

St Anthony's Newsletter

Friendship and Anti-Bullying Week



Friendship and Anti-Bullying Week runs from 13th-17th November.

We will be starting off the week with an Odd Socks fundraiser and will be exploring the anti bullying tag line 'All different, All equal'.

Children are invited to wear odd socks to school on Monday 13th November to help raise awareness for Friendship and Anti-Bullying Week. We would like to invite participating children to make a £1 donation to support the Anti-Bullying Alliance.

SS Patrick and Thomas classes will join the parishioners for Mass at St Thomas More at 9:30 on Tuesday. Parents are welcome to join their children's class.



St Bernadette's class will lead the assembly next Friday.

Friday 10th November 2017

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House Points

1st place: Poseidon
2nd place: Aphrodite
3rd place: Zeus
4th place: Hera



Well done to all the children who received a house point this week.

FOSTAS

Thank you to everyone who brought in a food item for the Christmas Class Hampers, we are looking forward to selling them at the School Fair on Saturday 25th November.

If you would like to run a stall or help set up for the Fair please let your class rep know. We still have some stalls that need volunteers.

The Sweet Jar Workshop, where children can decorate their filled Sweet Jars, will take place in the hall at 8.30am on Thursday 16th and Friday 17th November; there will be a prize for the best decorated Sweet Jar and one for the class with the most entries. If you are decorating your Jar at home please make sure each Sweet Jar has your child's name and class on it. Jars should be handed into the office by Thursday 23rd November.

There will be a mufti day (children in house colours) on Friday 24th November. Children are asked to bring in an unopened bottle for the bottle tombola.

Christmas Fair Saturday 25th November 12-3pm

Attendance and punctuality

Well done to St George's who have been the best class for attendance and punctuality in the school this week.



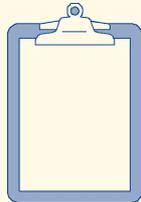
Parents' evening

This term's parents' evenings will be on Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th November from 3:45-6pm in the school hall.

Please make sure you sign up with your child's teacher for an appointment. If you are unable to attend at this time, the staff at St Anthony's are very accommodating and will happily make an appointment to meet you before or after school on another day.

You will have the opportunity to discuss your child's progress and any concerns you may have as well as hear how hard they have been working this term. Each parent will receive individual targets for their child(ren).

Teachers try very hard to keep to time but sometimes they do over run a bit, thank you for your understanding.



Congratulation to Giovanni (Our Lady), Alessandro (St Therese) and Christian (St Peter) on the birth of their baby sister, Carmen

Headteacher Awards

Our Lady's:	Cecily and Caleb
St Joseph:	Emily and Gabby
St Julie:	Eva and Felix
St Francis:	Antoinette and Cillian
St Thérèse:	Tofunmi and Elier
St Agnes:	Sarah and Jeremie
St Anne:	Isla and Oliver-John
St Bernadette:	Freya and Samuel
St Peter:	Ruby and Cameron
St George:	Niamh C. and Matilda
St Patrick:	Shalom and Leila
St Clare:	Lara and Alicia
St John:	Aine and Raya
St Paul:	Violet and George
St Thomas:	Aurora and Ferdia

Well done to these children for keeping the school values - CARE

Consideration, Achievement, Respect, Effort

Nursery and Reception admission

Fr Gerry will be signing references in the John Paul Centre next Saturday (18th November) 10:30-11:30. This is an essential part of the application process so please make sure you attend this session if you are in St Thomas More parish and have a child due to start Nursery or Reception in September 2018.

Guitar lessons

There are spaces available for more children to learn the guitar during the school day. If you are interested in your child starting lessons and they are in Year 1 or above, please contact Alfie directly on alfieconnor@live.com

Dulwich Music Festival

There will be a free harpsichord/violin concert at St Barnabas Parish Hall (Dulwich Village) on 18th November at 11:30. This is part of a day of harpsichord masterclasses and recitals as part of "Hands on Harpsichord!" programme. More information can be found on: www.dulwichmusicfestival.co.uk

Dates for your diary:

Friday 1st December—Advent-themed Day of Reflection (Nur-Y6)

Tuesday 12th December 9:30 & 2:00 Y1 & 2 Nativity

Monday 18th December 2pm whole school Carol Service

Tuesday 19th December 2pm school closes

Chaplaincy Team's thought for the week: **We Remember**

Every day, in silence, we remember
Those whom we loved
To whom we have said a last goodbye.
Every day, in silence, we remember

(Thank you to Lara and Heather for selecting this)



Have a lovely weekend. *Mrs Day*

Grenfell Tower Fundraiser

On Thursday the children from year 6 met with Jane Roller, who works as an educational psychologist with the Borough of Kensington and Chelsea. She has been working directly with children and families affected by the Grenfell Tower fire. Using money that our children had raised from a cake sale that they organised, they were able to present Jane with a selection storybooks recommended for children of different ages covering the themes of loss and bereavement. We are very proud of our Year 6 children, who have shown such empathy towards those who have suffered so much.

Junior Travel Ambassadors (JTA)

On Thursday 2nd of November, our Year 5 school council representatives attended a JTA workshop. In case you're wondering what JTA stands for, it's Junior Travel Ambassador. The children participated in numerous workshops: making a luminescent bicycle helmet, how to make sure your bicycle is safe to ride, a poster workshop. Last but not least, a workshop on "how to do a good assembly." Some other very good news is that they won a gold badge for the best road safety competition! Keep your eyes and ears peeled for news of an assembly on Road Safety!

First Holy Communion

If you would like your child to make First Holy Communion in St Thomas More Parish next May then you must register. Sessions start in January on Saturday mornings in the school. They are organised by Mrs Bennett (Year 6) and delivered by a committed team of catechists.

Registration forms are available from the parish office:

020 8693 5070

office@stmdulwich.org

Act of Remembrance

The school assembly was a little later than usual today to allow for an act of remembrance at 11.00 a.m. Tomorrow is the 11th November, known as Armistice Day and is the commemoration of the end of the First World War. This term, our year 3 children have been finding out about the First World War and St Peter's class led a beautiful assembly. All classes brought a poppy wreath (which they had made themselves) to the assembly. The hall is now a stunning sight with poppies adorning much of one of the walls.



St John's class have produced a stunning class painting to commemorate the end of the First World War. It is a huge watercolour depicting silhouettes of different aspects of the war, from soldiers in battle to grieving families.

Year 5 will have an opportunity to visit the Canadian War Memorial at Vimy Ridge when they go to France in the summer term.

Judaism

Next week all children will be finding out about the Jewish faith. It is very important that children have an understanding of how different people live their faith and in particular what the faiths have in common. Years 5 and 6 will be talking to Eve Shamash (who works for one of our supply agencies) who will be visiting school to share with the children how she lives her faith.

