

Alleluia!

St Anthony's Newsletter

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St George 23 April

The summer term is finally here and we have had a few lovely warm days this week. We are looking forward to a jam-packed term with school trips (including two residential), sports days, productions and plenty of open-air learning.

Curriculum information for this term has been shared with parents today (email). Please read it so you can support your child better at home and feel free to contact your child's teacher if you have any questions or can help in any way.

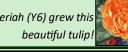
There will be formal assessments for some children this term: Early Years assessments (Reception), SATs (Y2 and Y6), phonics checks (Y1 and some Y2) and multiplication tables checks (Y4). We will make sure children are given the best opportunity to achieve their best in these. More information about this will be sent to families nearer the time.

We recently welcomed two new teachers to our school, Miss Hollamby, who teaches St Agnes class and Ms Childs who teaches St Patrick class.

The weather looks to be mixed over the weekend but do still venture out to look for the signs of spring. The cherry blossom is beautiful at the moment.

Have a good weekend!

Neriah (Y6) grew this





Thank you!

Our Lent appeal has now raised an amazing. £2,329!

This money will help CAFOD in their much needed work in supporting families with the skills and tools they've asked for to fight the climate crisis.

You can find out more about the work of CAFOD here. Our donations page is still open St Anthony's CAFOD appeal

Uniform

Children may now wear **summer uniform** for school (winter uniform is optional until half-term). Please ensure it is all labelled with your child's name.

Lost property is stored in the large box beside St Bernadette class: please check there regularly if your child has lost anything: a huge amount of clothing went unclaimed last term.

Uniform Sale - thank you to all who supported us through volunteering, donating and buying used uniform - we raised £281 for FOSTAS. If anyone has any uniform in good condition to donate for future sales, please leave it with the office or drop it into the collection bag by the shelter at the entrance.



St Joseph reception class started forest school in Dulwich Park this week: the trees look huge!

Attendance and Punctuality

Children make the best progress when they have good attendance. We expect all children to have attendance in the range 97-100%.

Attendance below 90% is classed as 'persistent absence' by the Department for Education. If your child's attendance is in that category you may receive a letter from school, inviting you a meeting to discuss improvement.

This week's attendance: 97.1% Best class this week: St Clare (100%)

Industrial Action

Industrial action is planned for Thursday 27 April and Tuesday 2 May. The school will be partially closed because of this and an email with more information has been sent to parents.

KEY DATES

Mon 1 May: Bank holiday (school closed) Mon 8 May: Bank holiday (school closed)

9-12 May: Year 6 SATs week

Wed 17 May: Rec and Y6 height and weight check

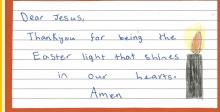
21-24 May: Y6 residential trip 29 May—2 June: Half term break 7-9 June: Y5 residential trip Tues 11 July: **Y3-6 Sports Day** Wed 12 July: **Rec-Y2 Sports Day** Thur 20 July 2pm: **End of academic year**

Tues 5 Sept: Start of new academic year (2023-24)

Faith Life



- This Sunday is the 3rd Sunday of Easter, Gospel: Luke 24:13-35 (Two disciples meet Jesus on the road to Emmaus.)
- 23rd April is the feast of St George, patron of England (celebrated in churches this year on Monday 24); also patron saint of Spain, Portugal and Kerala in India.
- The Wednesday Word this week is JESUS
- Next Wednesday, St John class will join St Thomas More parish for the 09:30 Mass; St Bernadette class will go on Wednesday 3 May; parents welcome
- During May we will be inviting children and their families to join us in praying the Rosary every Friday at 08:35 in the school hall
- Children have begun their new RE topic on Pentecost this week (see separate newsletter)
- TenTen prayer resources have produced a newsletter for parents which may be accessed here (also on our website)



Thanks to Destiny (Y4) for this lovely prayer.



St Thomas More Parish

Mass times for Sunday: Vigil 17.30 (Sat); 08.30, 10.00, 12.00 & 17.30

Parish Picnic Sunday 18 June: in the parish gardens after the 12.00 Mass. All are welcome; please email the parish office if you can help in any way. Thank you!

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Good news

Congratulations to the Saraceno and Yusuff families on their recent new arrivals (baby girls).

Congratulations also to Miss Malherbe and Ms Childs, on their recent weddings. We wish them and their husbands every happiness.



Road safety

If you bring your child to school by car, please do not stop in the middle of the road for them to get out. Not only does this hold-up traffic, it is also extremely dangerous as there are many cyclists who use these streets and a collision with your child is likely to cause serious injury.

You should allow plenty of time for your journey and park safely before allowing your child out of the car.

Safeguarding

Any safeguarding concerns about children, current or historic, should be raised with the safeguarding team: Mrs Macdonald, Mrs Hawthorne and Mr Croft

Anyone can make a referral to the local safeguarding hub (MASH) if they are concerned about a child.

Southwark MASH: 020 7525 1921 / 020 7525 5000

Swimming

Swimming for Years 3 to 6 resumes next week. If you are able to help with walking to and from the pool, please contact your child's teacher.

St Anthony's Bake-Off

These are just some of the entries in our junior bake-off competition They look delicious!



Challenge

On this day (21 April) in 753 BC, two brothers called Romulus and Remus founded this city. What is the name of the city and how long ago was 753 BC?



Solution to the last challenge: A=6, B=9, C=8