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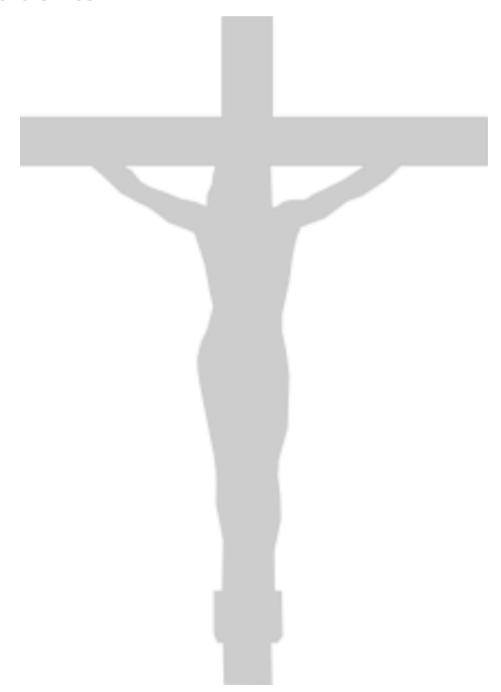
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Gospel Reflection



On Sunday we heard the Gospel of John on the Fifth Sunday of Easter. In this Gospel we were reminded of the love that God has for us and that He cultivates love through His message. Through doing good things we grow and He wants us to follow His example, supporting and helping each other. Jesus called us His branches and He is the tree, just like a tree trunk supports the branches of a tree. The children have been talking about the conditions that are best of us to grow, with love, support and nurturing. Through working together and helping each other, the children have reflected on how they can be the best that they can be. We have linked this to looking after our planet and how we can affect climate change through positive actions.

Word of the Week



"I am the vine, and you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will bear much fruit; for you can do nothing without me. John 15:1-8.

This week at St. Anthony's



Well done to classes 1 Joshua, 1 Mark and 3 Daniel who all had 100% attendance last week. As a prize, you can wear your own clothes this Friday.



Star of the week for week ending 30th April



CLASS	Name
Nursery	Bryan
Reception Noah	Ruby
Reception Abraham	Eric
1 Mark	Lena
1 Ruth	Ella
1 Moses	Natasha
1 Joshua	Olivier
2 Gideon	Nathan
2 David	Aleksander
3 Daniel	Oisin
3 Jonah	Ines
3 Esther	Lucy
Eden	Daniel
4 Magdalene	Alex C
4 Elizabeth	Julia W
4 Baptist	Thanushan
5 Luke	Takudzwa
5 Peter	Joshdeep
5 Matthew	Sonaksha
6 Catherine	Vanessa
6 Paul	Avneet G
6 John	Aryan

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.

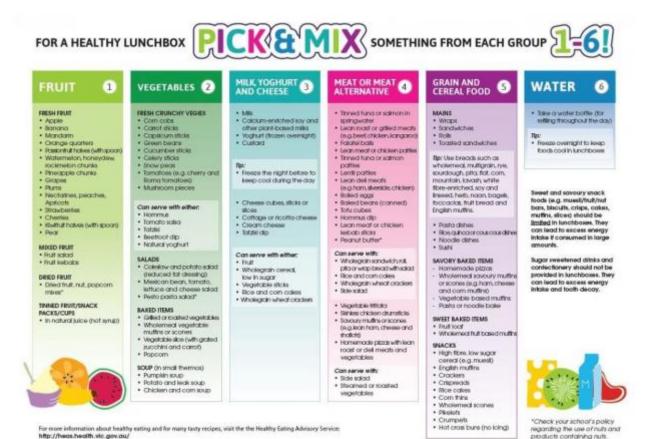
Parent workshops



Maths - 10th May 2021 4:00pm Join through your child's Teams account

Please note that these sessions will be recorded for parents/carers to view later. If you do not wish to be videoed, please switch your camera to off. There is the 'chat' option available and you can watch the video recorded at a later time, if you would prefer.

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

Prayer: Generous God, support us in all we do as a vine supports its branches, and help us to support and share with others around the world, especially those who are affected by the changing climate. Amen.

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.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club entry is at the Stafford gate at 8:15 prompt.

PTA & Events

We always welcome any help and support from our parents and with the restrictions slowly lifting we are hoping to arrange some events over the next term. If you are interested in getting involved, please contact the school office or talk to a member of staff.

#feedbackFriday

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.

After School Clubs

These are now live on ParentPay. Spaces are limited and strictly first come first serve.

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.

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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