

# St Anthony's Newsletter

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There is so much to look forward to this half term: many classes have organised trips and visitors; forest school has started for St Agnes Class; library visits continue; Judaism Week (when all children find out more about this world faith); the Christmas Fair; the advent appeal; the Nativity Play and the Carol Service. Parents will be kept informed of all events and times through Parentmail and the newsletter.

The children look very smart in their winter uniform—for a full list of uniform see the parents section of the website. Please remember, if your child has long hair it should be tied back (with green, yellow or black accessories). Do also make sure your child's tie, jumper and coat are clearly labelled with their full name.

Now we are approaching Remembrance Day (11 Nov), poppies will be available at the start of each day (look for prefects with poppy boxes at the gate and in the playground).

## Have a good weekend!

### Parent governor election

Parents have until 12:00 noon on Monday 7 November to vote for two new parent-governors. Elections are electronic (Parentmail).

### Parent-teacher meetings (Tues/Wed)

Please be on time for your **video-link meeting** with your child's teacher next week. In the event of any technical difficulty, teachers will telephone parents if they are not on screen after one minute.

### **Open Morning**

Our next open morning for prospective parents is on **Thursday 24 Nov at 09:30** in the small hall. If you know anyone who would be interested, please encourage them to come along—everyone is welcome!

#### **KEY DATES**

Tues 8/ Wed 9 Nov Parent-teacher meetings

(video link)

Sat 3 Dec: Christmas Fair

Thurs 8 December: Nativity play (Y1/Y2) in school

Tues 13 Dec: Carol Service in Church

Fri 16 Dec 2pm: END OF TERM



The Fire Brigade visited with their engine this week. Year 1, nursery and Reception explored inside the engine and enjoyed meeting the firefighters. We thank LFB for giving up their time for us.

### **Requesting leave**

We are unable to grant leave during term time, except in extreme circumstances. Requests for leave either just before or just after school holidays (thereby extending the holiday) will not be authorised. School attendance is closely monitored by the local authority.

School attendance this week: 96.6%

Class with the best attendance: St George (99.6%)

### Flu vaccine

Please return the online form via the QR code by Friday 11 Nov. See parentmail on 02/11/22.



## Do you have a spare coat?

If you have a spare coat (adult or child), we are starting a 'bring and swap' scheme. There will be a clothes rail in the shelter by the main gate that will hold up to 20 coats at any time and anyone is welcome to

simply take a coat if they wish, for themselves or their child. As we have nowhere to store the coats, please only leave a coat (clean and in good condition) if there is a hanger to put it on.

If you have a clothes rail we could borrow, please contact the school office.

### 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**.

# **Faith Life**



- This Sunday is the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Fr Bart celebrated a lovely Mass in school on Tuesday this week (All Saints' day)
- The Wednesday Word this week is HEAVEN
- St George's class will lead assembly at 09:15 on Wednesday 9 November: parents welcome; the following week will be St Francis class
- November is the month of remembrance—we will remember friends and relatives who have died in our prayers throughout the month (there is a special remembrance box in the hall for anyone to post the name of a loved one who has died)





Thanks to Levi (Y1) for this lovely prayer.

# St Thomas More Parish News

## First Holy Communion

Details and the application forms are on the parish website <a href="http://www.stthomasmorechurch.co.uk/">http://www.stthomasmorechurch.co.uk/</a>

Hard copies can be collected from the porch in the church. Closing date for application: 21 November 2022.

# Primary school supplementary forms

Fr Bart will be available to sign the forms required for Catholic primary schools on Friday 11 November, 14.30–16.00, and again on Saturday 12 November between 11.00 and 12.00. Please come to the John Paul Centre (behind St Thomas More Church) with your forms and documents.

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

Parish Priest: Fr Bart Dudek Assistant Priest: Fr Joseph Gulliford 380 Lordship Lane, SE22 8ND Email: dulwich@rcaos.org.uk

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### Friends of St Anthony's School (FOSTAS)

#### Cake Sale & Uniform Sale

Thank you to all who donated, volunteered and bought cakes at our recent uniform and cake sales. We raised £157 on the uniform sale and £425 on the cake sale. A fantastic start to our fundraising efforts this year.

### **AGM**

Reminder date - <u>Tuesday 15 November 7.30pm</u> School Hall. As well as electing in a whole new committee we will be voting in a new Constitution. This will form the basis of how the FOSTAS committee is run and holds votes, meetings etc. We're using a model constitution based on best practice and developed by Parentkind. If you'd like to see a copy of it we will leave a hard copy in the school office from next week and we can email a copy if you request one via <u>fostas.dulwich@gmail.com</u>

If you are planning to attend the AGM please do request a copy so you're aware of what we'll be voting in. Hard copies will also be available for review at the event.

#### Christmas Fair - Saturday 3 December 12noon - 3pm

Planning is underway and there's lots to do. We will be requesting help over the coming weeks so please do look out for messages from your class reps.

We are in the process of pulling together prizes for our raffle and 100 boards. If you are able to help provide prizes for the raffle, please do contact <a href="mailto:fostas.dulwich@gmail.com">fostas.dulwich@gmail.com</a>. Tickets need to go to print soon so we would like to be in a position to confirm headline prizes next week. Thank you to all those who have already helped gather prizes.

#### **Calendars**

The FOSTAS school calendar will be available to purchase soon! They make great gifts so keep an eye out for the details on Parentmail on how to purchase your copy.

## Challenge

Mo and Kim have some frogs.







Kim has 4 times as many frogs as Mo. They have 30 frogs in total.

How many frogs does Kim have?

This puzzle appeared in this week's **Barvember Challenges**, from White Rose Maths <a href="https://whiterosemaths.com/resources/barvember#problems">https://whiterosemaths.com/resources/barvember#problems</a>

Solution to the last challenge:

180 and 183