



St Anthony's Newsletter

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Friday 16th October 2020



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.

There has been a definite cold-turn in the weather this week. Despite this, we are still keeping windows and doors open for ventilation and children are going outside for three 20 minute breaks every day. Make sure your child eats a good breakfast before school and wears warm clothing such as a vest.

We continue to be vigilant with our hygiene measures. Tables are sanitised three times during the school day and again after school by our cleaning staff. Children also wash their hands for 20 seconds several times a day and it would be good if you could remind them of its importance.

Stay safe and remember, Hands-Face-Space!

Have a good weekend!



Black History Month

The children are continuing with their studies for Black History Month—be sure to ask them about it.

Olivia has found the black pillar box in Brixton. Here she is looking very smart beside it.

With half term just round the corner, more people might have time to find it and send in their photograph.

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Parent-Teacher meetings

These have been scheduled for **Wednesday 11th** and **Thursday 12th November**, after school. Parents will be asked to meet their child's teacher for a ten minute meeting through a video link.

Details for signing-up to follow soon.

Safeguarding

The **Lucy Faithfull Foundation**, a child protection charity dedicated to preventing child sexual abuse, has developed a toolkit, **Stop It Now**, for parents, carers and professionals to help them be aware of the risks of harmful behaviour in children and young people. The toolkit contains lots of advice around a subject that can be difficult to talk about.

<https://www.stopitnow.org.uk/>

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**.

Reading Challenge

The National Literacy Trust have launched a great whole school reading challenge called 'The Reading Tree Challenge', to encourage pupils to seek and share recommendations of books to read and a reading-for-pleasure culture. The challenge involves displaying a tree poster in classrooms and challenging children to fill the tree with leaves representing the books they have read. The class which fills their tree with the most 'books' will win £100 to spend on books for their reading corner.

The challenge is running up to 27 November and includes books read on electronic devices.



Key Dates

Fri 23 Oct: INSET (school closed to children)

26-30 Oct: HALF TERM



**COVID SYMPTOMS?
GET TESTED NOW.**

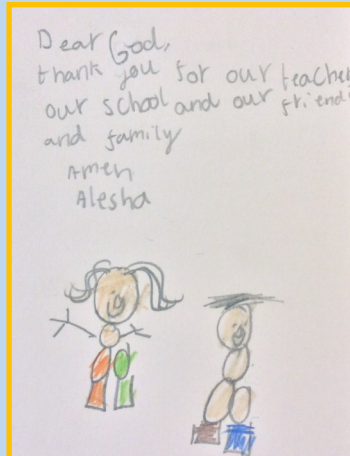


Faith Life



- 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 **29th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year A**: Gospel: Matthew 22:1:15-21 ("Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to God.")
- You can meet **Fr Bart** on our website, where there is a video of him introducing himself and sharing a prayer

Thanks to Alesha in Year 3 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.

Masses are now being livestreamed—details are on the parish website

Manna Collection: items may be left in the box at the back of the church (see last week's school newsletter for list)

Secondary Transfer – reference forms to be signed may be left at the parish office on a Monday and collected on a Wednesday.

Parish Priest: Fr Bart Dudek

Tel: 020 8693 5070

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

Year of the Word—Philippians 2: 15-16

You will shine in the world like bright stars because you are offering it the word of life.

CAFOD Harvest Appeal

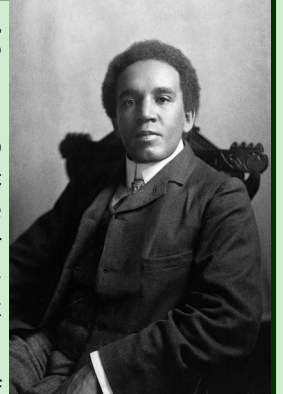
Last week children were encouraged to do one thing to raise money for our CAFOD Harvest Appeal. Whatever has been raised can be given to CAFOD through parentpay.

Thank you for your generosity.

<https://cafod.org.uk/>

Southwark Listening Project

Southwark Music Services, who provide much of our music education, are focussing on the work of London-born composer Samuel Taylor Coleridge (1875–1912), as part of their Black History celebrations.



If you would like to hear some of his work you can go to the YouTube link- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=84HZ_fEwD9s recorded Feb 2020 at the Southbank Centre's Queen Elizabeth Hall. The piece is from the **Othello Suite, Opus 79**

Played by **Chineke! Orchestra**—the name means "creator of great things" and is a joyous exclamation in Nigeria's Igbo language—it is the first BAME orchestra in the UK!

School Photographs

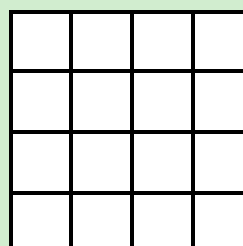
Children will have individual photos taken on **Thursday 22 October**. On this occasion they will not be able to have a group photograph with their siblings.

Be extra smart that day!

Attendance

Congratulations to St Anne's, St Bernadette's, St Joseph's and St Patrick's classes who all had **100%** attendance this week. Attendance for the school for the week was **98%**, which is excellent.

Puzzle Corner



Use 4 red, 3 blue, 3 green, 3 yellow and 3 black counters so that no two of the same colour are in the same row, column or diagonal.

Answer to last week's puzzle: 3 baskets with 33 eggs in each, then the three baskets in one large basket.