

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.

The summer term is traditionally when all children across the school have a **One World** topic to find out more about another country. Children have been learning in detail about the language, culture, geography and history of their class' particular country and they have been sharing this with the rest of the school in special assemblies, shared on Google Classroom. So far we have heard about Tanzania, Ghana, Mexico, Brazil, Spain, France and Australia. Next week, we will have a special 'One World' menu for school lunches: a different country every day!

This global theme is a timely reminder of Pope Francis' encyclical, **Laudato si'**, his letter addressed to every person on this planet, asking us all to protect our common home, the earth. Encourage your child to be mindful of our impact on the environment and maybe this weekend, agree on what you can do as a family. It might simply be using both sides of a piece of paper or reducing food waste.

Have a good weekend!

Reports

End of year reports for Reception-Y6 have been sent home with children today. Once parents have read them, we ask that they complete and return the comments and acknowledgement slip at the back.

Clothes labelling

Ensure your child's jumper is clearly labelled with their name. Over time, names written on labels fade in the wash so **please check and re-mark if necessary**.

Meeting for new parents

Monday 5 July, 09:30 Reception

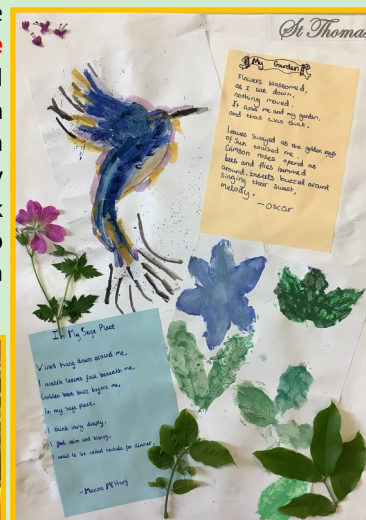
Tuesday 6 July 09:30 Nursery

This is an opportunity for parents, who have a child starting in Nursery or Reception in September, to meet the staff and see a little more of our school.

National Writing Day 2021

23 June was **National Writing Day**, an annual celebration of the power of writing creatively, inspiring people of all ages and abilities to try writing for fun and self-expression.

Children used the theme **Connecting through Nature** to write some beautiful poems, which have been collected and displayed in a large book in school. You may have seen some of the work on twitter but here are two examples, written by Manon and Oscar in Year 6.



Attendance and Punctuality

Attendance this week 92.7%; Punctuality 97.9%

*There has been an increasing number of children displaying Covid-like symptoms and parents have rightly taken the precaution of booking a PCR test for their child, when this is the case. **Always follow medical advice if you are unsure.***

Important dates:

Thurs 22 July: End of Term (2pm)

Thurs 2 September: new academic year begins



**COVID SYMPTOMS?
GET TESTED NOW.**

**nhs/coronavirus
OR CALL 119**

NHS
Test and Trace

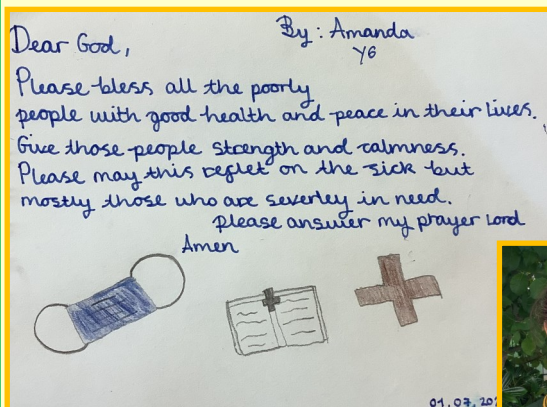
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Faith Life

Year of St Joseph

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

- The **Wednesday Word** this week is **WELCOME**
- Sunday 4 July: **14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)**, Mark 6:1-6 (*A prophet is not welcome in his own country*)
- Sunday 11 July: **15th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)**, Mark 6:7-13 (*Jesus begins to send out his apostles*)
- the **Feast of Saints Peter and Paul**; children joined in the streamed Mass from St Thomas More parish—thanks to Fr Bart for helping us celebrate this holy day
- In **RE**, children are studying their final topic of the school year: the **Universal Church**



Thanks to Amanda (Y6) for this lovely prayer



St Thomas More Parish

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

Preparations are well underway so please check the parish newsletter regularly for more details about enrolment.

Parish Priest: Fr Bart Dudek

Assistant priest: Fr Peter Ehinmiro

Tel: 020 8693 5070

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

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St Christopher's Hospice

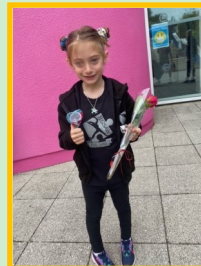
We have some packs available for the **Mystery Masterpieces Auction** (see newsletter on 18 June). Alternatively, they can be ordered for their website.

<https://www.stchristophers.org.uk/masterpieces>

The human family has received from the Creator, a common gift: nature.

Pope Francis, *Laudato si'*

Congratulations!



We received three lovely photos of children's achievements this week. Xavier (Reception) passed his grade 1 violin and Mariella and Olivia (Y1) were in a drama show. Congratulations to all three!

Music tuition

Specialist music tuition is available during the school day for pupils who are interested. We currently offer: guitar, piano, violin and brass. If your child would like to learn an instrument, parents can contact the tutors through the school office and ask to be put on a waiting list. With Year 6 children about to move on, it is likely that there will be vacancies in September.

Safeguarding: Childline

Childline has a variety of resources to support young people who may be having difficulty at home or at school, on-line or off-line. The current featured topics on their information page include, **bullying** and **cyberbullying**, **mental health** and **coping with stress**.

<https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/>

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

Puzzle Corner

Maths: Which numbers have a prime number of factors?

History: On this day in 1865, this married couple (their statues are opposite Denmark Hill station) started a religious organisation that is now worldwide. Who are they and what is it?



Last week's answers

Maths: $109 \times 83 \times 53 = 479,491$

Geography: Africa, Antarctica, Asia, Europe, North America, Oceania, South America