

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.

The term so far has seen our learning community make a huge leap as learners and their teachers embraced **Google Classroom**. This facility for accessing lessons and meeting up with teachers throughout the school day has allowed our young people to make good progress, despite the constraints of distance learning. We thank children, parents, teachers and support staff for all their hard work over the past weeks.

Half term is now upon us, which means we are over half way through the school year! Next week sees the start of Lent and, as a school, we have decided to support **St Christopher's Hospice** (Sydenham) as our response to the call to give for the benefit of others. We are all (pupils and staff) going to walk 40 miles in 40 days, asking friends and family to support us in raising funds for this essential local service.

Enjoy the coming days, especially if you are celebrating Chinese New Year, St Valentine's Day or Pancake Tuesday. If you have any photographs of your celebrations please send some in, we would love to see them.

The weather looks to be warmer next week, so you should have plenty of opportunity to get out as a family and look out for more first signs of spring!

Have a good half-term break!

https://www.stchristophers.org.uk/

Birthdays

Many happy returns to the following pupils, who have birthdays this week:



Mary (R), Zuza (R), Kaydrianna (R), Kaliym (Y1), Melisa (Y1), Olivia (Y1), Eri (Y1), Nanette (Y2), Noah (Y2), Yoela (Y3), Aine (Y3), Gabriel (Y3), Michelle (Y3), James (Y4), Vwegba (Y5), Winnie (Y5), Estelle (Y5). William (Y6), Osaze (Y6), Adriel (Y6), Jack (Y6) Card Designed by Olivia (Y1)

The snow this week gave children in school and at home the opportunity to make snow people. This snowfamily is the creation of some children in Year 3. They appeared on Monday and they're still there!



Parent Teacher Meetings

These will take the same format as last term (videolink) and are scheduled for <u>Wednesday 10 and Thursday 11 March</u> from 3.30pm until 6pm. Booking now open (see Parentmail sent 11 Feb)

Lent fundraiser—off to a good start

To contribute to our Lent fund, which will go to St Christopher's Hospice, please use our **JustGiving** page. https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/st-anthony-s-catholic-primary-schooldulwich The challenge officially starts on Thursday 18th February and runs until Monday 29th March. However, people have already given in excess of £600! - **Thankyou**

School will be closed all of next week for half-term

Track and Trace over the break

If parents and carers have a child who develops symptoms of coronavirus within 48 hours of being in school and who receives a positive test between **Saturday 13th February and Thursday 18th February**, you need to contact the school so that we can organise the 'Track and Trace' of all known contacts. (contact jhawthorne@stanthonys.southwark.sch.uk.)

Parents' feedback

"Everywhere I turn I hear the extra effort put into providing a happy friendly atmosphere in school as well as online."



COVID SYMPTOMS? GET TESTED NOW.





Faith Life



- The Wednesday Word this week is COMPASSION
- This Sunday is the 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) (Mark 1:40-49): Jesus heals someone with incurable
- Next Wednesday, 17 March is Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent (day of fasting and abstinence from meat)
- Sunday 21 Feb will be the first Sunday of Lent (Mark 1:12-15): Jesus goes into the desert for forty days
- Stations of the Cross will be available every Friday in Lent at 12:00 on Google Classroom (assembly room)





Thanks to Anna in Y3 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.

Ash Wednesday Mass times: 09:30, 18:00, 19:30

Stations of the Cross: Fridays in Lent, 19:00 (also streamed)

IMPORTANT

First Holy Communion Preparation 2021 postponed. Please contact Fr Bart if you would able to help as a catechist or catechist helper.

Parish Priest: Fr Bart Dudek Assistant priest: Fr Peter Ehinmiro Tel: 020 8693 5070 http://www.stthomasmorechurch.co.uk/

Email: dulwich@rcaos.org.uk



May your constant love be with us, LORD, as we put our hope in you.

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.

What is Lent?

Lent is the season in the Church's year when we prepare for Easter through prayer, fasting and giving. It begins on Ash Wednesday when people traditionally have their foreheads marked with ash. The 40 days of Lent remind us of the 40 days Jesus spent fasting and praying in the desert. Fasting does not have to mean missing meals, it could mean eating less or doing without a favourite food and giving the money saved to a good cause. Many people choose to give up something for Lent (e.g. sweets) but others try to do something extra (e.g. children may help out more at home). A common devotion during Lent is The Stations of the Cross. These are usually displayed around the walls of a church and tell of Jesus' last journey.

Things to do next week (ctrl + click)

Storytelling with Sally Pomme Clayton Wednesday

17th Feb at 2pm to 3pm: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ the-ancient-story-adventure-tickets-130801517861

Young Artists' Summer Exhibition: art competition

https://youngartists.royalacademy.org.uk/

https://www.colourcutstick.com/chinese-new-year

Nimble Arts virtual holiday club https://

www.nimblearts.co.uk/virtual

Cookery for children https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/ recipes/collection/kids-cooking-recipes

Nature trail https://www.countryfile.com/go-outdoors/ the-10-most-welcoming-signs-of-spring/

Free digital theatre for families and schools https:// www.unicorntheatre.com/

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.

Southwark Safeguarding 020 7525 1921 **Childline** 0800 1111

Puzzle Corner

History



"Able was I, ere I saw Elba!" is a translation of something that might have been said by this person who died 200 years ago. Who was he, why might he have said it, and what is unusual about the sentence?

Maths

What mathematical symbol can be placed between 5 and 9, to get a number greater than 5 and smaller than 9?

Last week's answers

Words: eukharistia "thanksgiving, gratitude,"

Maths:

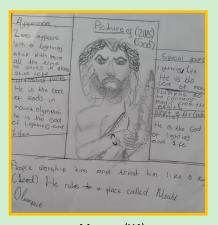
The Gallery



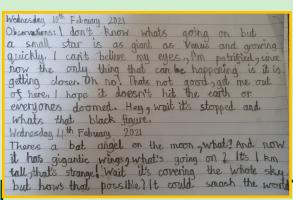
Alex S (Y4)



Alex M (Y4)



Maame (Y4)



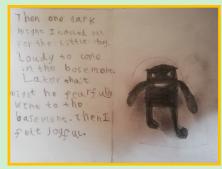
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Dear Wise Owl

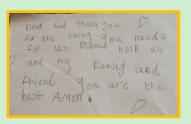
When you are online, remember to be safe because people can be hackers. If people aren't your real friends you should not make them friends online. Only open websites that are trustworthy because people may pretend to be real but they are not. Always check with your trusted adults if you are not sure of anything.

From Callum

Callum (Y2) For Safer Internet Day

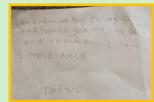


Onyx-Elie (Y2)



Kehinde (Y1)





Taiwo (Y1)



Zion (Y3)



Anna (Y3)



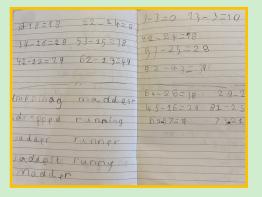
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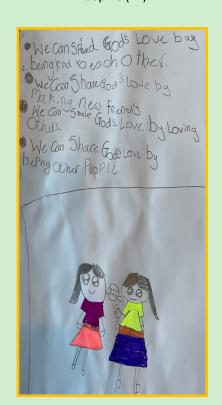
Henry (Y2)



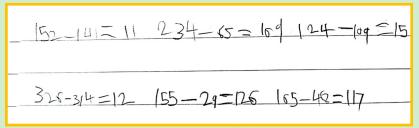
Viki (Y2)



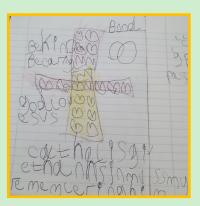
Sophie (Y2)



Cecily (Y2)



Noah (Y2)



Serena (Y2)



Nathan (Y6) and Othniel (Y)



Arthur (Y2)



Fern and Harley (Y3)

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.







Josiah(Y5)



Micah (Y6)



Jonas (Y6)



Jonny (Y2)



Lamek (Y2)



Tommy-Rebel (N) and Loulou-Belle (Y1)



James (Rec) with Fr Bart



Rachel (Rec)



Ethan (Rec)



Daniel (Y4)



Jaida (Y3)



Oliver (Y4)



Frankie (Y3) and Harry (Y5)