



St Anthony's Newsletter

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Month of the Rosary

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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.

As part of our Covid-19 arrangements, we now have school assemblies on Zoom. This means we can still come together as a community at the beginning and end of the week. Our Monday assemblies usually focus on the Gospel message from the previous Sunday, while on a Friday, as well as sharing the Word of God, we also celebrate the achievements of the pupils. Today, we celebrated birthdays, three new prefects, Jake, Eva and Keannah,



received their badges and Cameron showed us his certificate for Grade 4 Drums (with merit). If your child receives an certificate outside school, we would be happy to share it on a Friday.

Have a good weekend!

Lost Property

Please ensure that all children's clothing is clearly labelled with their full name.

Safeguarding – mental health

Tomorrow is World Mental Health Day. The slogan this year is 'Do one thing' and we are being encouraged to do something extra in our day to promote good mental health. This could be a walk in the park, talking to a neighbour or having a go at a puzzle. The charity Mind has a lovely calendar of things to do.

<https://www.mind.org.uk/get-involved/world-mental-health-day/>

If you are concerned about a child's well being or you have a question about safeguarding, please contact **Mrs Macdonald, Mr Croft or Mrs Hawthorne.**

Black History Month

Ruby and Isabella were out in Brixton last weekend and found the special black pillar box.

The challenge to find it is open to everyone and you are welcome to send your photo to the school and to tweet it on our twitter page.

@StAnthonysSE22



Parent-Teacher meetings

These have been scheduled for Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th November, after school. You will understand that face-to-face meetings are currently impossible but parents will be asked to meet their child's teacher through a video link. The meetings are scheduled to last ten minutes only.

Details for signing-up to follow soon.

Parking

You may have noticed our special 'parking wardens' appearing in different locations around Etherow St and Friern Rod. These are visible reminders to **'think before you park'**. We ask that parents avoid parking over driveways or using the car park for the flats on Friern Rd. This means there will be times when it will be necessary to park further away, so please allow plenty of time.

Key Dates

Fri 23 Oct: INSET (school closed to children)

26-30 Oct: HALF TERM

Fri 18 Dec 2pm: END OF TERM



**COVID SYMPTOMS?
GET TESTED NOW.**



Faith Life



- October is traditionally a month of devotion to Our Lady and children have continued to pray the **rosary** this week
- The Wednesday Word** this week is **INVITATION**
- This Sunday is the **28th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year A**: Gospel: Matthew 22:1-10 (*God is like a king who invites us to a banquet.*)
- You can meet **Fr Bart** on our website, where there is a video of him introducing himself and sharing a prayer

Dear Lord,
Pray for the people who are vulnerable to coronavirus and for those who do not have clean water or nutritious food. May the world leaders help with this tough situation and may the families who are finding covid 19 difficult stay in your ~~your~~ prayers. Give thanks to CAFOD who have changed the world and the way animals and people live. Lord hear our ~~best~~ beautiful worded prayers about this life changing pandemic.
Amen

Thanks to Florence in Year 5 for this lovely prayer.



St Thomas More Parish News

Mass Times

- Sunday: (Vigil Saturday 6.30pm) 8.30am, 10.00am, 12 noon & 5.30pm
- Monday–Friday: 9.30am (no Saturday morning Mass)
- Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 9-10am and 6-6.20pm

Masses are restricted to 60 people and face coverings must be worn while inside the church.

Secondary Transfer – parents looking to have school reference forms signed need to bring them to the Parish Office on Mondays before 16.00 at the latest. Fr Gerry has kindly agreed to countersign them. Signed forms can be collected on Wednesdays or Fridays. Please make sure the Priest's Reference Form is included. If asked for a Certificate of Catholic Practice, this can be found online. Please print it out and add to the pack. Other supporting letters will not be issued.

Parish Priest: Fr Bart Dudek
Tel: 020 8693 5070

Year of the Word—Luke 11: 9-10

And so I say to you: Ask, and you will receive; seek, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For those who ask will receive, and those who seek will find, and the door will be opened to anyone who knocks.

CAFOD Harvest Appeal

The children joined with other schools and families across England and Wales this morning, to watch a **special national assembly** about CAFOD's Coronavirus Appeal at Harvest this year.

To help ensure our sisters and brothers in greatest need around the world have access to water, food and adequate healthcare, parents may donate to CAFOD through **Parentpay**.

We are encouraging children to decide with their families on one action they can do to raise money. It may be that the whole family decides to do without a dessert one mealtime or that if children buy sweets at the Red Apple (sweet shop nearby) after school, they give it a miss.

Whatever you decide to do, all money received will be greatly appreciated and will go a long way to helping people most badly affected by poverty and the impact of the coronavirus.

Peckham Pantry

The Peckham Pantry on Peckham Park Road will open its doors next Friday. It will be a community shop where local residents can access a range of services. The pantry will also offer fresh and healthy food for less.

A sister project to Southwark Foodbank at Pecan, the shop is a membership scheme community shop aiming to offer dignity and choice for its members, providing support to people on a low income or people recovering from crisis.

www.pecan.org.uk/peckham-pantry

020 7732 0007

Manna Centre

St Thomas More Church is currently collecting for the Manna Centre near London Bridge. Items needed include: **Food** (tinned): vegetables, meat, fish; curry and pasta sauces; rice; cooking oil; biscuits. **Toiletries**: razors, toilet- and kitchen-rolls. **Clothing**: shoes, jeans, underwear, socks.

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.

New baby!

Congratulations to Joshua (Y5) on the birth of his baby sister.

Puzzle Corner

A farmer took ninety nine eggs to market in four baskets. In each basket she carried an odd number of eggs. How?

Answer to last week's puzzle: 9

