



St Antony's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

18th December 2017



Important School Dates:

Dates	Events for Autumn Term 2 2017
30 th October	Staff & Governor's Inset- 'RE: The Most CORE of All Subjects -It Changes Lives!'
31 st October	Staff & Governor's Inset- Safeguarding is Everybody's Business - 'Policy is Practise!'
1 st Nov.	School Resumes for all staff and pupils
2 nd Nov.	All Saints and All Souls Mass-Whole Sch.
9 th Nov	Full Governing Body Meeting 6:30pm
10 th Nov	Drama Club & Choir Remembrance Assembly- Jr. Leaders to Armistice Day
13 th Nov	Literacy Week Launch
15 th Nov	EYFS (Viridis/Nursery/Reception) & Yr. 1 Parents PHONICS Workshop-Hall 9am-AHT
17 th Nov	Aspen Class Assembly-9:30am
20 th Nov	English & Phonics Observation Week- JB
21 st Nov	GPS Parents' Workshop 9am Hall- JB & OH
24 th Nov	Hazelnut Class Assembly-9:30am Hall
27 th Nov	Assessment Week For Core Subjects
29 th -1 st Dec	Core & Non- Core Book Scrutiny in all Phase Groups Head & SLT/Subject Leads Check
8 th Dec	Nursery Christmas Concert 10am
12 th Dec	Reception Christmas Concert-Hall 10am
13 th Dec	Year 1 Christmas Concert-Hall 10am
15 th Dec	Year 2 Christmas Concert-Hall 10am Class Parties 1:30pm-Christmas Jumper Day
18 th Dec	KS2 Carol Concert- In Church 1:45 -3:15pm
19 th Dec.	Whole School Mass 10am in Church
Last Day Of Half Term	Whole School Christmas Lunch 11am-1:30pm in the main Hall

Next Half Term Dates To Remember:

- 2nd January Inset Day -No School for Children
- 3rd January School Resumes for children& staff



From The Head Teacher's Desk

This week we celebrate the Virtues and Values Of :

CHRISTMAS: THE HOLY FAMILY

On Sunday we celebrated the Third Sunday Of ADVENT.

Reading: John 1vs 6-8: John the Baptist said: "I am not Jesus or Elijah but I am a voice crying out in the wilderness prepare yourselves to meet Jesus- the one I came to point you towards!"

Pointing the Way to Jesus



In today's Gospel reading we hear about the people being filled with expectation for the coming of the Messiah. Saint John the Baptist told the people how to prepare for his coming- by doing good and repenting of their sins.

At first the people thought that John the Baptist might be the Messiah. But Saint John was only a messenger. We can think of him as a sign-post pointing the way to Jesus. People came to see and hear him, and he showed them the way to God.




How can you be like Saint John the Baptist and show other people the way to Jesus?

Angela Moore

IMPORTANT DATES FOR CHRISTMAS

8 TH Dec	Nursery Christmas Concert @10am and 2pm in the Nursery Class Room
12 th Dec	Reception Christmas Concert @10am - Hall
13 Dec	Year 1 Christmas Concert @ 10am- in the Hall
15 Dec	Year 2 Christmas Concert @ 10am -in the Hall
15 Dec SCHOOL DISCO	PTFA Run Fund Raiser: National Christmas Jumper Day for all staff and pupils £1-Non-Uniform Day for all SCHOOL DISCO 6-9pm - in the Hall
18 Dec	KS2 Christmas Concert-Church 1:45pm
19 Dec	Whole School Mass 10am -Church Viridis Christmas Concert-11:30am School Closes for Christmas Holiday

GAUDETE SUNDAY



The Third Sunday of Advent is called *Gaudete Sunday*, the day when we light the pink candle on the Advent wreath (hence the 'pink candle' Sunday). Rose vestments are worn to emphasize our joy that Christmas is near.

Gaudete means "rejoice". This day reminds us of the joy that is to come, and serves, amid this season of penance, as a kind of 'break' when we recall the hope we have because of the coming of Our Lord Jesus.

School Clubs Timetable



After School Clubs

Aerial View of St Antony's Choir Bringing Christmas Cheer at Newham General Hospital !



Patients and visitors at Newham General Hospital were treated to some Christmas Cheer by Miss Heyman, Master Chan and the Performing Arts Team along with the children of Our School's Choir. Newham Hospital Staff and Patients were eternally grateful to the children for bringing JOY to them!

***Parents please be reminded that there will be NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS: Monday December 18th and Tuesday 19th/12/17.**



Golden Book Achievers 15/12/17

Class	Pupils	
Beech	Kadejah	Jacques
Pine	Ellie	Giorgia
Olive	Keisha	Shayne
Palm	Emma	David
Aspen	Sofia	Jenyce
Cedar	Omar	Zoya
Sycamore	Georgia	Sebastian
Willow	Junior	David
Chestnut	Phenial	Angel
Hazelnut	Sky	Enzo
Almond	Kaye	Jose
Walnut	Carla Shaniel	Tomaz

ST ANTONY'S HAD A WONDERFUL NATIONAL CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY ON FRIDAY 15TH DECEMBER!



Save the Children
CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

Congratulations to Lemar of Aspen Class and his mum, nan and family for being the BEST DRESSED FAMILY on Disco Night (Christmas hats, glasses, gloves and socks)! Also, to the COSTA family for being the biggest extended family (all 12 of them) all dressed in their festive Christmas Jumpers!



Attendance and Punctuality

(All attendance and punctuality is strictly monitored by the school & Newham)
For Week Ending 15/12/17

Class	% Attendance	Class	% Attendance
Beech	97.3	Pine	95.0
Olive	98.3	Palm	95.0
Aspen	97	Cedar	97
Sycamore	95	Willow	95
Chestnut	95	Hazelnut	97
Almond	97	Walnut	98
School overall attendance		96.3	

Well done to all classes with great attendance last Week...especially **Olive & Walnut** with 98%!
Most classes also had very high punctuality as well. Wonderful parents we've ended the term well!

Lining Up and House Points

Winners for week ending 15/12/17:

KS2 Chestnut Class – Year 5

KS1 Olive ClassYear 2

House Points Champs were St Josephine

FLU Vaccines – Nasal Spray were given to all pupils of years 1-4 on Wednesday December 13th 2017 by the NHS Nurses. Letters went out to all relevant parents. Thank you all for your kind cooperation!

Our School Nurse Hannah Straker comes in every Thursday between 1:30pm & 3:30pm for drop in, group or class sessions. Contact her via the SENCO or Mrs Samuel should you need an appointment.



Here to help you!



The PTFA President Mrs Lucia De Sousa, President Elect Mrs Lotoya White and Vice President Miss Robinson wish to say:



To all the parents, friends, children and staff who made this year's SCHOOL DISCO the best ever!!! Please have a Blessed Christmas and a Peace filled New Year !