



# St Antony's Catholic Primary Academy Newsletter

Week Beginning Monday 23rd February, 2026



## Important School Dates:

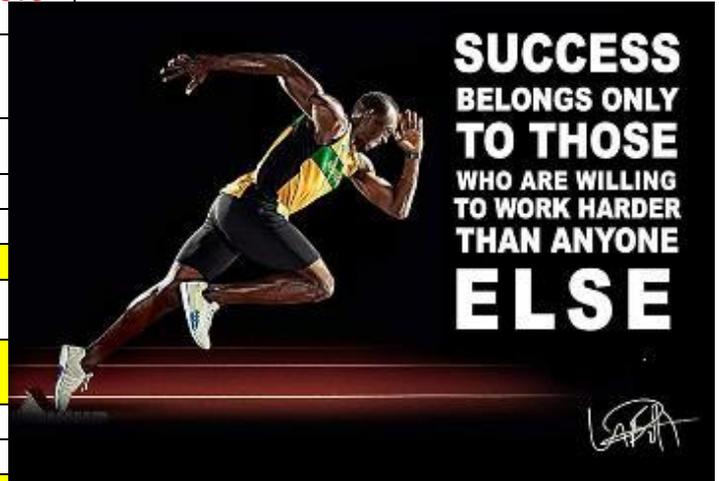
Dates	Key Events for Spring Term 2- 2026
23rd Feb	School Resumes for all Staff and Pupils. Whole School Celebration of the Word-Assembly All After School Clubs -continue this week.
24th Feb	Staff Meeting CPD: ZONES OF REGULATION for all &EAs in the Hall @3:30 with NIKITA- NHS&CAMHS
26th Feb	Cherry Class at Adoration in Church - Fr. Arnaud Parish Alpha Christian Formation Course 6:30pm E&S Governors Meeting 6:30 AHT, DHT& HT Report
27th Feb	PINE CLASS ASSEMBLY @9am Parents Invited MAT CFO, HT & Admin Team Meeting pm
2nd March	Celebration of the Word & Book Month Focus
3rd March	Staff Meeting: Marvellous March Programme Launch
4th March	Whole School MASS @ 10am Church-Parents Invited
5th March	Peach Class Adoration@ Church-Parish Team- R&R Governors Meeting 6:30 HT, SFO & MAT CFO
6th March	Marvellous March Book Month Launch by Yr.6 Yr. 3 CTs RED Training in Brentwood
9th March	Whole School Geography Observations all wk
10th March	Staff CPD: Pupil Progress Case studies -AHT led
11th March	Parents' Reading Workshop @9am -J. Baptiste
12th March	Aspen Class Adoration @Church-Parish Team Full Governors' Board Meeting 6:30 HT Reporting
13th March	Cherry Class Assembly 9am- Parents Invited Yr. 4 CTs RED -Training in Brentwood Sir David Amess Ceremony@ St Bon's 9am
17th March	Staff Meeting Time Given For Report Writing MHW
18th March	STANDARDS LEAD observing Geo across school & meeting Phase Leads on application of MAT TLA YEAR 5 CTs RED Training in Brentwood
19th March	Cedar Class Adoration@ Church/ HT MAT Meeting
20th March	PEACH CLASS ASSEMBLY-PARENTS INVITED
23rd March	Brilliant Club Book Month Performance @ 9am
24th March	Parents' Consultation Evening 1 all classes
25th March	Pre-Holy Week Whole School Mass@ Church 30 Yr 4 Pupils Trip to the Theatre - Parents to Pick up
26th March	Willow Class Adoration @ Church -Fr Arnaud Parents Consultation Evening 2-all classes
27th March	STATIONS OF THE CROSS-WHOLE SCHOOL
27th Mar	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL- EASTER BREAK
30th Mar	YEAR 6 BOOSTER CLASSES BEGIN 9am-1:30
1st April	Year 6 SATS Booster Classes Continue
2nd April	Last Day for SATS Booster Classes 2026
13th APRIL	SCHOOL BEGINS FOR SUMMER 1 TERM



## From The Head Teacher's Desk

Our Virtue Focus This Week Is:  
**COURAGE & DETERMINATION**

*"Success is the offspring of preparation, courage and determination" -Serenity*



Courage and Determination requires a mind-set that is goal centred and results focused. If we are determined we will always have a clear vision of what we want to achieve and a strategic plan of action on how to attain this.

Netflix has announced a new documentary on USAIN BOLT. In a recent interview with him (now retired as a professional athlete) and still deemed the *'Fastest Man Alive'* (as no one across the globe has managed to break his records set for the 100 and 200 meters to date); he stated that: *'dogged determination, courage and strong self- belief'* were the hall marks of his success.

When asked how he was able to achieve Gold Medals in sprinting in three successive Olympic Games (2008, 2012 and 2016)-a feat which had never been achieved before in athletics, and to date has not been equalled or surpassed in his sport; he responded by emphatically stating that: *"Everyone who competes professionally has certain qualities, namely: natural God given talent or a gift, a great team of expert coaches to guide and direct them and a high level of dedication and discipline to withstand the mental strain of consistent training and sacrifice that is required to succeed at the elite level of any sport. However, the key factor that I find is the game changer, is the level of sheer determination, courage and self-belief which one holds to keep driving onwards and upwards, when others around you are losing faith."*

Determination and courage allows us to achieve at the highest levels in any field, no matter how long it takes or how challenging the journey to the outcome gets-stick to it!

Let us all strive to be more courageous and determined in all that we do because ..."with Christ all things are possible!"



## Holy Week

Holy Week begins Palm Sunday 29/3/26, Holy Thursday & Good Friday 2nd & 3rd April

Easter Sunday 5th April 2026

Let Us Reflect On The Reason for the Season.

## SMSC & CITIZENSHIP CELEBRATION

OUR WEAR RED DAY CELEBRATION ON FRIDAY 13TH FEBRUARY WAS SPECTACULAR WITH THE MAYOR!



Mayor of Newham Rokhana Fiaz visited the school on Wear Red Day (SMSC Celebration Day) to congratulate the school on their amazing academic achievement and also to thank the Head, SMSC Team, SLT, children and staff for their commitment to the work that they continue to do in collaboration with Citizen's UK, The Living Wage and TELCO in Newham and across the wider national community for so many in need of advocacy and support. She acknowledged all the Charities the school works with.

## SMSC & CITIZENSHIP THEME FOR 2026: SERVING OUR COMMUNITY & COUNTRY



Margaret of our Major Charity CAFOD shares with the staff and children how much their support and donations do for the poor locally & globally



Above: Our Parents' generous donations for children and families in need. Below: Our little ones bring joy to the old and ill they visited and gave Valentine's Day Cards, original Poems & Prayers to the aged.



Above: Each Charity & Community Lead is gifted a piece of original Art Work from Yr. 5 children curated by Mrs Wiere. Below: All members of SLT, Charity & Community Leads, SMSC Team & Dancers pose with Mayor Fiaz.



Community Link Governor Paul Amuzie thanked all the staff and children on behalf of the Governing Board and the Charities, for their awesome, selfless generosity towards those in need in our local, regional and global community. He highlighted that 'Service to others is one of the best ways to establish peace and harmony in a world that is still so very divided today. Mrs Verdant and Charities agreed.



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