



St. Anthony's Girls' Catholic Academy

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Parent Weekly Newsletter Friday 18th March 2022

Theme of the week

Week beginning 21st March — Lent - repent

Foodbank week beginning 21st March week

St. Joan of Arc & Bl. Thomas Percy

Foodbank week beginning 28th March week

St. Margaret Clitherow & St. Anne Line

Prayer

O Lord,

I do not struggle as much with forgiving others
as I do with forgiving myself.

No matter how many times I stumble,

You are always quick to pardon me.

Yet, I am my own worst critic.

Help me to extend love to myself as I do to
others.

Amen.

CAFOD Lent Campaign

We continue to collect any spare change in school for CAFOD's Lent campaign. CAFOD is also working with its' sister organisation Caritas Ukraine, in neighbouring countries, who are already helping people affected by the conflict in Ukraine. More information can be found at:

<https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news/Ukraine-crisis>

There will be further information next week about other fundraising events in school.



Early School Closure Wednesday 23 March 2022

We are going to trial an earlier finish to the school day on Wednesday 23rd March 2022 with the majority of our students leaving the school site at 2.20pm. More information on our website at this link

[Y8 Parent's Evening – Early School Closure](#)

Safeguarding

This week in school staff re-visited training to support our zero tolerance approach regarding any form of sexual abuse or harassment. Students can speak to any adult in school if they have a concern and please be assured they will be listened to and taken seriously. We recognise this is a difficult topic and sometimes students find it hard to report sexual abuse or harassment. We will be speaking to our students in assembly next week to reassure them and explain the different ways they can share any worries. Parents and carers can find guidance and support here <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/what-is-child-abuse/types-of-abuse/child-sexual-abuse/>



The Sunderland Young People's
Anti Bullying
Charter Mark

Registered in England No. 7968898.



Respect and Routines

Internal exclusion: On Monday we will open The Emmaus Room, a specialist room where we can work with students who may have been excluded from class and who need additional support with their behaviour. This will replace the area which was known as the RIU.

Maximising the learning: In order to maximise learning time in the classroom, we will be reminding students that they must be punctual for school and for their lessons and that they are not permitted to leave a classroom unless they have permission from their class teacher; any student leaving a lesson must have their planner with them with the written permission from their teacher.

Year 8 Virtual Parents' Evening: Wednesday 23rd March

A reminder that it is our Year 8 Virtual Parent's Evening on Wednesday, from 3pm-6.30pm. Parents/carers have been emailed information on how to sign up and book appointments online. The booking system closes on Monday 21st March at 9am. If you have any issues please contact schoolcloud@st-anthonys-academy.com.

Year 11 Examination information Night: Monday 4th April 5:00 – 6:00 p.m

We are holding an information evening for all parents and carers of year 11 pupils. The evening will cover 3 themes: revision; health and well-being and information on entry into the sixth form. Light refreshments will be available in Martha's kitchen before the start at 5:00 p.m.

Year 11 Prom update

On Wednesday 23rd March students will have information regarding the upcoming Year 11 Prom including a letter for parents/carers and ParentPay details.

Admissions policies

Our new admissions policies for the year 2023-24 for main school and sixth form are now available on our website.

[Main School Admissions Policy 2023-24](#)

[Sixth Form Admissions Policy 2023-24](#)

Year 10 Update

Whilst Mrs Frame is on maternity leave, Miss Simpson will be interim Year Leader (Ast Director KS4). If you have any concerns or would like any support regarding your child please ring school or email For the Attention Of Miss Simpson on: enquiries@st-anthonys-academy.com

Duke of Edinburgh's Award



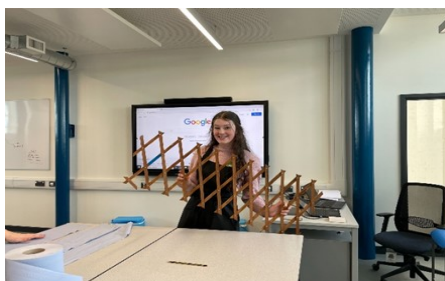
St Anthony's has had a long tradition of completing the Duke of Edinburgh's Award and this year is no exception. We have a bumper number of Year 9s with 75 students completing their **Bronze Award** this year. They are currently planning their routes for the summer expeditions and we will release the dates for those expeditions soon. Meanwhile, they have been completing the other sections of the award, including designing their own bracelets, competing in netball, volunteering with the food bank within school and much more. We also have students in Year 11 and 12 completing their **Silver Award**. Our first expedition of the season will be with some of those students in early April. Lastly, we have a small group of determined Year 13s completing their **Gold Award**.

These awards help young people build life-long belief in themselves, supporting them to take on their own challenges and discover talents they never know they had. If any Year 10 students would like to complete the Duke of Edinburgh's Award, we have partnered with the Lambton Street Youth Centre to offer it to them. Please e-mail Mrs Almond if you are interested.

World Class schools



St Anthony's is re-accrediting to be a World Class School once again this year. Six Year 10 students travelled to Rugby on Wednesday to represent the school and take part in an assessment day. They had to design and produce a hanging mosaic to be displayed in a sensory garden in the grounds of Houlton School in Rugby. The students were highly commended on their efforts and professionalism throughout the day, and had a brilliant time! Well done to Erin Brown, Grace



International links

The MFL Department are really looking forward to celebrating Journée Internationale de la Francophonie on Tuesday, a day where we celebrate French being spoken across the world.

Celebrating Good work in Design and Technology

Year 7 and 8 have been busy making desktop toys this week.

