

BACK TO SCHOOL @ST ANTHONY'S WE ARE GOD'S WORK OF ART



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Star of the Week Awards

<i>Rec S</i>	<i>Chloe R</i>	<i>Rec T</i>	<i>Gabriela P</i>
<i>1/2S Lucy H</i>	<i>1/2T Artem T</i>	<i>1/2A Jemima D</i>	
<i>3/4S N/A</i>	<i>3/4T N/A</i>	<i>3/4A Hollie D</i>	
<i>5/6S Maisey R</i>	<i>5/6T Ollie T</i>	<i>5/6A Phoebe D</i>	

Headteacher Awards

Jake K 1/2S
Maya-Rose N 3/4A

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SCHOOL DAY

All children start at 8:45am
with doors opening from
8:40am

All children finish at
3:15pm

LUNCHES

We provide school meals
which are free to all
children in EYFS and KS1.

At a cost of £2.35 to
children in KS2 unless they
are entitled to free school
meals. Meal payments
must be made in advance
through parent pay
accounts.

Welcome back to school after the half term break. It was good to see the children rested and ready to learn.

Lent

We all went across to Mass on Wednesday to receive our ashes. The children were exemplary, so much so that a member of the public, with no connection to school or parish, took the time to ring up and tell us that they were very impressed and moved by the children's behaviour and responses in church. Well done children!

Turkey and Syria collection

Many thanks for contributing to the earthquake appeal. It is important that children recognise that it is our mission to help and support others in any way we can, albeit in a small way.

We will be having more fundraising events during Lent but please do not worry if you can't support.

After School Club

We recently sent out a survey to find out about the needs of our current parents and children with regard to before and after school care. It is good practise to regularly review provision so that we can understand evolving needs. Thank you for those who have responded. We will be collating the information received to ascertain if there is a need for change.

Trips

Year 3/4 are having their Geography trip to 'Bring Yer Wellies'. Thank you for supporting these enrichment opportunities for your children. Trips really enhance the curriculum.

Have a lovely weekend



Dates for your diary

Change of PE Days for Class 3/4A

Class 3/4A will now have PE every Tuesday and Friday.

Ready Steady Read Week



Reading is at the heart of our curriculum here at St Anthony's. Therefore, I am pleased to announce that St Anthony's will host a Ready Steady Read week and this will begin on Monday, 27th February 2023. Today your child/ren will come home with their sponsorship form and information regarding our Usborne partners visiting school. Please see the attachments or visit our website for further information on what this week will look like for you, as our families.

One of the main events during our Ready Steady Read week will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday, 2nd March and we would like to invite you to join us in helping your child/ren to make the most of this special occasion. As you may have noticed, our information regarding dressing up for World Book Day has been on our Newsletter for a couple of weeks now. The children may dress up as a book character for the day if they wish. We would love to see homemade costumes and do not expect parents to go to the expense of buying new costumes. We are aware of how busy this week may seem for our families so reminders will be sent via GroupCall. Many thanks for your continued support, Miss Clarke, English Subject Leader.

Parent Pay Accounts

Please ensure that any Parent Pay accounts with outstanding balances are cleared. If anyone wishes to discuss their account, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Howlett. Please can we remind you that school meals must be paid for in advance.

Easter Break – School closes for Easter at 1.30pm on Thursday, 6th April, 2023 and re-opens on Monday, 24th April, 2023

Usborne Book Fair - Wednesday, 1st March, 2023

Whole School Sponsored Read and World Book Day - Thursday 2nd March, 2023

PE DAYS



EYFS – Thursday

1/2S Miss Clarke – Wednesday (extended session)

1/2T Mrs Chamley/Mrs Berry – Wednesday & Friday

1/2A Miss Martin – Monday & Wednesday

3/4S Mr Martin – Wednesday & Friday

3/4T Mrs Shaw – Tuesday & Friday

3/4A Mrs Eshborn – Tuesday and Friday (change of day)

5/6S Mrs Gunson/Mrs Boardman – Thursday and Friday

5/6T Miss Davies – Tuesday & Thursday

5/6A Mrs Noonan – Monday & Friday

- *Times subject to change – please keep PE kits in School.*

Sunday Mass

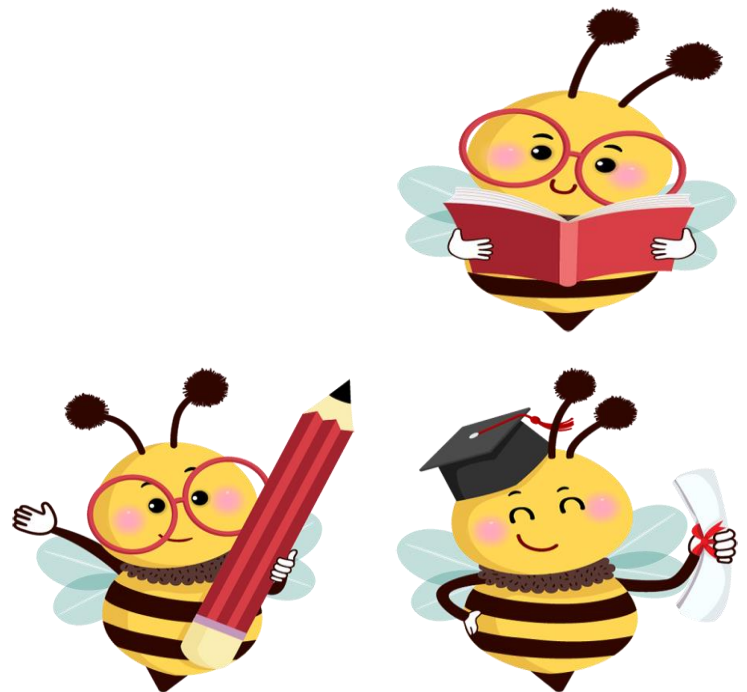
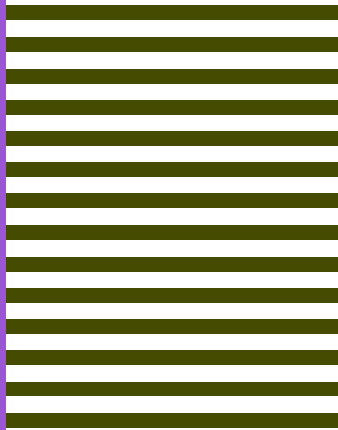
Thank you for your support with helping more children to attend Mass over the last few months. We will be continuing to ensure that a member of staff will be in attendance each Sunday morning during term time and any children who would like to come along to join them are welcome to do so. Please find below the names of staff who will be attending:-

Date	Member of Staff
26 th February	Miss Clarke
5 th March	Miss Davies
12 th March	Mrs Carroll
19 th March	Mrs Gunson
26 th March	Mrs Livesey
2 nd April	Mrs Shaw

Mrs Livesey and Mrs Carroll attend Mass each Saturday evening if any children would like to join them.

School Meal Menu

Next week is week two of the Autumn Term Menu



February 2023

Ten Ten Resources Parent Newsletter

We begin February with the official end of Christmastide and a welcome theme of light. Just as the evenings and mornings are beginning to show signs of brightening, **Candlemas, the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on 2nd February, celebrates Jesus, the Light of the World.**

Why not...

Take time to talk to your child/ren about their unique gifts, talents and activities that they enjoy. Discuss how they could use them to shine God's light of love in the world.

Read Matthew's letter based on the Gospel (Matthew 5:13-16) with your child/ren, and discuss ways in which shining their own light can inspire and encourage others to do the same.

Paraphrased Gospel Matthew 5:13-16

Dear friends,

Jesus teaches us so much about how to follow Him and what our purpose is.

Today Jesus told us, "You are the light of the world! Like a city on top of a hill, you cannot be hidden. I want you to shine your light. No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. No! You put the lamp on display so everyone in the house can see its light. So, like the lamp and the city on a hill – let your light shine. Show your good deeds to others so that they can see and give praise to God in heaven."

If you...
like making things...
have lots of energy...
love singing, dancing, acting...
like talking with others...
enjoy reading...
are good with your hands...
are patient...

Can you...
make gifts, be generous?
help those who are ill or tired?
entertain or teach others?
include those who are left out?
read or tell stories to others?
help little ones with laces / ties?
listen to others who are sad or lonely?

That's all for now,

Matthew

Pray together using this prayer from the assembly:

Dear Jesus, You are the light of the world. Thank you for showing me your light through your love for me. Help me shine your light through my gifts and talents, so others can see your love too. Amen

Why not...

Listen to the Lent song 'Jesus, Be The Centre' (<https://vineyardsongs.com/songs/be-the-centre/>) together with your child/ren, and discuss what the different lyrics mean, e.g. Be my path, guide, vision, source, wind in my sails, fire in my heart etc.

Take time to talk to your child/ren about Lent and discuss ways you can commit as a family to GIVE, ACT and PRAY. It's important to make these commitments meaningful yet manageable, so activities can be kept very simple, for example:

- Having a family clear out and donating items to a charity shop.
- Making a point of modelling politeness and good manners to each other
- Discussing ways to practise self-control, talk about feelings and avoid arguments.
- Committing to 5 minutes of family prayer time each day, e.g. saying thanks to God at meal times. Perhaps each member of the family could take a turn.

Discuss how the words GIVE, ACT and PRAY correspond to the Church's three pillars of Lent: almsgiving, fasting and prayer. Note that children are not asked to 'fast' from food during Lent, so any discussion of this needs to be sensitively articulated.