



St Anthony's Newsletter

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*May is
the month
of Mary*

"...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.

Looking ahead

We are now at the end of the first half of the summer term, marking seven school weeks since the country began lockdown (nine if you include the Easter holidays). This week Southwark schools have been making preparations to begin a gradual reopening for some pupils, from 1st June. Every school is different in terms of its needs and the resources (space and staffing) it has to meet them, safely and responsibly. Parents were emailed a letter this week with more details of how we intend to begin the process. When a child returns, they will be allocated to a hub of 15 children and 2 adults. Over the month of June, we hope to create an increasing number of these hubs.

Parents who indicated in last week's survey that they would like their children to return to school, or who are undecided, will be contacted by the school one week before their child's year-group hub is due to start.

This week the Church celebrated the Feast of the Ascension, when the risen Jesus returned to heaven, and we now look ahead to Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples. The retelling of the events of Pentecost (Acts of the Apostles Ch 2) describes a time when a group of people emerged from their own lockdown to face the world with renewed strength and a determination to encourage others to live better, more meaningful lives.

As we ease our lockdown, perhaps we could ask the Holy Spirit to strengthen us and guide us:

*Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and
kindle in them the fire of your love.*

Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.

And You shall renew the face of the earth.

Have a good half term break!

Music—Can't Stop the Feeling!

Can you sing, dance or play an instrument? Southwark Music Hub and our music teacher, Maya Yianni, have asked us to contribute to their sing/play along project during lockdown. All children are invited to sing along to 'Can't Stop the Feeling' or play their musical instrument.

All links are on the flyer that was emailed to parents earlier this week. Entries must be submitted by 31st May to the Southwark Music hub.

Health and Well-being

The #DailyMileAtHome

Before lockdown, children at St Anthony's were involved in The Daily Mile initiative. Most schools in the UK were involved and it made a big difference to children in terms not only of their physical health but also their well-being and resilience.

There is now Daily Mile guidance for use at home, so families can enjoy the same benefits. These come from 15 minutes or more of walking, running or jogging in the fresh air – doing it at whatever pace suits you best and wearing what you'll feel most comfortable in.

<https://thedailymile.co.uk/at-home/>

Staying active is more important than ever, and even if you're mostly in your house at the moment, there are plenty of ways you can achieve this. Being active in a way that is right for you can improve your physical health, help manage stress and anxiety, and generally make you feel better.

Southwark Council have produced a document, **Keeping Southwark Active**, with useful links for children and families, adults, and older people. The pdf has been attached to today's parentmail.



Faith Life

Come, Holy Spirit



- **Wednesday Word** this week is **HELPER**
- This Sunday is the **7th Sunday of Easter** the Gospel for the day is John 17: 1-11 ("Father, glorify your Son.")
- Next Sunday is the feast of **PENTECOST** Gospel John 20: 19-23 ("As the Father sent me, so am I sending you: receive the Holy Spirit.")
- **The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales** website has some excellent links for prayer and online masses <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/>
- **May** is traditionally a month when we honour **Mary**; there are many online resources showing how to pray the rosary
- **Year of the Word: Wisdom 1: 7**

Since the Lord's spirit fills the entire world, and holds everything in it together, she knows every word that people say.

St Thomas More Parish News

The church is currently closed. Fr Gerry is saying Mass privately in church every day for the intentions of parishioners.

Re-opening of Churches: Our bishops have been making the case for the opening of churches for private prayer. Together with leaders of other faiths they were due to meet a government task force, led by the Secretary for Housing and Communities, Robert Jenrick, on Friday 15 May. More news to follow.

Sunday liturgy (online)

Streamed Sunday Mass CAMBERWELL: Sacred Heart <https://www.sacredheartchurchcamberwell.co.uk/livestream.php>

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/primary-subscription/prayers-for-home/sunday-liturgy-for-families/>

children's liturgy: <https://cafod.org.uk/Education/Children-s-liturgy>

Weekly Offering: At this difficult time parish income is considerably reduced. If you do not already have a Standing Order for the parish, please consider setting one up, the details are: **St Thomas More Church, Sort code 60-23-19 Account number 44136757**. Thank you.

Baby items available

A parent has kindly offered a pushchair/buggy and some baby cloths (0-3yrs and 3-6yrs) if they would be of use to anyone. Please contact the school office if interested.

Eva Schloss



Eva Schloss is a holocaust survivor who has dedicated her life to human rights and educating young people. She has been a friend of the school for many years. She wrote to Mrs Squire in the office this week.

*Dear Florence,
So nice to hear from you and specially that the school was not completely closed and that you could carry on working and that all of you are OK.*

Elisabeth and I were on a speaking tour in March in the U S when the VIRUS was reaching the US and everything was cancelled and we came back and have been on lockdown ever since. But luckily we are OK.

Lets hope that next year I will be able to come again to your lovely school.

Keep well. Much love

Eva

Virtual Holiday Club

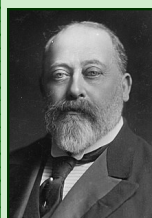
Nimble Arts Holiday Activities is a locally based online holiday club. For more details:

<https://www.nimblearts.co.uk/nimble-adventurers-live>

Puzzle Corner

Maths Can you draw a triangle where each of its angles is a square number? (Clue: the total of the three angles in a triangle is always 180°)

General knowledge



123 years ago exactly (22nd May 1897), one of London's most important transport projects was completed and opened to the public by the then Prince of Wales (pictured). It is still in use today. What is it?

Words 'accidentally' is a long word, but not the longest. What is the longest word you can think of?

Last week's solutions:

Maths: see grid

General knowledge: Florence Nightingale

Words: astronomer

1	2	4	8
5		2	3
7	7	1	
2	6	3	9

The Gallery

Well done Seren!



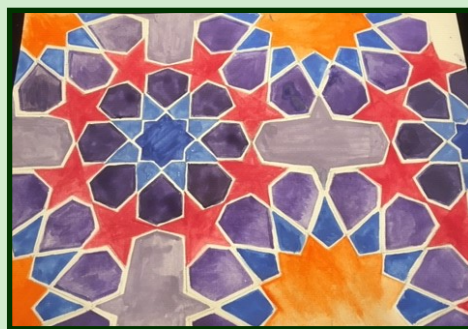
Seren (Y4) 1st Prize

Congratulations **Seren in Y4** for coming **first in the 8-11 category of the Dulwich Festival Art Competition**. It is wonderful to see our children developing their talents and having them recognised in the community.

<https://dulwichfestival.co.uk/art-competition-2020-theme-sustainability/>



Claire Y5



Ms Abbas Y5



Claire Y5

Safeguarding: useful numbers

Southwark duty desk (all safeguarding matters and enquiries) 020 7525 1921 020 7525 5000 (out of hours)

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CHILDLINE 0800 1111



Gabriele, Reception



Flora, Reception



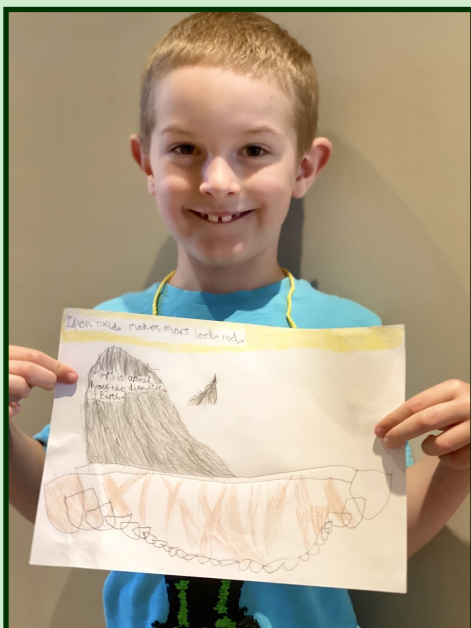
Caitlin, Reception



Elspeth, Reception



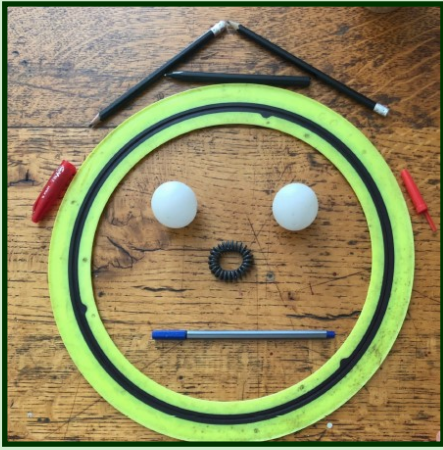
Malique, Reception



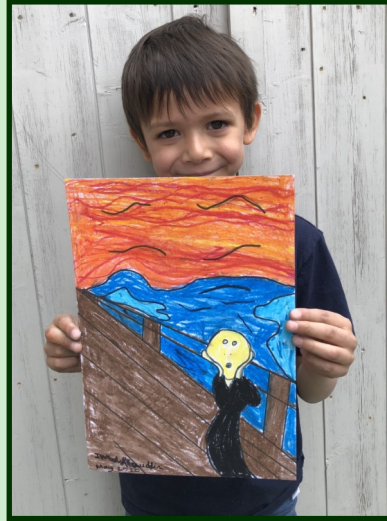
Hunter, Y2



Chizaram, Y2



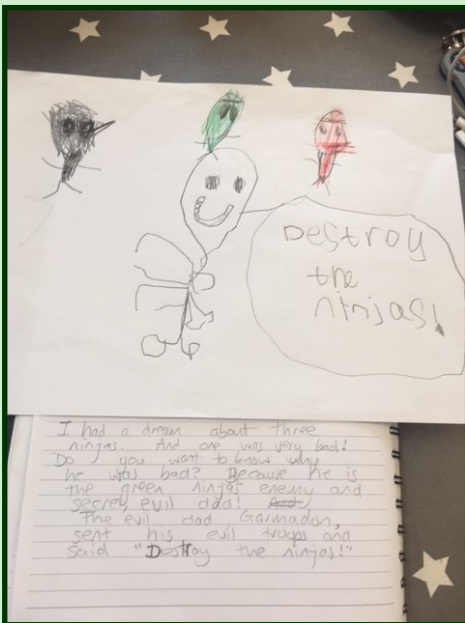
Gabriel Y2



Ishmael Y2



James H, Y2



Oliver, Y2



Norenzo, Y4

Wednesday 1st April 2020

Hi Tyrell,
I hope you are ok and I hope you had a good day. I just wanted to write to you because my day was crazy! Guess what I saw today? From a distance I saw what they done to Jesus and how he died. It was so sad

The men picked up Jesus so that he could be crucified. They made him carry the big heavy cross a long way. You could tell the cross was heavy because Jesus fell over and the men was shouting at him and told him to get up. Jesus did not make no fuss, that's very sad because the cross was very heavy and they can see that Jesus was struggling but they was shouting at him. He then got up and carried on walking. Then Jesus saw his mother and she cries and tells him to stay strong. If I saw my mum I would cry for help as I know it would be the last time I would probably see her.

A lot of other things happened to him, he fell many time his clothes got taken so he was basically stripped and he got nails in his hand and was hammered to the cross. Then he eventually died. His mum and close family friends were really sad about his death. I really think that the way Jesus was treated was unfair and was a really hurtful thing for not just me but the community also.

Hope to hear from you soon
From: Norenzo

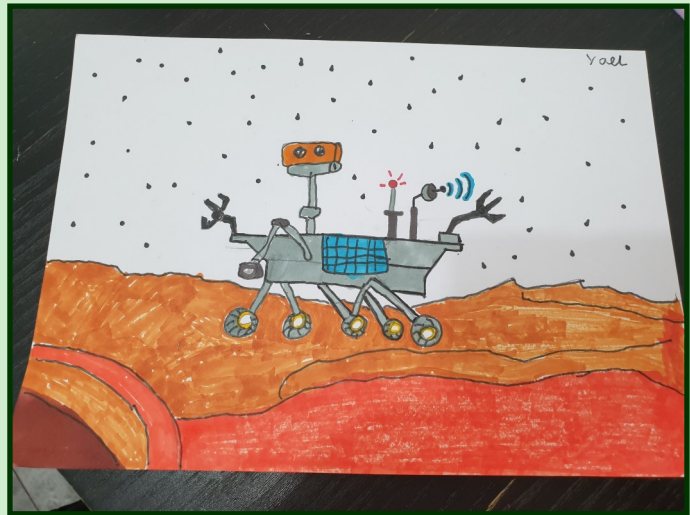
Norenzo, Y4



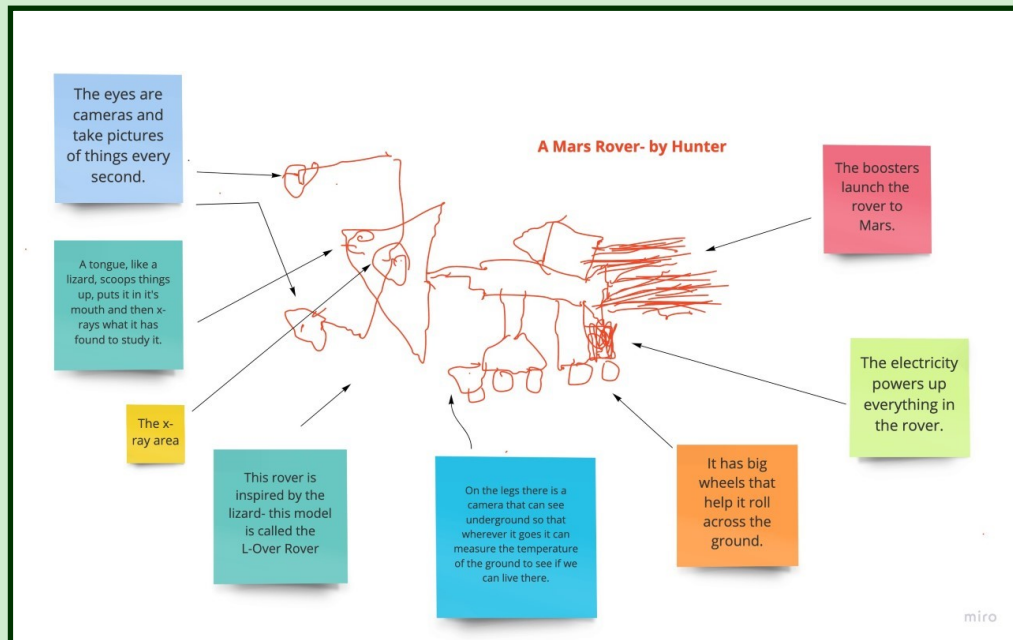
Harley and Harrison, Y2



Trinity, Y4



Yael, Y4



Hunter, Y2

THE SCREAM

Who painted it? Edvard Munch.
 When? 1893.
 Where was it painted? In Oslo.
 Where can we see it? In Norway's National Gallery in Oslo.
 What is happening in the painting? I think the man is going "Aaaaaa aaaaaa aaaaaa aargh!"
 Maybe he has seen a whale, and it was going to gobble him up, or maybe he thought the sky was on fire. I like it, because I like the colours, and I want to see it in real life.

Ishmael, Y2