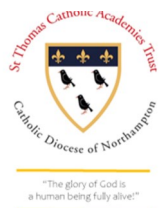


Saint Anthony's Catholic Primary School and Nursery

Newsletter



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This Sunday, Jesus reminds us that we are blessed. Within each of us lies an unfathomable amount of potential; a treasury of gifts and talents that will, if we use them right, bring other people closer to God. They will see the goodness and brilliance within you and in turn, want to explore what might be within themselves.

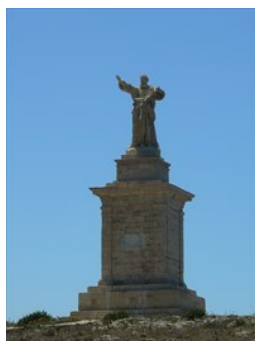
In our worship today we remind the children that they all have a gift and they should embrace it, use it, sharpen it, share it, make others feel better because of it. And when someone asks you 'how are you so good at that?!' you can simply say - 'it is God-given!'

As we start a new week and year at Saint Anthony's, let us be ever-reminded of the importance of sharing and giving. Let us be proud of the gifts that God gave us.



Last Week:

Some of the Year 5/6 boys played a football match after school last week. The boys showed true team spirit and enjoyed the game, despite falling behind at first, the boys finished the game winning 5-3. Year 3 have been doing some exciting learning this week in Science as they looked at human skeletons and compared these to animal skeletons.



On this day in 60 AD, Saint Paul is thought to have been shipwrecked in Malta. The site of the shipwreck is known as *St Paul's Island*, some 80 metres off the coast of Mellieha, where today it is home to a statue of *St Paul* that marks this historically significant event.

The WORD of the Week:

Each week we would like to share a scripture with you to share and discuss with your children:

“ Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.’

1 Peter 4:10

Learning, Growing and Living With Jesus

Dates

14/02 - Last day of term

27/02 5 Luke Slough Sewage Works

02/03 Year 2 to Windsor Castle

03/03 5 Matthew Slough Sewage Works

10/03 5 Peter Slough Sewage Works

A Prayer for the week

Lord Jesus, thank you for the gifts you have given each of us, and for the potential we have to do great things.

Give us courage to be who you have created us to be.

May we stand up, without hiding, ready to shine our light brightly, so that people will know our faith is in You.

Amen.

Stars of the Week

Nursery: Alan W, Kuba M

Reception: Patryk

Year 1: Tadiwanashe

Year 2: Klara

Year 3: Tomasz, Wiktoria G, Robin

Year 4: Zuzanna B

Year 5: Zara Z

Year 6: Darryl, Gabriela M

Skills!

We are looking for volunteers with skills such as painting and decorating, gardening, carpentry and builders. If you have these talents please let the office have your details and we will be in touch with more information. Let's make our school even better for the children!

Half Term

On Tuesday 18th of February, Black Park are holding a special event for children. There will be lots of things to get involved in including the mud kitchen, digging pit, bug hunting and more. Tickets available on the website.

Church Music

Our lovely church of Saint Anthony is looking for musicians and singers to help with music during their Sunday service. If you or your children are interested, please contact the church.



School Gates

A reminder to parents not to use the vehicle gates in the morning to enter school premises as this is not safe, and we cannot monitor who has been brought onto the school site. Children and parents are not to be on the school site until the pedestrian gate opens.

Thank You.

Nursery

We are delighted to announce that we now offer full and part time 30 hour places in our Nursery. These are both for funded and self-funded places. We have outdoor learning and Forest School facilities, we can provide hot lunches and support those children with additional needs. For more information please contact the school.



Attendance

Please make sure that your children attend school as much as possible and that they are in school by 8.45am. School finishes at 3.30pm and clubs run until 4.30pm Mon-Thurs with the exception of Cookery which finishes at 5pm.

Local Events

On Saturday 15th of February, Mama G's story time roadshow will be back on at The Curve, Slough. Tickets are £6 from the website and the show starts at 11.30am.

Growth Mindset:

Our quote for this week is:



Stay in touch

Please make sure that the school office has your most updated contact details. It is important that we can get hold of you when needed in case we need to discuss your child.

Free School Meals

Help your school and yourself - claim free school meals

Taking up free school meals has benefits for everyone:

- children get a healthy nutritious meal
- schools can benefit directly by receiving £1300 for each eligible primary school child

WHO QUALIFIES FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Free school meals are offered to children of families who receive:

- ☑ Income Support
- ☑ Income Based Jobseeker Allowance (IBJSA)
- ☑ Employment & Support Allowance (Income Related) (ESA(RI))
- ☑ Support under part V1 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- ☑ Child Tax Credit (TC602) that does not exceed income of £16190.00
- ☑ Guarantee element of State Pension Credit (M1000 Award Notice)
- ☑ Universal Credit and my family's net income excluding any benefit related payments is less than £7,400

HOW TO APPLY FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

If you think you qualify for free school meals and have an email address or mobile number then you can apply through Slough Borough Council's online free school meals form. Slough Borough Council will then inform you if your application is successful or not.

If you do not have an email address or a mobile number then you can get a 'free school meals' application form from your child's/children's school. The school will then inform you if your application is successful or not.

Once you are eligible for free school meals, you are more likely to remain eligible for up to 2 years despite any changes to your circumstances.

Not claiming benefits, but have a child in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2?

There are clear advantages in pupils having a school dinner, so the Government have announced that every child in the above Year groups will be eligible for a free meal under the Universal Free School Meals scheme.

You can apply online or pick up a registration form from our school reception.