



# St Antony's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2023



## Important School Dates:

Dates	Events for Autumn Term 2023
1 <sup>st</sup> Sept	Staff & Governor's Inset: <b>Our VISION: Faith, Culture, Ethos, Catholic Life and Mission (CLM) in Policy &amp; Practise</b>
4 <sup>th</sup> Sept	<b>School Resumes</b> for all staff & Yrs. 1 -6 <b>EYFS Classes Phased Induction in groups</b> <b>Only Breakfast Club &amp; MAE Begin This Week</b>
5-8 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Baseline Assessments for all classes 1-6
6 <sup>th</sup> Sept	<b>RE Lead &amp; Reception CTs RED Training 1pm</b> OLOG MAT Schools' Staff Mass@ St Joachim's 4pm
7 <sup>th</sup> Sept	<b>Parents' Information Evening Yrs. 1 &amp; 2 5:30</b> Governors' R&R Committee Meeting 6:30
8 <sup>th</sup> Sept	<b>Whole School Mass @ Church 10am for all</b>
11 <sup>th</sup> Sept	<b>All After School Clubs Resume 3:30pm</b> <b>All EYFS classes resume in full V/N/R</b>
12 <sup>th</sup> Sept	<b>Parents Phonics Workshop 9am -Hall</b>
13 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	<b>Year 6 Parents Information Evening</b> <b>Secondary School Applications Info</b>
14 Sept	Parents' Wellbeing/Sustainability workshop Governor E&S Committee Meeting pm
20 <sup>st</sup> Sept	<b>Parents' Information Evening Yrs. 3,4&amp;5</b>
21 <sup>st</sup> Sept	<b>Full Governing Body Meeting 6:30pm</b>
27 <sup>th</sup> Sept	<b>Literacy Day- Reading Workshops</b>
28 <sup>th</sup> Sept	<b>EYFS Parents Information Evening 5:30</b>
29 <sup>th</sup> Sept	<b>Yr. 6 Black History Month Launch</b> <b>Assembly: YOUNG, GIFTED &amp; GREAT!</b>
4 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	<b>Parents History Workshop 9am</b>
17 <sup>th</sup> Oct	<b>Parents' Consultation Evening</b>
19 <sup>th</sup> Oct	<b>Parents' Consultation Evening</b>
20 <sup>st</sup> Oct.	<b>BHM Celebration Day:</b> Cultural Dress Up Day & Fashion Show, Dance, Poetry Performances, Drama & Singing
23 <sup>rd</sup> -27 <sup>th</sup>	<b>HALF TERM BREAK</b>

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES

Children in Year 4 Classes are invited to sign up for FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES September 2023. EMAIL: [forestgate@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:forestgate@dioceseofbrentwood.org)

**Applications close September 22nd**  
**Programme begins 24<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

## 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 support staff on the gates safeguarding our children each day. **KINDLY PARK IN PARKING ZONES ONLY –SECURE & SAFEGUARD ALL!**



From The Head Teacher's Desk

## Our Virtue Of The Week Is: **VISION**

*"It is a far worse affliction to have sight but lack vision"* Hellen Keller

### WHAT IS VISION?

- **Vision is having a clear intent** -visualising the outcome you want to attain and having the faith needed to take the steps to ensure that you achieve that aspiration.
- **It warrants** not compromising on your values, morals or the quality of work needed in the pursuit of that ultimate goal.
- **It demands** focussed effort and making the sacrifices needed for actualization.
- **It requires** being able to foresee and pre-empt possible obstacles or threats so that you can strategically avoid or minimise the possible impact on the desired outcome.
- **It perceives** the difference between a choice that feels right and **a choice that is right** in the long term resulting in bringing that vision to fruition.

**OUR VISION AT ST ANTONY'S HAS Christ AT THE CENTRE** as we work as agents of positive change,

which engages all stakeholders: **Governors, Staff, Parents, Children, Church and wider Community.** We inspire all our children from Nursery to Year 6 to work diligently and collaboratively with each other and all relevant agencies -to aspire to achieve their fullest individual potential and beyond. Our school will function as a centre of excellence and an axis of positive transformation and development with a positive, progressive and holistic approach to life, learning and living while upholding our core Christian and British Values- leading all towards the achievement of their individual highest academic, socio-economic and sustainable life goals by *working together in God's Love.*

I invite you all to embrace the new academic year with

**FAITH** ...as nothing great was ever achieved without it! *AM*

## Welcome Back & Always Remember.....

If You Are Working On Something That You Really Care About, You Don't Have To Be Pushed. The Vision Pulls You.

-Steve Jobs

## School Clubs Timetable



### After School Clubs

After School Clubs begin the **week of the 11<sup>th</sup> September 2023**. Our Out Of Hours Learning Lead, Mr Hodges and his team will retain all children already registered in the clubs they are in for 2023-2024- new pupils will fill vacant slots across all clubs. All children, including year six pupils are encouraged to join at least two clubs per week; as our aim is to make our pupils optimally rounded- balancing academic prowess while fully developing all their latent talents and skills in a range of areas. Our generous staff gives their time to run clubs **so we require all our children in clubs to behave appropriately or this privilege could be lost.**

Children who do NOT follow our GOLDEN RULES will lose their places in clubs and compliant children asked to replace them. Contact: the PE TEAM LEAD Mr Hodges for further information

### Class Staff Deployment For 2023-2024

Class	Staff Leading Classes/Settings
Viridis -2yrs	Mrs J. Hamilton
Nursery	Mrs H. Sohail
Cherry	Mrs R D Antao
Peach	Mrs L. White (EYFS Phase Lead)
Beech	Mr David Gullan (New)
Pine	Miss Usma Patel (New)
Olive	Miss S. Estepa
Palm	Mrs R McDonald (KS1 Phase Lead)
Aspen	Mr K. Curran
Cedar	Mrs M R Koti
Sycamore	Miss Rachel Rubin (New)
Willow	Miss A Hussain
Chestnut	Miss G. Fils
Hazelnut	Mrs N Nazir & Mr N Chan
Walnut & Almond	Miss Y. Wade (KS2 Phase Lead) Mrs Uthman, Mrs Oforiwa

Mr C Hodges.....PE and Out of Hours Learning Lead  
**Senior Leadership Team:**

**Mrs A. Moore:** Head Teacher

**Miss Wade:** Deputy Head Teacher & KS2 Lead

**Mrs McDonald:** Assistant Head & KS1 Lead

**Miss Baptiste:** AAHT, SENCO & DSL

**Mrs White-** EYFS Phase Lead

### SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT FUND 2023-2024

All parents are asked to ensure that they make their **School Improvement Fund (SIF)** payments by 25<sup>th</sup> Sept . A letter will be sent home with the details. It is only **£30 per family** at our school and not per child as at others. This support from parents helps us with continually improving the school facilities and learning environment.

### Daily Dismissal Times:

Classes end at 3:15pm daily-we therefore ask parents to be patient as pupils cannot be ready for collection at that time as well-so between 3:20 & 3:30 pupils will be out. Thank you

### Correct School Uniform:



Yr. 1-6 Boys  
Full Uniform



Yr. 1-6 Girls  
Official Uniform



EYFS Boys & Girls  
PE Kit For All Pupils

### Our Black History Month Focus For 2023:

#### YOUNG, GIFTED AND GREAT!



#### WE WILL ASPIRE TO EMULATE!

Our children will be exploring a diverse range of Young, Gifted & Great Thinkers, Innovators, Chefs Inventors, Athletes, Authors, Actors, Musicians, Dancers, Directors, Programmers and Influencers.

### Breakfast Club & MAE

**BREAKFAST CLUB** runs : Monday to Friday from 8:00-8:45am each morning at £2.50 daily for any child from Reception to Year 5. **All Pupils must enter via the KS2 Entrance Gate each day.** **MAE** – is our wrap around child care service available to children from Reception to Yr. 6 daily from 3:30-6pm @ £6 per hour. Parents needing this service **MUST register with the main office via [info@st-antony-jun.newham.sch.uk](mailto:info@st-antony-jun.newham.sch.uk) or call 02085523670 between 10am and 2pm.** Returning pupils already on the register must all be fully paid up.

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