

# 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.

October is always an eventful month. With September marking the return to school and the establishing of routines and expectations, October is a month when life in school is enriched by several national events. In addition to dedicating the month to Mary, we have also celebrated national poetry day this week and begun celebrating Black History Month.

We recently said goodbye to Mrs Meagher in Reception. We thank her for her years of service and wish her every success for the future.

Have a good weekend!



# **Black History Month**

As a school community we are proud to be celebrating Black History Month. Children in school will be finding out about many different inspirational people of colour. For more information about the Proud to Be theme, you can follow this link to the BHM magazine.

https://www.blackhistorymonth.org.uk/article/section/ news/proud-to-be-black-history-month-uk-launches-theme -for-black-history-month-2021/

# Come and see for yourself!

On 19, 20 and 21 Oct, parents are invited to come into the classroom when they 'drop-off' and have a look at their child's work (08:30-09:00).

# 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.

# Future archbishop?



Last week, some of our children attended a special Mass at St George's Cathedral to mark the beginning of the school year. Mrs Hawthorne, along with Nathan, Cait, Vincent and Laudine, joined schools from

across the diocese on the Feast of St Therese

of the Child Jesus. The Mass was celebrated by Archbishop John Wilson and afterwards he had the honour of meeting our pupils.

This picture of Nathan with the archbishop proved to be very popular once it was tweeted. It has been retweeted several times including by the archbishop himself!





# **OPEN MORNINGS**

For Nursery & Primary School Entry September 2022

To reserve a place, please email: school@stanthonys.southwark.sch.uk

Remember to tell your friends and neighbours about us! Applications are open to all. Deadline for Nursery and Reception applications is 15th January 2022.

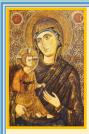
# **Key Dates**

Fri 22 Oct: INSET (school closed to children)

25-29 Oct: HALF TERM

10 and 11 Nov: Parent-Teacher meetings (by video-link)

Fri 17 Dec 2pm: END OF TERM



# Faith Life October is the month of Our Lady (Mary)

- This month, older children will be saying part of the rosary every day, in honour of Our Lady
- The Wednesday Word this week is <u>JESUS</u> (we will continue to send out the Wednesday Word through ParentMail)
- This Sunday is the 26th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year
   B Gospel: Mark 10:17-30 "Go and sell everything you own and follow me."
- Year 3 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 4 will
   attend.
- Children have begun their new RE topic ('Called') this week; each year will learn about either baptism, confirmation or ordination





Thanks to Seren (Y6) for this lovely prayer.

# St Thomas More Parish News

#### Mass Times

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

# 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

Please note, many schools require the supplementary forms back by 22 October.

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# Harvest Collection: Thank you!

Thanks to all families and staff who brought items in for our collection for the **Manna** 

**Centre**, London Bridge. It will all be collected on Monday. <a href="https://www.mannasociety.org.uk/2021/09/16/harvest-festival-list-2021/">https://www.mannasociety.org.uk/2021/09/16/harvest-festival-list-2021/</a>

# parentzone Local

Lewisham I Southwark I Croydon I Lambeth

A new online-safety and digital-resilience programme for parents, carers and families in Southwark has now gone live at <a href="https://www.pzlocal.org.uk/">https://www.pzlocal.org.uk/</a>. The first programme of its kind anywhere in the UK, Parent Zone Local has been developed in partnership with Lambeth, Lewisham and Croydon, and will offer families across these boroughs a comprehensive package of high-quality support, advice and resources to help them stay safe online and navigate the digital-world.

To coincide with **Digital Parenting Week (11th-15th October)**, there is an introductory workshop for parents every evening from Tuesday-Saturday next week. Please visit the 'Events' tab on the website to sign up for one of these sessions today!

# **Secondary School Applications**

The deadline for secondary school application via <a href="https://www.eadmissions.org.uk">https://www.eadmissions.org.uk</a>

is Sunday 31st October. Supplementary forms for various secondary schools are either due on the **31st October** or beforehand (please check individual school websites for details).

#### **Lost property**

Please check at home that your child has the correct jumper—it is very easy to bring home one belonging to

# **Parking**

Please **do not** park in the flats carpark on **Frien Rd**. This is for **residents only**.

#### **Puzzle Corner**

I am an odd number. Take away one letter and I become even. What number am I?