# Saint Anthony's Catholic Primary School and Nursery

## **Newsletter**



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Last Sunday Jesus offered us a way of dealing with conflict and misunderstanding; we are to go to those whom we have hurt or who have hurt us and work out our differences as best we can. In Sundays Gospel this theme and message of forgiveness continues. Peter asks Jesus, 'Lord how often must I forgive those who wrong me, as often as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'Not seven, but seventy-seven times.' In other words, there is no limit to the amount of times that we are to offer forgiveness. To illustrate this Jesus tells a parable. Often the parables of Jesus need some work to figure their meaning; this is not one of them! This story is simple but profound and very challenging. The lesson for us today could not be any clearer or demanding. We who have experienced God's love and forgiveness are to forgive others. It is in the Our Father that this gospel is found: 'forgive us as we forgive those...' We receive God's pardon and forgiveness freely without question or limit and we are asked to share this forgiveness with others graciously, freely and without question. This is not to suggest or imply that forgiveness or reconciliation is easy at all. Some hurts and wounds are so deep that the journey to healing and reconciliation is a long and winding road and not the work of a single moment. But it is a journey. As we start a new week let us think carefully about our words and actions and how these effect other people.

#### **Last Week:**

We are definitely all adjusting to the new routines of school and the children have been fantastic. Last week we celebrated worship all together virtually and on Friday we celebrated Mass with our new Parish Priest, Father Nathaniel. His message of love was very Important and one that we have explored with the children throughout this week.









Year 5 have not wasted any time in getting their creative juices flowing. Well done to Pheobe in 5M who had her brilliant writing on show for the whole class to appreciate! She has shown that she is able to use figurative language confidently! Zara in 6J has also been showcasing some fantastic writing. Year 6 have been drawing their self portraits, I am sure they will love poking back at these before they start year 7!

#### The WORD of the Week:

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

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."

1 John 1:9

#### **Timings**

Year group	Start of the day	End of the day
Nursery	Morning- 8.20 Afternoon- 12.15	Morning- 11.30 Afternoon- 3.15
Reception	8.35	2.50
1	9.05	3.20
2	8.15	2.30
3	8.55	3.10
4	8.25	2.40
5	8.45	3.00
6	9.15	3.30

## Breakfast Club/ Holding club

There are a limited amount of places for breakfast club and holding club which operates until 3.30pm. Please sign up if you need to via parent pay.

#### **Macmillan**

Unfortunately this year we cannot hold our usual coffee and cake morning. Instead we are asking that the children come in wearing one colourful item and make a donation to the Macmillan charity. This can be done via 'Parent Pay' or in a sealed envelope. The children could wear coloured-socks, a t-shirt, tights, shorts etc along with their normal school uniform. This event will take place Friday 18th September.

#### **Growth Mindset:**

Our quote for this week is:





## Prayer for the week

O Lord God,

I hope by your grace for the pardon of all my sins and after life here to gain eternal

happiness.

because you have promised it who are infinitely powerful, faithful, kind, and merciful.

In this hope I intend to live and die.

Amen.



#### Thought for today



#### Clubs

Clubs are now live on parent Pay. Or available via club holders websites. Please note they operate on a first come first serve basis. All clubs start W/C 21-09-20

#### **Places**

We still have some places in some year groups throughout the school. If you know anyone that is looking at schools in Slough, please ask them to contact the office for more information. There is a link on our twitter page with more information.

@saintanthonyslough

#### 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.



#### **Staying Safe**

Please make sure when you are on school site you are maintaining social distancing to minimise the risk of the virus spreading.

#### **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)
- 2 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)
- 2 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.