



St Anthony's Newsletter

Year of
St Joseph

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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.

Google Classroom is proving to be a great success, with pupils and staff becoming very proficient at using its many facilities. Whether it is for registration, assembly or small group work, it really has made learning much more accessible. Our **remote learning offer**, which is on our website (under 'our school'/school policies), outlines the school's commitment to providing a high quality learning experience for all learners during these difficult times.

In the same part of the website, you can also see our **Privacy Notice** for pupils and parents, which has just been updated

Parents have asked us if parent teacher meetings will go ahead this term. We have scheduled these to happen on 10 and 11 March from 3.30pm. As with last term, the meetings will happen via video link and parents will receive an email invitation to book a slot nearer the time.

The weather looks set to be wet this weekend, so again you will need your waterproofs when you go outside. While you are out see how many different birds you can spot and support the RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch.

Have a good weekend!

Children's Mental Health week

Next week is Children's Mental Health Week. The theme this year is **Express Yourself** and children will be exploring ways they can express their emotions, for example through poetry, art or music.

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/parents-and-carers/>



Birthdays

Many happy returns to the following pupils, who have birthdays this week: Ghita (N), Ayomide (Y1), Cait (Y2), Blessing (Y3), Anna (Y3), Autumn (Y4)

Designed by Caitlin (Y1)



Church tours

Fr Bart has recorded a lovely tour of St Thomas More church, in response to a request from the Reception children. So everyone can see it, we have uploaded it onto our website (interactive). Thank you, Fr Bart!

Oxford Owl—online library

We have subscribed to Oxford Owl, which provides educational resources and free eBooks to support children's learning at primary school and at home, from Oxford University Press. This includes access to 550 books online! Mrs Hawthorne shared the resource with parents in a zoom session this afternoon. This will be repeated on Monday 1 Feb at 5pm, for those who missed it.

Lockdown lunches

change 4 life

The NHS healthy living initiative, Change 4 Life, has produced recipe cards for ideas on creating nutritious, value for money meals.

<https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/lunch/cheap-lockdown-lunch-ideas>

Parents' feedback

"Thank you for all you are doing. [Our child] is feeling very cared for and well looked after by you all. Your patience and enthusiasm is palpable. You literally all have the patience and positivity of Saints."



**KEEP
SOUTHWARK
SAFE**

Protect your
friends and family

**COVID SYMPTOMS?
GET TESTED NOW.**

**nhs/coronavirus
OR CALL 119**

NHS
Test and Trace

Southwark
Council
southwark.gov.uk

Faith Life

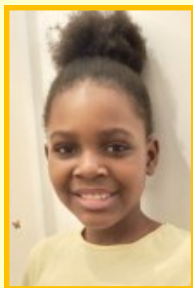


- The Wednesday Word this week is **TEACHER**
- This Sunday is the **4th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)** (Mark 1:21-28): *Jesus heals a man at Capernaum and people recognise the power of his message*
- Tuesday 2 February is the **Feast of the Presentation of the Lord** (Gospel—Luke 2: 22-40); the feast is commonly known as **CANDLEMAS**

Dear God,
We thank you that you have kept us alive through these horrible times. We pray for the people that are sick in hospital so that they may get better and go back to their families.

We also pray that you will protect the NHS and keyworkers for the good work that they have been doing. And we pray for the teachers for teaching us and helping us when we need help.

Amen.



Thanks to Trinity in Y5 for this lovely prayer.

St Thomas More Parish News

Sunday Mass:

Vigil Mass, Saturday 18:30; Sunday 08:30, 10:00, 12:00 and 17:30 (maximum 60 people). All masses are streamed; there is currently no obligation to attend Mass on a Sunday.

Additional Mass on Tuesday 2 Feb for the Feast of the Presentation 7.30pm: please do not bring candles from home for blessing

IMPORTANT

First Holy Communion Preparation 2021 postponed

Due to COVID-19, parish preparation for Reconciliation and First Holy Communion this year will need to be postponed. This will resume when it is safe for the preparation classes to go ahead. In the meantime, **please contact Fr Bart if you are able to help as a catechist or catechist helper.**

Parish Priest: Fr Bart Dudek

Assistant priest: Fr Peter Ehinmiro

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

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If Candlemas Day be fair and bright

Winter will have another fight.

If Candlemas Day brings cloud and rain,

Winter will not come again.

What will you see?



Count the birds and enjoy time with nature
[rspb.org.uk/birdwatch](https://www.rspb.org.uk/birdwatch)

The RSPB is a registered charity in England and Wales 207076, in Scotland SC037664. House sparrow by Shutterstock

Big
Garden
Birdwatch
29-31 January 2021

How many birds can you spot this weekend? Please send in any photos you take.

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/get-involved/activities/>

Safeguarding

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.**

Puzzle Corner



History

On this day in 1595, a famous play, written by this man, was performed for the first time. What was the play and who wrote it?

Maths

Using any letter only once, what are the largest and smallest numbers that you can write down in words?

Example: EIGHTY

But not NINETY as N is used twice

Last week's answers

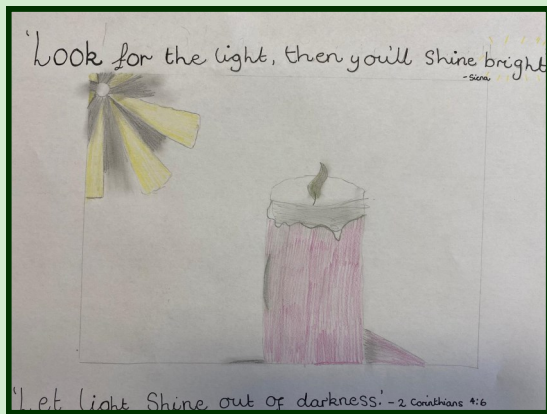
History: Queen Victoria

Maths:

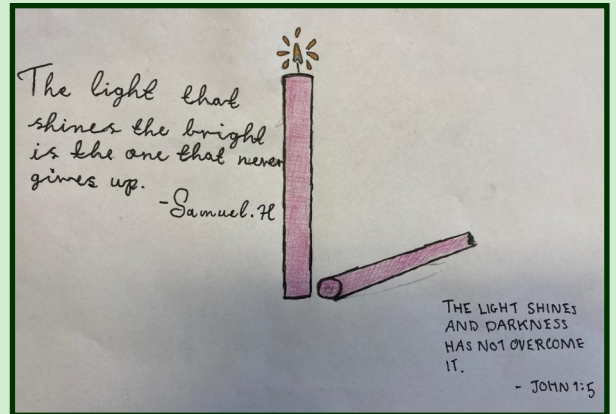
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Please note that the school circulates information on clubs and events from external providers from time to time. These are for information purposes and no recommendation is given or implied.

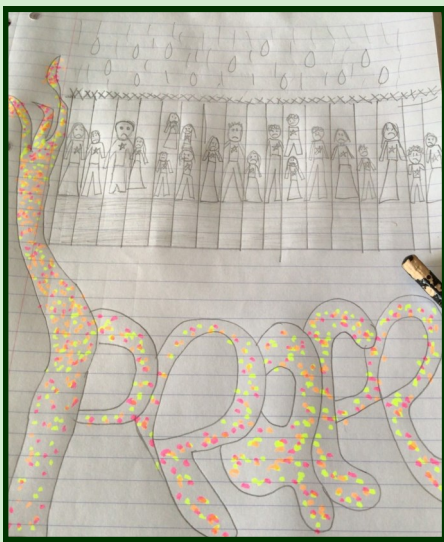
Holocaust Memorial Day—27 January



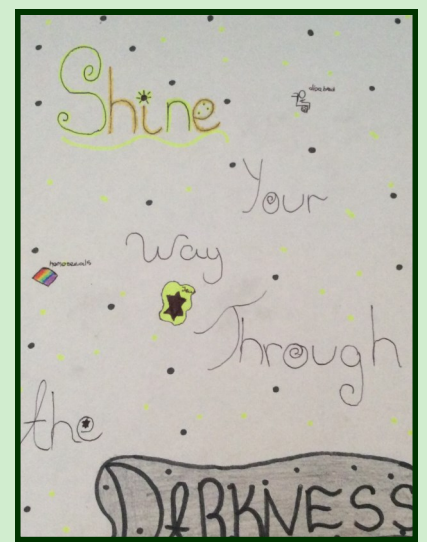
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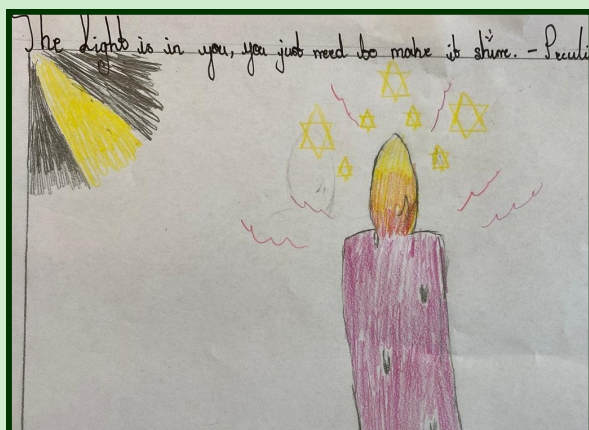
Samuel



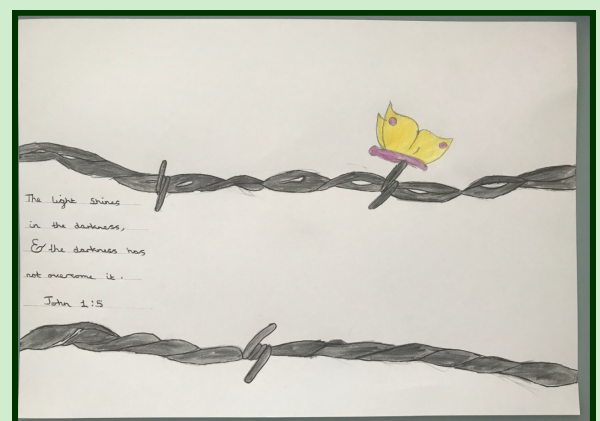
Emily



Nicolle



Peculiar



Sofia

Children marked Holocaust Memorial Day with prayers. This work by Year 6 is on the theme of shining a light in the darkness.

The Gallery



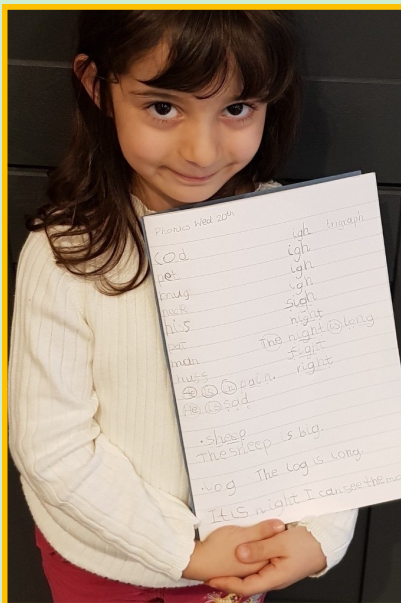
Lois-Ann (R)



Oscar (Y6)



Albert (R)



Elpitha (R)



Chigozie (R)



Rachel (R)



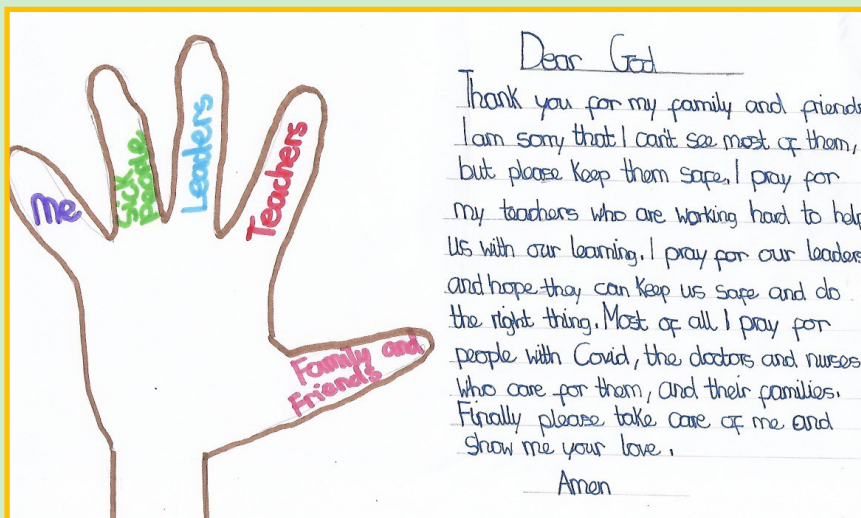
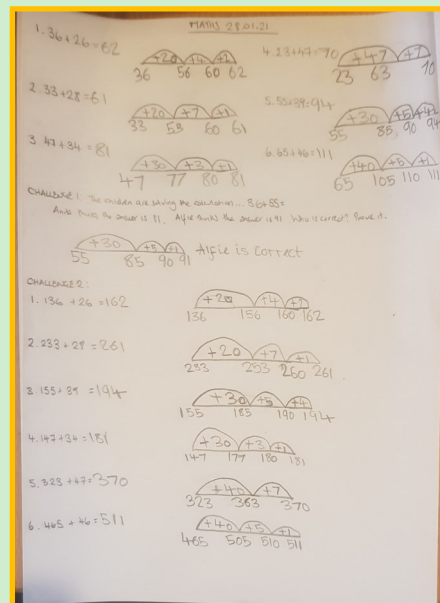
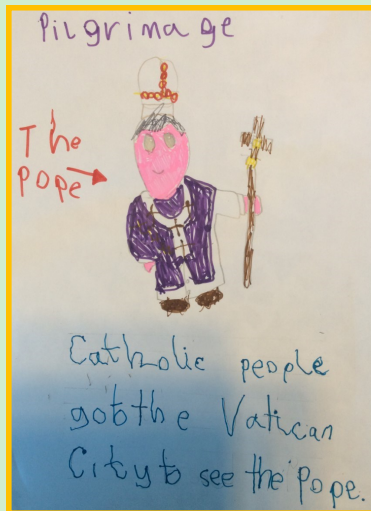
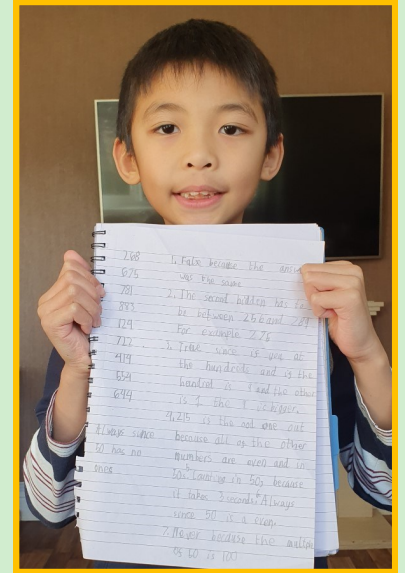
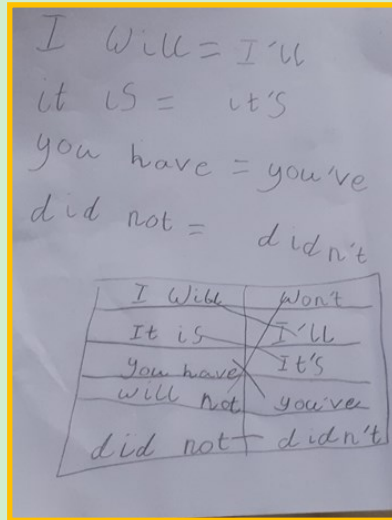
Soren (R)



James (R)



Edrie (R)



If you would like to share any of your work in the newsletter, please send it to your class email and ask your teacher to send it to Mr Croft.