

# St Anthony's Newsletter

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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.

Attendance since we returned after the last lockdown has been exceptionally good, at 98.2%. This means that our children have been able to make the most of returning to school and all its associated benefits (not least the social and emotional aspects of being back with one's peers). The beginning and end of the day continues to run very smoothly but we are conscious that it would be better if the start and end times could be the same for everyone. We will therefore start this in the week beginning **10 May, when we will allow Y1 and Y2 parents back on site** to collect their children. More details of how this will work safely will follow soon.

Parents are keen to have our streets as a safe as possible and some have contacted Southwark Highways about this. Etherow St is a busy thoroughfare because of the buses but there may be measures the council can put in place, so you may wish to contact them directly to encourage this. Remember Monday is a bank holiday, so school will be closed.

*Have a good weekend!*

[Highways@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:Highways@southwark.gov.uk)

<http://schoolstreets.org.uk/>

## Road Safety

Drivers should now be aware that we are placing cones along the double yellow lines and in front of driveways as a reminder that the roads around school should be kept clear. Please note, the car park for the flats is for **residents only** so it may be necessary for those who drive to **leave home a little earlier and park away from the school**, walking the last stretch (and enjoying the ever-improving weather!)

## Scooter safety

If your child scoots to and from school, remind them about road safety, particularly when crossing roads. One of our children narrowly missed being hurt this week by not paying attention on the road.

## Full STEAM ahead!



Children across the school have this week been involved in projects celebrating STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics). Here, Jasmine, Daniel, Aleksandra, Joshua, Thomas and Sebastian have designed and built a bridge for the billy-goats Gruff!

## Online safety: YouTube

Children love to watch videos and YouTube is always a firm favourite! But sometimes children can be exposed to videos that are not meant for them. **YouTube Kids** <https://www.youtube.com/kids> is a safer way for children to explore their interests. You can find more information about this from on [YouTube: what parents need to know](#).

**Remember, primary-age children should be supervised at all times when online.**

## Important dates:

**3 May: Bank holiday**

**31 May—4 June: Half Term**

**Monday 7 June: INSET**

**Thursday 22 July: End of Term (2pm)**



**COVID SYMPTOMS?  
GET TESTED NOW.**



**NHS**  
Test and Trace



# Faith Life

## Year of St Joseph

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/year-of-st-joseph/>



- **The Wednesday Word** this week is **GROWING**
- Tomorrow is the feast of **St Joseph the Worker**
- This Sunday is **the 5th Sunday of Easter, Year B**, John 15:1-8 (*I am the true vine and you are the branches.*)
- May is the month of Mary: children will be invited to say the rosary throughout the month

Dear Sir Captain Tom Moore,  
You are an inspiration to everybody, raising money for the NHS,  
saving lives in the war, becoming a war hero. Everybody is doing a  
100 challenge in memory of your birthday. You are amazing, you  
are a legacy, you are Sir Captain Tom Moore. Thank you, we  
Amen pray for you.

Thanks to Florence in Year 5 for this lovely letter to mark  
Captain Tom's birthday.

## St Thomas More Parish News

### Sunday Mass:

Vigil Mass, Saturday 17:00, 18:30; Sunday 08:30, 10:00,  
12:00 and 17:30 (maximum 60 people and streamed).

**First Holy Communion Preparation 2021 postponed.**  
Please contact Fr Bart if you would be 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](mailto:dulwich@rcaos.org.uk)

## Sad news

We were sorry to hear of the death of our neighbour, Pat. Pat  
lived on Etherow St for many years with his wife, Betty (Betty  
died a few years ago). He was a good friend of the school and a  
familiar and friendly face in the community.

*May he rest in peace.*

## Safeguarding

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

Southwark Safeguarding 020 7525 1921



Sing a new song to the LORD!  
Sing to the LORD, all the world! Psalm 97

## CAPTAIN TOM 100

DO IT YOUR WAY

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April - Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May



Today would have been Captain Tom's 101st birthday. To  
mark this, children are being encouraged to do 100 things  
over the weekend. This can be for charity or simply to be  
mindful of all that has happened over the last year.

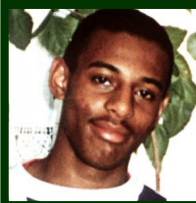
<https://captaintom100.com/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3ZVAgjNWvOo>

Already today, Romane and Nicolle in Y6 have completed  
100 cartwheels, flips and hops!

## Good news

Congratulations to Naomi and Chimamanda on the birth  
of their baby brother, Raphael. We send the family our  
very best wishes.



## Stephen Lawrence

Stephen Lawrence was born the 13<sup>th</sup> of  
September 1974 and died the 22<sup>nd</sup> of  
April 1993.

He was a black British teenager from Plumstead in Southeast  
London, who was murdered in a racially motivated attack  
while waiting for a bus in Well Hall, on the evening of the  
22<sup>nd</sup> April 1993. His murder led to the partial revocation of  
the rule against double jeopardy. Two of the perpetrators  
were convicted of murder in 2012. After the initial  
investigation, five suspects were arrested but not charged. It  
was suggested during the investigation that Lawrence was  
killed because he was black. He died when he was 18 years  
old. His father was Neville Lawrence who was a  
carpenter and he is Jamaican. His mother was  
Doreen Lawrence and she was a special needs  
teacher and is Jamaican like her husband.

*After Stephen Lawrence Day, last week, Romane (Y6)  
found out more about him and sent this in.*



## Puzzle Corner

**Maths:** 1, 5, 14, 30, 55 What comes next?

**Geography:** This country  
is the largest by area in  
Africa. Which country is it?



### Last week's answers

**Maths:** E, N, T (first letters of numbers 1-10)

**Science:** William Shakespeare