

St Anthony's Newsletter

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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.

Our children are particularly good at starting the school day well. Now that we have the same start time for everyone, with gates open at 08:30 and registers taken between 08:45 and 08:50, it is noticeable that children are ready to learn in very good time. Our Reception and Nursery children have quickly taken to their routines and we thank parents for helping with this. Remember, you may bring children into school from 08:30-staff will be in classrooms to supervise them before registration.

We are now officially into autumn. If you have time, why not visit a park this weekend and look for signs of this season: falling leaves, interesting fungi (look don't touch!) or migrating birds.

Have a good weekend!

School Uniform

Please ensure your child is wearing correct uniform (summer or winter): black shoes (not trainers or boots); grey or black socks; bottle green, grey or white tights (no patterns); white blouse/shirt and school tie, or yellow school polo shirt. No nail varnish or earrings (except studs or small sleepers); green/gold hair bands/ribbons.

Winter uniform only after half term.



Black History Month (October)

Our theme this year will be titled 'Proud to be'. Look out for further information through emails and newsletters.

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.

Pupil leadership



Meet our new pupil leaders (from the left): deputy head girl, Na'imah; head boy, Vincent; head girl, Laudine; deputy head boy, Adrian

School Council



Pupils in Years 1 to 6 have elected their School Councillors (2 per class). The Council will meet regularly to discuss aspects of school life that can be improved and initiatives that will interest the school community (e.g. fundraising, charity events).

Key Dates

19-21 Oct: early morning 'book looks' for parents:

parents can come into the classroom with their child to look at their work (until 09:00)

Fri 22 Oct: INSET (school closed to children)

25-29 Oct: HALF TERM

10 and 11 Nov: Parent-Teacher meetings (through

Fri 17 Dec 2pm: END OF TERM



Faith Life

- The Wednesday Word this week is JESUS (we will continue to send out the Wednesday Word through ParentMail)
- This Sunday is the 26th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year B - Gospel: Mark 9:38-48 (Anyone who is not against us
- Year 5 will join parishioners for Mass at St Thomas More Church next Wednesday at 09:30, parents are welcome to join them; the following week, Year 6 will
- Children will be marking the end of their topic on Domestic Church with a short class liturgy next week

St Thomas More Parish News

Mass Times

- Sunday: Vigil 6.30pm Saturday, 8.30am, 10.00am, 12 noon & 5.30pm
- Monday-Friday: 9.30am

Volunteers are required for the Children's Liturgy (Sunday 10:00 Mass) and the Baby & Toddler Group (Monday mornings in term time); please contact the parish office if you can help

First Holy Communion Preparation

Deadline for applications is 26 September

Secondary school supplementary forms

Fr Bart will be available to sign the forms required for Catholic secondary schools on Friday 15 October between 14.00-16.00 and 19.00-21.00 and then Saturday 16 October between 10.30-12.30. Please come to the John Paul Centre with your printed Priest Reference Request forms

Parish Priest: Fr Bart Dudek Assistant Priest: Fr Peter Ehinmiro 380 Lordship Lane, SE22 8ND Tel: 020 8693 5070

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Birthday Cards

If your child would like to draw a picture to be used on our new birthday cards, please send the design on a piece of A4 paper to your child's teacher (name and class on the back). Children can use paper from school if they wish.

Harvest Collection

We will begin collecting for the Manna Centre next week. The centre serves homeless people in South London and relies on donations. If you are able, please send in dried or tinned food, toiletries, socks and gloves. For a full list of what they need:

https://www.mannasociety.org.uk/2021/09/16/harvestfestival-list-2021/ We will collect for two weeks.

Love singing?

London Youth Choirs provide singing opportunities for young people from Year 3 up to age 23.

https://www.londonyouthchoirs.com/join-lyc/



Keep our streets tidy

There has been an accumulation of litter around Norcroft Gardens/Etherow St recently. Although the perpetrators may not be connected to our school, it is still a timely opportunity to remind your child of the importance of putting litter in the bin.

St Christopher's Hospice

You may recall that children were encouraged to submit artwork for the St Christopher's 'Mystery Masterpieces' auction. Follow the link to see all the artwork submitted. Well done Sophia, Anna, Vincent and Chafic!

All in aid of the hospice, so great effort.

https://www.stchristophers.org.uk/wp-content/ uploads/2021/09/EDITED Big-reveal-compressed.pdf

Westminster City School workshops

Online Masterclasses for Years 4-6

Free fun online masterclasses to inspire young people at the weekend

- Starts Saturday 2 October, with morning and afternoon slots
- Age-appropriate one-hour masterclasses on Zoom
- Run by Westminster City School teachers Subjects covered include maths, music, science and Spanish

Back by popular demand! Book now at: www.wcsch.com

Puzzle Corner

I am thinking of a number, when I double it, subtract 3 and multiply by 20, I get 100. What is my number?

Try making up your own questions!

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.