



St Anthony's Newsletter



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He is risen. Alleluia!

May is the month of Mary

"...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 in schools has always been a testing time. Parents may have their own experiences of sitting on an uncomfortable chair in a stuffy school hall for hours on end, completing one exam paper after another. Fortunately, although checking children's progress is still an important element of school life, children are now able to be assessed in an environment that gives them every opportunity to really show what they have learnt.

Children are formally assessed for their attainment and progress at the end of Reception, Year 2 and Year 6 (in addition to the phonics check in Year 1 and the multiplication tables check in Year 4). All these assessments take place in small groups around the school or in classrooms.

Next week there will be formal assessments (often called SATs) for Year 6. To give the children a good start, we will be providing them with a hearty breakfast from 8am every morning and using all the upstairs classrooms and senior leaders' offices for administering the tests. Each day, when the tests are completed, the children will have juice, snacks and playtime.

If your child is being formally assessed this term, remember, rest and recreation are crucial to allow young people to show their best.

Have a good weekend!

KEY DATES

9-12 May: KS2 SATs
16-20 May: Walk to School Week
30 May-5 June: Half Term Week (school closed)
6 June: INSET day (school closed)
w/c 11 July: Sports Days (weather permitting)
20 July, 2pm: End of School Year

St Anthony's Orchestra



This term we have started running our own school orchestra on Tuesday mornings at 08:00. It is led by Una Birtchnell, an experienced musician who has for many years successfully run orchestras in local schools, and some of our parents who play instruments.

If your child learns an instrument (in school or elsewhere) and is interested in joining us, please contact the school office

Snacks for clubs and after swimming

Children may bring a healthy snack for after swimming or if staying for an after-school club. This should be a piece of fruit, cereal bar etc. but not crisps or sweets.

Change to end of term date

The last day of term will be **Wednesday 20 July**, not Thursday 21st as shown on our school date cards.



Lent fundraiser: thank you!

We have now raised **£1174**.

This money will help all young people to realise their potential and build the types of communities we all want to live in, through Jimmy's legacy.

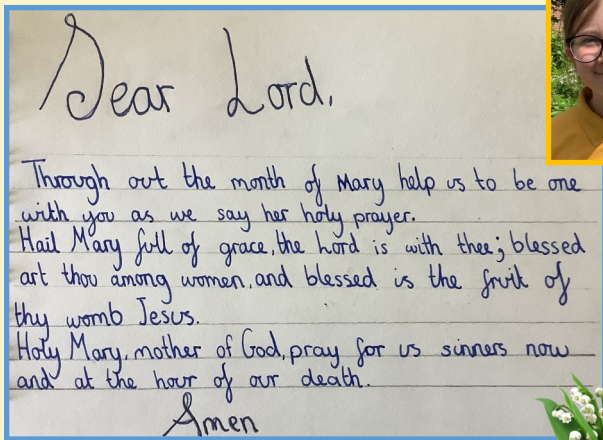
Ice Cream!



There are ice-cream sales in the playground every Friday after school this half term to raise money towards providing all our Year 6 children with personalised hoodies. Have a treat and support our Year 6 at the same time!

Faith Life

- May is the **month of Mary**, Jesus' mother; children are encouraged to make a prayer space at home and send in a photo
- There is **Rosary** at 08:30 in the school hall every Friday during May: all children and parents are welcome
- This Sunday is the **4th Sunday of Easter**; Gospel John 10: 27-30 (Jesus is the Good Shepherd)
- The **Wednesday Word** this week is **LIFE**
- Next Wednesday, **Year 5** will join the parish for the **09:30 Mass at St Thomas More Church**; Year 6 will go the following week.



Thanks to Seren (Y6) for this lovely prayer.



St Thomas More Parish News

Current mass times for Sunday: Vigil 17.30 (Saturday); 08.30, 10.00, 12.00 & 17.30

Holy Communion 2022

Congratulations to the 103 children who will receive the blessed sacrament over the coming weeks in our parish. These services will be taking place at our Church on 14/15 May and 21/22 May at 14:00. Please only attend these services if you have been invited, given the limited capacity in the church.

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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**.



CHILDREN'S ART COMPETITION

This year's **Dulwich Festival** (13-22 May 2022) is all about regeneration, regrowth and awakening. Children are encouraged to enter a piece of their artwork (2 dimensional) on the theme of AWAKENING. Artwork can be submitted to Woodfall's Opticians, Lordship Lane; it will be displayed in Belair House on 21 May.

Deadline 13 May 2022

Artists' Open House

As part of the festival there is an 'open house' event on 14-15 & 21-22 May where you can see the work of local artists in their own homes

<https://dulwichfestival.co.uk/>

Attendance

Please ensure your child arrives at school by 08:45 to be in good time for **registration at 08:50**. The school gates are open from 08:30 and children can be left with us from then.

Attendance this week: **97%**

Champions!

Congratulations to Daniel, Joel and Ishmael who played football for the **8th Camberwell Cub Scouts** and helped their team



win the **Albany five-a-side trophy**. The pack has won the trophy eleven times since 1992!

If your child is interested in joining the cubs (girls and boys 7+), please leave contact details with the school office.

Puzzle Corner

Arrange the digits 1 to 9 to make four square numbers. Remember, square numbers are made by multiplying a number by itself (e.g. 36 is square because it is 6x6; 100 is square because it is 10x10)

Solution to last puzzle: 4 chi (it makes a 3-4-5 right angled triangle)

