

# St. Anthony's Catholic Primary School and Nursery

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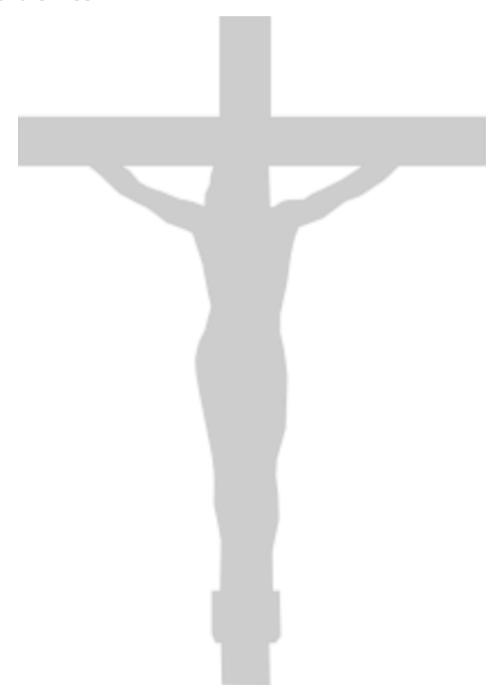
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## Word of the Week

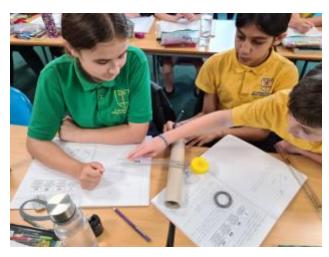


Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.

# This week at St. Anthony's

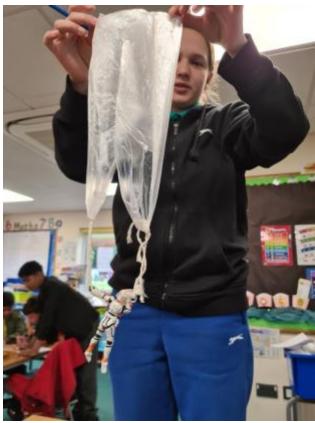


6 John have been very busy again in science: creating parachutes out of household items and experimenting with fulcrums to create the most effective lever. This has been an very exciting topic for them this term and they have enjoyed it immensely.











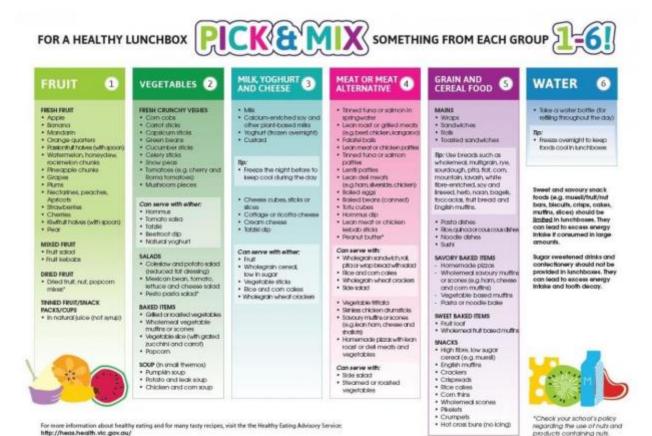
# **Nursery & Reception**



Now is the time to apply for Nursery spaces. Our Nursery is thriving and we have an excellent team of dedicated staff. We have spaces for 30 hours and are exploring our options for two year-old spaces. Please contact the school office for more information, or to express your interest for two-year old spaces.

We also still have some spaces left for Reception commencing September 2021. If you are interested or know somebody who is, please contact the school office as soon as possible.

## Lunchboxes





1 - We promote a healthy living and eating life style for all our children. The children learn all about what foods to eat in order to get the best out of our bodies and brains and become the best learners we can be. We would really appreciate the support from home in also promoting this message. Please do not put chocolate and high sugar/salt products in your children's lunch boxes. For some ideas and guidance please see the website and posters below:

https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes

# Virtual prayer group & Prayer of the week



At St Thomas Academy Trust, we are running a virtual prayer group, anonymously praying for our children, families and staff in the community. All staff, governors, parents/carers and parishioners are invited to be involved. If we have enough volunteers, it is hoped that each person would be asked to join the group twice a year. The group will meet at 7pm (lasting appx. 20 minutes) on the first Monday of each month. If you would like be part of this prayer group, please email Nikki Tew at ntew@stanthonys.slough.sch.uk



## Mother Teresa's Anyway Poem

People are often unreasonable, illogical and self centered;

Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives;

Be kind anyway.

If you are successful, you will win some false friends and some true enemies;

Succeed anyway.

If you are honest and frank, people may cheat you;

Be honest and frank anyway.

What you spend years building, someone could destroy overnight;

Build anyway.

If you find serenity and happiness, they may be jealous;

Be happy anyway.

The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow;

Do good anyway.

Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough;

Give the world the best you've got anyway.

You see, in the final analysis, it is between you and your God;

It was never between you and them anyway.

## **End of Term finish times**



Please be reminded that school closes at 1.30 pm on Wednesday 21st July for Reception - Year 6.

Nursery will finish on Tuesday 20th July at the usual time.

## St. Anthony's Fun Day



Don't forget, we have our fun day tomorrow!

As part of this day, children will also have a non-uniform day to raise money to support the Meningitis Research Foundation. We will have buckets outside of the gates at the beginning and end of the day to collect any donations. We will also set up a way to donate via Parent Pay, if you would prefer. We thank you for your support of this worth-while charitable organisation.

## **Messages and Reminders**



#### RAPID COVID-19 TESTS NOW AVAILABLE FOR HOUSEHOLDS WITH CHILDREN OF SCHOOL AGE

Whole families and households with primary school, secondary school and college age children, including childcare and support bubbles, are now able to test themselves twice every week from home.

Rapid testing detects cases quickly – in under 30 minutes – meaning positive cases can isolate immediately. This can be the difference between children being able to stay in school, or a class being sent home due to an outbreak. It could also be the difference between a workplace having to close for a period, or being able to stay open and running.

How do I get home testing kits?

There are 3 different options on how you and your household can get tested: 1. Order kits to test your household by visiting https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests 2. Find a local site to get tested at by visiting https://maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk/find-covid-19-rapid-test-sites and entering your postcode to find your nearest testing site 3. Find a local site where you can collect tests by visiting https://find-covid-19-rapid-test-sites.maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk/ and entering your postcode to find your nearest collection site.

Please do not contact the school for home testing kits as they are only available by these 3 options. We do not hold any testing kits on school premises for our families.

We would love to hear your feedback! It is so nice to talk to you on the gate and hear positive feedback.

Please email: **catchup@stanthonys.slough.sch.uk** with feedback and messages for our school, children, learning and community and it will be shared via Twitter on feedback Friday!

#### Its good to talk!

Times are hard for lots of us at the moment and there is no harm in admitting that and asking for help. Talking Therapies is a free NHS service here to support the residents of Berkshire aged 17+ who may be struggling with difficulties including: low mood, anxiety and stress at this unprecedented time.

If you are in need of support you can call the Talking Therapies admin team on 0300 365 2000, alternatively you can Sign Up via their website referral form.

#### Respecting staff members

Please remember how hard our staff members work for your children. There have been a few incidences recently where, unfortunately, our staff have been left feeling upset and embarrassed by unkind and

unpleasant language and behaviour towards them at the gate. If you have any concerns, please do share them in a respectful manner with the office or SLT. Many thanks.

### Safety at the gate in the morning

There is increasing concern being raised about the safety of children coming into schooling the morning, where cars are pulling to the school car park. Please wait on the grass or pavement either side of the gate and leave the gate clear for passing traffic. We want to make sure that children and adults are safe at all times, please support us with this.

#### **Helmets**

If you child is cycling to and from school it is imperative that they wear a helmet. We have had a lot of children not doing so over recent weeks and we cannot stress the importance of this enough.

#### **Vacancies**

We currently have a temporary vacancy for a cleaner, every day 3.45-5.45. If you are interested please contact the office.

#### **Lenten Appeal**

Our lovely staff are joining CAFOD Walk for water for our Lenten appeal. If you would like to sponsor them please do using the following link: <a href="https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/st-anthonys-walk-for-water">https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/st-anthonys-walk-for-water</a>

## **Contact us**



We always welcome your feedback and hope we can answer any questions you may have. Although the office is currently closed, we will still answer emails and phone calls.

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