



St Anthony's Newsletter



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"...amongst the top 3% of primary schools in the country!"

From a letter received from Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP; based on pupil progress in reading, writing and maths from the end of Year 2 to the end of Year 6.

International Women's Day



This Sunday is International Women's Day, a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women. To mark this occasion, we were pleased to welcome Nicky, Noah's (Y6) mum (aka Judge Howard) to speak at assembly today. She talked to us about

becoming a QC in the world of Law and the challenges that she has faced along the way. Niamh in year 6 was appointed judge in St Anthony's Court. She is wearing Nicky's wig and gown and holding the letter she received from the Queen.

Parents' evening (18 and 19 March)

Please use online booking

<https://stanthonysdulwich.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/>

Safeguarding

An information leaflet, **Protecting children in education settings** (published by Southwark Council) has been emailed to parents. It covers the role educators play in safeguarding children, procedures that are followed and how parents and carers can support schools. Paper copies are also available from the school office.

Key Dates

- 7-15 Mar: British Science Week
- Tues 10th Mar 6pm RSE consultation meeting
- Wed 18th, Thurs 19th March: parents' evenings
- Wed 1st April: The Way of the Cross (Year 4)
- Friday 3rd April 2pm: End of Term

World Book Day

From the Cat in the Hat to the Tiger Who Came to Tea, St Anthony's celebrated World Book Day by dressing up as book characters. Staff as well as children got involved and there were special lessons throughout the day to promote the joy of reading. Children were given **book tokens** last week, which they may use at the **Travelling Book Fair**, which will be open at the beginning and end of each day until Tuesday next week.



WORLD
**BOOK
DAY**

Coronavirus

Dear Parents and Carers,

The DfE issues a daily briefing for schools and we are following their guidance closely as we are aware that this information can change. In addition, we receive a daily briefing from the local authority who are liaising with Public Health Southwark throughout each day.

The current advice remains in place: No school should close in response to a suspected (or confirmed) COVID-19 case unless advised to do so by Public Health England. All of this information can be found <https://www.gov.uk/government/topical-events/coronavirus-covid-19-uk-government-response>

The importance of hygiene

Personal hygiene is the most important way we can tackle COVID-19, especially washing hands more; and the catch it, bin it, kill it strategy for those with coughs and sneezes. Practically, the children are being reminded about regular hand washing; there is a plentiful supply of soap in the toilets. As parents, it would be helpful if you could show your children the correct method for washing their hands and that you remind them to use and then dispose of a tissue when coughing or sneezing.

Thank you for your support.

Joanne Hawthorne



Faith Life: Lent 2020



- ◆ The Wednesday Word is **ENCOURAGEMENT**
- ◆ This Sunday is the **2nd Sunday in Lent, Year A** (Matthew 17:1-9 *The Transfiguration*)
- ◆ We are raising money for **CAFOD** this Lent, parents may donate through **PARENTPAY (CAFOD Lenten Appeal)** but note this can only be done once.
- ◆ The RE topic across the school will be **Lent** for the rest of this term
- ◆ **St Patrick's** class will join parishioners for the **09:30 Mass at St Thomas More Church** next Tuesday; parents are encouraged to join them
- ◆ **Stations of the cross:** every Friday in St Peter's classroom 8.30am
- ◆ The **TenTen March newsletter** has been emailed to parents

Dear Lord

At this time of Lent, we think about people and loved ones. We think about people who have less than us. God help us to be grateful for all we have. Make them to be showered with lots of blessing as they go on with their lives. Amen

David



Thanks to David in Year 4 for this lovely Lenten prayer.

St Thomas More parish news

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

First Communion Class: Saturdays at 10.30am

Parish Priest: Fr Gerry Mulvihill

Parish email: dulwich@rcaos.org.uk

Telephone: 020 8693 5070

Contact Details

If your contact details change, please inform the school office straightaway.

Choir

Our choir had its first practice this week. The choir is run by Miss Yanni from Southwark Music Services. They will perform in a concert we are planning for the summer.



Church Visit

Our nursery children visited St Thomas More Church this week. Fr Gerry welcomed them and helped them to explore. In this photo they are looking at the font. We are grateful to parents who helped and of course to Fr Gerry.

FOSTAS News

The recent **cake sale** raised **£376.56** and the **school disco**, last month, raised **£1,363.30**. Thank you to everyone who helped at these events. There will be a **school uniform sale on Friday 20th March, after school in the small playground**. Please bring in any unwanted but good condition uniform to leave it with the office. There will be a **FOSTAS meeting**, open to all parents and carers, on **Friday 20th March**, after drop-off (09:00). Venue TBC.

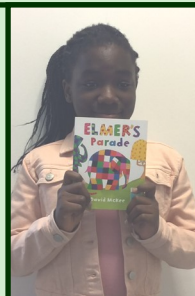
Attendance %

Nursery	93.02
Reception	96.27
Year 1	96.25
Year 2	94.91

Year 3	98.13
Year 4	95.59
Year 5	96.48
Year 6	98.45

Thanks!

Claire's (Y5) mum works for a publishing house and has persuaded the company to donate some books for the school. We have been sent a box full of 'Elmer's Parade' by David McKee.



Puzzle Corner

Using a calculator, find two whole numbers (between 1 and 100) which, when one is divided by the other, give exactly 0.1234567

Solution to last week's question:

all the even numbers from 1 to 16 (10,321,920)



Public Health
England



Advice on the coronavirus for places of education

How serious is the coronavirus?

- it can cause flu-like symptoms, including fever, cough & difficulty breathing
- the infection is not serious for most people, including children
- there is currently no vaccine
- most people get better with enough rest, water to drink and medicine for pain

How likely are you to catch the virus?

- you can only catch it if you have been close to a person who has the virus
- the chance of being in contact with the virus is currently low in the UK
- if you have travelled to areas where many people are infected, your chance of catching the virus is higher, i.e. China and any affected areas

How can you stop coronaviruses spreading?

If you need to cough or sneeze



Catch it
with a tissue



Bin it



Kill it
by washing
your hands with
soap & water or
hand sanitiser

You should wash hands with soap & water or hand sanitiser



After breaks
& sport
activities



Before
cooking
& eating



SCHOOL
ETC.
On arrival at
any childcare
or educational
setting



After using
the toilet



Before
leaving
home



Try not to touch your
eyes, nose, and mouth
with unwashed hands



Do not share items that come
into contact with your mouth
such as cups & bottles



If unwell do not share items
such as bedding, dishes,
pencils & towels



Stop germs spreading with our e-Bug resources on hand and respiratory hygiene lesson plans for KS1, 2 and 3: campaignresources.phe.gov.uk/schools

What should you do if you feel unwell?

Keep away from others and stay at home to stop the infection spreading. Avoid public transport if you think you have symptoms of coronavirus. If you become unwell at a place of education, tell a member of staff and let them know if you have travelled to any other countries in the last 14 days.

If your staff member or parent thinks you have symptoms of coronavirus, they should call **NHS 111** for advice. Follow the UK Government advice for childcare or educational settings [gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19). Parents can visit [NHS.UK](https://www.nhs.uk) to find out more information. Teachers and support staff should follow the UK Government advice.

Staff, students and pupils who have returned from Iran, specific lockdown areas in northern Italy, special care zones in South Korea or Hubei province China (returned in the past 14 days) should self isolate, and NOT attend education or work for 14 days.

See [NHS.UK](https://www.nhs.uk) for advice on coronavirus.



If there is an emergency, call 999 immediately