

St Antony's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter

19th December 2025



Dear Parents, carers, staff and children,

As we reach the end of another busy and successful term, I would like to take a moment to reflect on everything our school community has achieved together, it has not always been an easy road and I am sure there will be plenty more challenges ahead, but what I do know is that together we can be successful in anything we put our minds to. That is the nature of St Antony's.

To our children, we are incredibly proud of the hard work, kindness and resilience you have shown this term. Whether you were trying something new, supporting a friend or pushing yourself to do your best, you have demonstrated the values that make St Antony's such a special place. Personally, I particularly enjoyed the fantastic Nativity performances and the carol concert. You all showed great talent but also resilience and commitment. Now it is time to rest, so I hope you enjoy a well deserved break – you have earned it!

To our parents and carers, thank you for your continued support, encouragement and partnership. Your involvement – whether through helping with homework, attending events or simply those big smiles I get at the gate each morning – makes a tremendous difference. We truly value the trust you place on us every day.

To staff, you have made it! This term has been full of learning, creativity and growth and none of it would be possible without you. I am grateful for your commitment to creating a safe, caring and inspiring environment for every one of our children.

And last but not least, a huge thank you to the Friends Of St Antony's (FOSA) who treated all children and staff to a wonderful pantomime performance. This was very much enjoyed by children and adults alike.

As we head into this magical and very special time of the year, I wish all our families a restful, joyful and refreshing break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in January, ready for new opportunities, challenges and achievements.

May the joy of the Angels,

The eagerness of the shepherds,

The perseverance of the Wise Men

And the peace of the Christ child

Be with you this Christmas and always

Ms Debernardis

Acting Headteacher



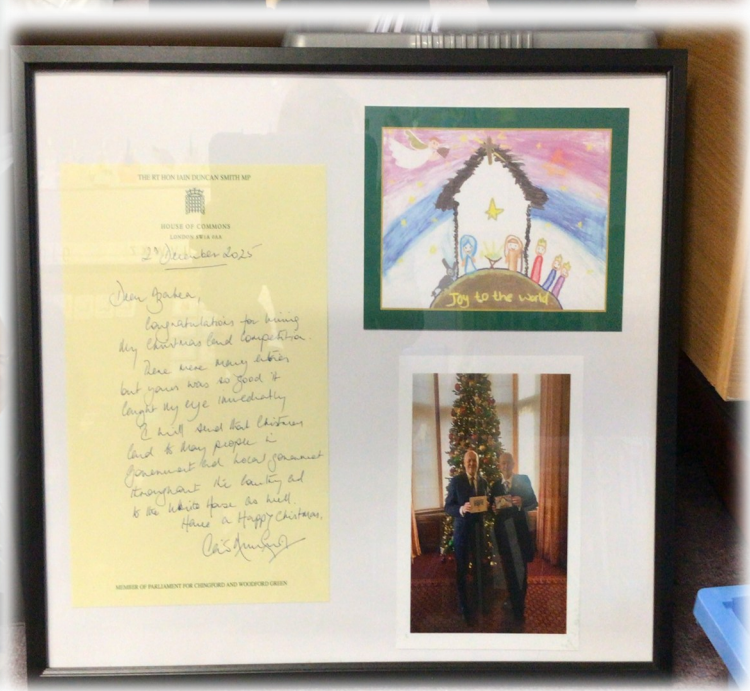
“God is at the heart of our school. With the help of our community we will strive to learn, love and achieve”

Congratulations to year 3D with an attendance of 98.7%





Congratulations to Azalea who won the Iain Duncan Smith Christmas card competition. Iain Duncan Smith paid her a visit to personally deliver Azalea her gifts! The children learnt about the Houses of Parliament.





The Gospel Matthew 1: 18-24



This is how Jesus Christ came to be born. His mother Mary was engaged to a man called Joseph; but before they could be married she became pregnant by the power of the Holy Spirit. Joseph was a good man and did not want to embarrass Mary so he made plans to break the engagement privately. But the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be

afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because it is by the power of the Holy Spirit that she is going to have a son. You must name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." When Joseph woke up, he did as the angel of the Lord had told him to do and took Mary into his home as his wife.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Weds 7th January - Back to School

**Fri 9th Jan - Open Day for Prospective Reception
9am**



Riyad	Lois	Kamari
Christopher	Lewis	Connor
Isabelle	Oscar	Esme
Noa	Frank	Jayden
Harry	Pepe	Chiamara
Charlotte	Stephen	
Oliver	Ataliah	

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

