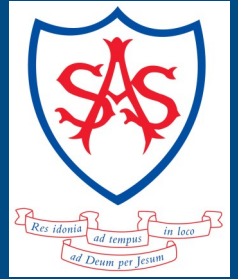


St Antony's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter

16th January 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back and Happy New Year 2026 to our families and local community!

We hope you all had a restful and enjoyable break and that the children are feeling refreshed and ready for the new term ahead. It has been wonderful to welcome everyone back into school and see the children settling back into routines with enthusiasm and smiles.

As we begin this new term together, we take a moment to reflect and give thanks:

Dear God,

Thank you for bringing us safely back together as a school family.

Bless our children as they learn and grow,

our staff as they guide and support,

and our families as they walk alongside us.

May this term be filled with kindness, curiosity, and joy.

Amen.

Reading at Home – A Very Important Reminder:

Reading remains a key focus in school. Regular reading at home plays a vital role in building confidence, fluency, and a love of books.

Please remember:

- Children should read a book every day when they come home.
- Re-reading the same book helps children build fluency and understanding.
- Talking about the story and praising your child's effort makes a huge difference.

Please ensure books are brought back to school every day so they can be changed when needed.

Your support at home has a powerful impact on your child's progress, and we are very grateful for your continued partnership.

Thank you for your ongoing support. We are looking forward to a positive and successful term ahead.

Warm regards,

Mrs Demirdjian - EYFS Phase leader and Reading lead



"God is at the heart of our school. With the help of our community we will strive to learn, love and achieve"

Congratulations to year 5SM with an attendance of 99%



The Gospel John 1: 29-34

Seeing Jesus coming towards him, John said, "Look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. This is the one I spoke of when I said, 'A man is coming after me who ranks before me because he existed before me.' I did not know him myself, and yet it was to reveal him to Israel that I came baptising with water." John also declared, "I saw the Spirit coming down on him from heaven

like a dove and resting on him. I did not know him myself, but he who sent me to baptise with water had said to me, 'The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the one who is going to baptise with the Holy Spirit.' Yes, I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One of God."

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Weds 21st Jan - 3M Class Assembly 2.40pm

Thurs 22nd Jan- Height & Weight

Measurement Programme - Rec & Year 6

Weds 28th Jan - 3D Class Assembly 2.40pm

Weds 4th Feb - 2HB Class Assembly 2.40pm

Thurs 5th Feb - Yr2/3/4 Tennis Festival

Redbridge Sports Centre



Victoria

Matilda

Arthur

Zeph

Aidan

Alonzo

Finn

Elianna

Bridie

Nathanael

Frank

Ava

Zainab

Phoebe

Mattia

Ethan

Valentina

Reeva

Liam

Harry

Nia

ATTENDANCE

School attendance is vital to attainment and progress. Any absences attached to a school holiday will not be authorised and may result in a fine unless there are exceptional circumstances as outlined in our absence policy.

A leave of absence form (pink/yellow form) must be completed together with evidence attached in advance of any absence whether authorised or unauthorised i.e. holiday/medical/exams etc.

PLEASE ENSURE CHILDREN'S PACKED LUNCHES DO NOT INCLUDE ANY NUTS OR EGGS AS WE ARE A NUT AND EGG FREE SCHOOL.

Safeguarding



Designated Safeguarding Lead:

Ms Debernardis

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead:

Ms Hale-Brown/Mrs Odunsi