

Saint Anthony's Catholic Primary School and Nursery

Newsletter



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On Remembrance Day we are all reminded of those who gave up their lives in great wars in order for us to live the lives that we do today. Jesus reminds us in Luke's Gospel about eternal life and how we should live this life to the fullest so that we can be judged worthy of a life in his eternal kingdom. Death is not an easy subject to talk about. It makes lots of us uncomfortable; it causes many of us heartfelt grief.

In our worship today we are encouraging the children to realise that it is ok to feel confused about death. That's why God gave us the resurrection. When Jesus rose from the dead, it wasn't about power or magic, it was to show us that death wasn't the end. Once our lives on earth are over, we have the ultimate promise awaiting us: a life with God.

As we start a new week at St. Anthony's, let us be ever-reminded of the importance of being thankful and grateful to those who gave their lives for us.



This Week:

This week Year 2 have been learning all about the Gunpowder plot and fire safety. They have made time lines, safety posters and re-enacted parts of the story. They finished the week by joining together and having sparklers outside in the playground. They held their sparklers in carrots so that they were nowhere near their hands! Year 3 have started to learn about the Stone Age in their Creative Curriculum. They used recycled materials to make woolly mammoths. The children had to work in teams and the results were very life like!



Our Year 6 children have been learning about Mary Anning. Mary was an English fossil collector, dealer, and palaeontologist who became known around the world for important finds she made in Jurassic marine fossil beds in the cliffs along the English Channel at Lyme Regis in the county of Dorset in Southwest England. They created biographies about her and their presentation of information was fantastic.

The WORD of the Week:

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

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish,
but have eternal life

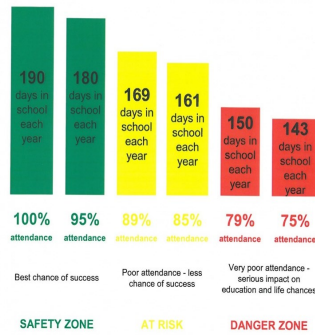
John 3:16

Learning, Growing and Living With Jesus

Attendance

GOOD ATTENDANCE MEANS.....

being in school at least 95% of the time or between 180 and 190 days



May we remind you that NO holiday will be authorised at any time during term time and 5 days of absence or more will incur a penalty notice (fine) from Slough Borough Council.

School Trips

School trips provide a valuable experience for our children and offer them a way to engage with a topic that they are learning in an active way. We can only run school trips if families pay for the trips; if we do not receive the money we will have no option but to cancel trips and activities.

Please support our school by paying for trips, so that we can continue to run them for the benefit of all.

If you are finding it difficult to pay, please speak to the school office.

Jewellery

Please remember that jewellery should not be worn at school. Stud earrings are allowed unless your child is participating in P.E. that day.

Growth Mindset:



A Prayer for the week

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

May the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you.

May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.

And may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Amen.



Car Park

We are very fortunate that we can use the Church car park at the beginning and end of the day. Please park carefully and show respect to all vehicles left there. Please do not leave valuables on show in your vehicles.



Welcome!

Welcome to our new support members of staff!

Mrs Jago— Supporting across the school

Mrs Marsh—Supporting across the school

Mrs Brown—Supporting in Year 2

Slough Singing Festival



This year the festival will be on Wednesday 27th November 2019

Please could all Year 5 and 6 children in the School Choir reply to the letter detailing this very special Christmas event being held in Windsor. We must have all replies by the end of this week in order to book our travel arrangements. Extra copies of the letter can be collected from the school office.

Local Events

On the 13th of November between 4 and 9pm At HOPE in The Observatory Slough, Slough Happiness Collective will be celebrating World Kindness day. There will be lots of fun activities and ideas to take away.

On Friday and Saturday this week there will be music and story time at The Curve.

School Uniform

Please make sure that all uniform worn and brought into school is clearly labelled with your child's full name. The lost property bunkers are getting full again. Thank you.

Cake sale

We will be holding a cake sale and coffee morning on the 28th of November in order to raise money for book and resources for our school. Any donations would be greatly received either on the day or day before and we would love to see you there.

Breakfast club

Breakfast club is open from 8.15am. Children are not to be left on the school site unattended. If children are on site before 8.45am they must attend Breakfast club or early morning groups.

Calendar Dates for your diary:

14/11	Year 5 reading workshop	9:15 am
	Year 4 reading workshop	2:45 pm
	Year 6 reading workshop	5:30 pm
19/11	Nasal flu vaccination (Not Nursery)	
19/11	Year 2 writing workshop	9:15 am
20/11	School Photos	
28/11	Cake sale	8:15 am
29/11	Christmas Decoration Day	
03/12	Year 4 Christmas production	2:15 pm
04/12	Year 4 Christmas production	10:00 am
05/12	Year 3 writing workshop	9:00 am — 11:00 am
06/12	Non-Uniform Day	
10/12	KS2 Reconciliation service	11:15 am
	Reception Christmas Production	2:15pm
11/12	Reception Christmas Production	10:00 am
	KS1 Reconciliation Service	3:00 pm
12/12	Y1 Christmas production	2:15 pm
13/12	Y1 Christmas production	10.00 am
	Christmas Family Disco Party	6:00 pm—8:00 pm
16/12	School Christmas Fair	3:30 pm —5:30 pm
17.12.19	End of term Mass	
18.12.19	Christmas dinner and jumper day	
19.12.19	Nursery Christmas workshops	
20.12.19	School finishes 1.30pm	

30 Hours Funded Places for Nursery

From January 2020 we are looking to offer full-day nursery in our setting. Please register your interest by completing a form at the main school office as soon as possible.

If you are unsure if you are eligible, please visit the [Childcare Choices website](#), which is a government website that will explain your options.

If you require any further information, please speak to the EYFS team.

There is a deadline for applying for your 30 hours code via the website.

We are also looking to offer extended sessions for those that may not be entitled to 30 hour funding. Please also let us know if this is of interest to you.

Non-Uniform Day for our Christmas Fair

To help us to prepare for our Christmas Fair, we would like to encourage all children to wear their own clothes on Friday 6th December 2019. We would like children to come with a donation for our fair, ideally with the items listed below. We would also appreciate support from our families on the day to make this a huge success. Krisztina Varga is our PTA lead. Please get in touch with her or the school office to offer help with stalls, making and setting up.

Thank you for your support!



Nursery— Fill a jar

Fill a jar with anything for a stall of sweets, treats, pre-loved items. Ask Miss Knox for ideas!

Reception— Chocolate

for our Chocolate Tombola

Year 1— Stationery for our stationery stall (note pads, fluffy pens/pencils, etc.)

Year 2—Bottles (alcohol, soft drinks, etc)

Year 3— Small items for our lucky dip

Year 4—pre-loved Christmas decorations

Year 5—nearly new items and books

Year 6— Toiletries (body creams, bubble bath, nail polish, etc.)

Christmas Decoration Day

This year children will be making Christmas decorations to sell at the school Christmas Fair. Please make sure you come along and see the beautiful decorations that the children have made, making sure you snap up the decoration made by your child!

Thank you



First Holy Communion 2020

If your child is in Year 3 or 4 and you would like them to take their First Holy Communion in 2020, please speak to the Parish team. Your child will need to attend church and complete a form.

Please speak with the Catechists any Sunday to find our more information about when classes will start.



Christmas Card Competition



Children are invited to design a Christmas Card, with the winning Christmas card from each year being printed!



Please bring your entries
into your class teacher by

Wednesday 20th November

for your chance to have your card printed and to
receive a prize!

Your design should be no larger than A4 in size
and should be designed with printing in mind (no
3-D designs please, as they cannot be printed.)




St. Anthony's Christmas Fair 2019

Games Raffle Prizes

Candles Arts and Crafts

Tombola Lucky Dip

Decorations 

Nearly New Gifts

Cakes and lots more...

Come and join us for festive cheer on
Monday 16th December
3:30 to 5:30



THERE IS AN URGENT NEED IN SLOUGH...

FOSTER
CARERS
CHANGE
LIVES

"My carers are like family and, because they're local, I'm still close to everything I know."

"At first my carers were complete strangers but I settled in fast and have never felt alone."

"Fostering has changed our lives for the better and we feel well supported."

"My own children are proud to be part of a fostering family."

Find out more about the generous payments and support we offer.

Text FOSTER to 60066 or call 01753 690960.

*The quotes used in this graphic come from Slough Children's Services Trust's carers and young people.

