



St Antony's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Monday 23rd September, 2019



Important School Dates:

Dates	Events for Autumn Term 2019
2 nd Sept	Staff & Governor's Inset— Our VISION Professionalism in Policy & Practise
3 rd Sept	School Resumes for all staff and pupils Years 5 & 6 begin at 8am each morning Breakfast Club, Viridis & MAE all start
4-6 th Sept	Baseline Assessments for all classes
5 th Sept	All Deanery Schools Mass @St Antony's
9 th Sept	All After School Clubs & Boosters begin
11 th Sept	Yr. 6 Parents' Evening/Secondary Sch. Application & Expectations
12 th Sept.	Whole School Mass-All welcome 10am KS1 Parents Information Meeting 5:30
14 Sept.	Saturday Classes Begin for all pupils focus: SATS prep & Reading , GPS Writing & Maths for years 1-5 pupils
18 th Sept. 19 th Sept	Parents Info Evening for Yrs. 3-5 5:30 Parents Info Evening for EYFS 5:30pm
20 th Sept	Yr.6 Walnut & Almond Class Assembly MOTOWN THEME linked to BHM
23 rd Sept	Staff Appraisal Week: Target Setting
26 th Sept	Full Governor's meeting 6:30pm
27 th Sept	Palm & Olive Class Assembly 9 :15
30 th Sept.	Black History Month Launch : 'Record Breakers & Record Makers'
3 rd Oct.	Parents History Workshop 9am
7 th Oct	English Observation Week
11 th Oct	Hazelnut Class Assembly-BHM Theme
15 th Oct.	Parents Consultation Evening 3:30-6pm
17 th Oct.	Parents Consultation Evening 3:30-6pm
18 th Oct	Whole School BHM Performance Showcase 9:15am -Hall
28-29 th Oct.	Staff & Governor Inset Days-No School for pupils

HALF TERM BREAK : 21st -25th OCTOBER

***School resumes 30th October 2019 for all**

Let's make this year another great one!

THE SCHOOL BELL AND GATES

Parents and carers please be reminded that the bell is rung at 8:45am sharp each morning and that the children are then led inside to class to begin early work. All the school gates are then closed at 9am on the dot! Please leave home in good time to get your children to school early each day. Please cooperate with staff safeguarding our children each day. PLEASE PARK IN PARKING ZONES ONLY –SECURE & SAFEGUARD ALL!



From The Head Teacher's Desk

Our Virtue This Week Is: **HELPLESSNESS**



"Our prime purpose in life is to help others"...Dali Lama

The definition of helpfulness is: *'being of good service both to the people closest to us and to those we come in contact with'*. Doing thoughtful things that make a difference in the lives of others is one way of making the world a better place. True Helpfulness has a prerequisite that makes it unique from other virtues. Helpfulness requires that we take the time to be observant and aware of the other person first- so that we may have a better understanding of their needs. Helpfulness comes from a heart of caring and a desire to really assist the other person, group or organisation being helped. Before we can be helpful, we must seek to understand the best way to help the individual or organisation- as the wrong kind of help can make the situation worse! This is evidenced in the old proverb: *"give a man a fish and you feed him for a day....teach him to fish and feed him for life!"* Most of us have the very best intentions, but sometimes it comes down to whether or not we really understand the needs of the person, family, group or organisation we are trying to help so that we can best meet their needs. If someone needs food-it makes no sense giving them clothes. Angela Moore

Always Remember.....



Correct School Uniform

Our Winter Uniform Is Our Official School Uniform:

Years 1-6 Girls & Boys Nursery & Reception



The Nursery and Reception boys and girls uniform is also our whole school PE Kit. Yrs. 1-6 girls may wear a V-neck jumper or cardigan.

Girls in years 1-6 must wear:

White long/short sleeved shirt
School tie, bottle green jumper/cardigan with school crest/logo
Bottle green skirt or tunic
Black, green, grey, white socks/tights
*No ankle socks are allowed
Black shoes (NOT Trainers)

Boys in years 1-6 must wear:

White long/short sleeved shirt
School tie & bottle green jumper with crest
Black, green, grey, white socks
Black shoes (NO Trainers) Black or grey trousers

All Wear: Correct PE Kit + trainers for PE only
bottle green jogging bottoms/shorts and school jumper with their yellow polo shirts

COATS: Plain Black/ Grey/ Dark Green/ Navy only

EYFS: (Viridis, Nursery and Reception) wear the school's PE KIT as their daily uniform:
bottle green jogging bottoms/shorts and school jumper with their yellow polo shirts.

COMPETITION TIME

As was discussed at all our **Parents Info. Evenings** held over the last two weeks- we will be publishing a weekly graph showing the classes where parents have paid their School Improvement Fund. **The winning class will win a prize at the end of this term!**

Healthy Foods and Healthy Eating

Parents are asked to give pupils healthy snacks of **fruit, sandwiches, smoothies, cereal bars or yogurt** for break or after school snacks daily. Eg:



The Foods in the list below are **NOT allowed** at school as a daily routine :

- ⦿ Sweets of any form (eg. chocolates, sugar sticks)
 - ⦿ Crisps, cakes or pop-corn of any form (Large or small packets)
 - ⦿ Bubble gum is NOT ever allowed on premises
 - ⦿ Fizzy drinks in cans or bottles are never allowed. Water is always welcomed.
 - ⦿ Fast foods: McDonalds, Pizzas, Chips etc.
- *For Class Parties, Events/ Treats at the end of term/year we do make allowances.**

Breakfast Club & Booster Classes

Booster classes are held for all years 5 & 6 pupils each week -Monday to Friday at 8:00 and Breakfast Club is also held from 8am until 8:45 each morning for any pupils from all classes. Breakfast Club Pupils are asked to go straight to Viridis & Booster Groups to their classes each morning. All parents are reminded that on Mondays there is a Staff Briefing at 8:30am but designated staff will be on hand to supervise and safeguard pupils from: 8:30am on KS1 and KS2 playgrounds. The first bell goes at 8:45am sharp each day, after which pupils line up quietly and go to class.

We Need Your Help For Our Black History Month Focus This Year... It's MOTOWN!



Were you a real fashionista in the 60s and 70s? Do you have fabulous pictures of yourself to send in with your children for our displays? Let us know

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT FUND 2019-2020

Parents are asked to ensure that they pay their School Improvement Fund It is only £30 per family at this school and not per child as at others. **To Open Your PAY Plus User Account log on to:**
<https://payments.atomwide.com/stantonyscatholic/>
Contact Mr McDonald for assistance
Are You eligible for Pupil Premium/FREE SCHOOL MEALS? Not sure? Then log on to: pps.lgfl.org.uk