masses:

Tuesday 24th December: Christmas Eve

5pm Carols

5.30pm Family Mass (first Mass of Christmas)

11.30pm Carols

12.00 Midnight Mass

Wednesday 25th December: Christmas Day

8.30am Mass

10am Mass

12 noon Mass

The church will close after the 12 noon Mass

Sunday Mass times: Saturday 6.30 pm (vigil Mass)

Sunday 8.30am, 10.00am,

12.00 noon, 5.30pm

Children's Liturgy: during the 10am Mass

Parish email: dulwich@rcaos.org.uk Telephone: O2O 8693 5070

http://www.stthomasmorechurch.co.uk/

Calendars

Our school calendar is now for sale at £10 each or 2 for £17. They contain all the essential information such as holiday dates and key term event dates and have a lovely class photo for each month. Available from the school office.



Being a Parent Course

Empowering Parents, Empowering Communities (EPEC)

This 8 week course helps parents learn practical communication skills for everyday life & bring up confident, happy and co-operative children

Open College Network Accredited

When: Wednesdays @ 09:15am - 11:15am

Starting: 22nd January 2020 (Intro Session) 29th January – 25th March 2020

(Weekly, excluding half-term)

Where: John Ruskin School

John Ruskin Street, London, SE5 0PQ

This is a free course for mums, dads & carers of children aged 2 – 11. Crèche availability for babies & children up to 4 years. Crèche places limited – please book.

For course bookings or crèche availability please contact:

020 7703 5800 or office@johnruskin.southwark.sch.uk

Please note that the school circulates information on clubs and events from external providers from time to time. These are for information purposes and no recommendation is given or implied.

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Puzzle Corner

In this calculation, each letter stands for single digit (so all the T's are the same, as are all the B's and so on). Write down the sum using digits instead of letters.

L E T T E R S

A L P H A B E T +



Answer to last week's puzzle: 3 (for all of them)

Well done Debbie for finding an alternative solution