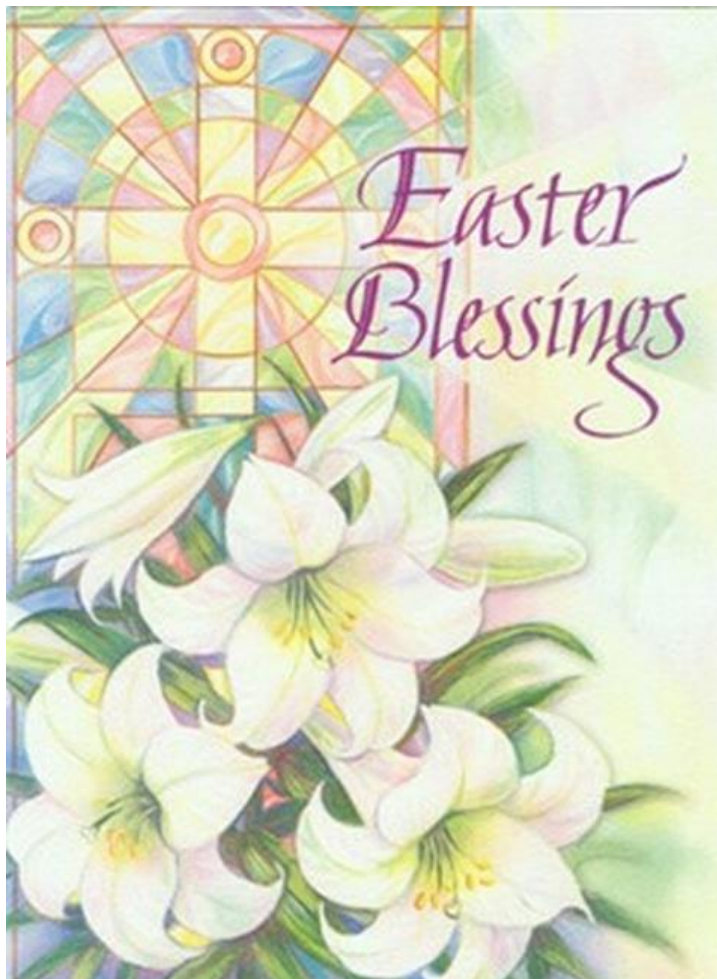


**Parent newsletter**  
**Friday 8 April 2022**



**Chaplaincy Team - Prayer**

As we approach Holy Week we pray,

Jesus, you know what it's like  
to feel abandoned  
lost and afraid.

Walk with us

And show us how to walk with others,  
who live in fear,  
who face death  
through hunger or war.

Show us how to pray  
for those we do not know  
and will not meet,  
but who are always loved by you.

Walk with us Jesus,

Amen.

### **Theme of the week**

Theme of the after half term week = Seeing is believing

Foodbank week beginning 25 April:

St. Teresa of Avila

Bl. Thomas Percy

Foodbank week beginning 2 May:

St. Teresa of Avila

St. Angela Merici



### **CAFOD Lent Campaign**

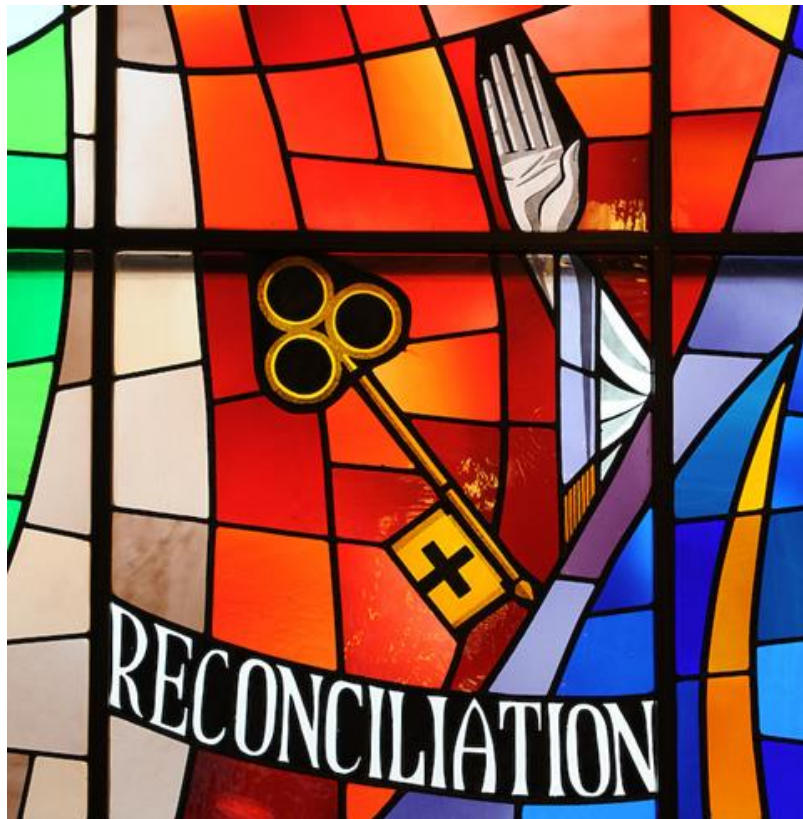
As of Tuesday 22 March, we have Thank you for all your support with the CAFOD campaign. We will announce our final total after the Easter break.

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

A huge thank you to Fr. Christopher, Fr. Emmanuel and Fr. Philip for coming to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation with us this week!

Our 'Mercy Bus' proved popular with students, with around 80 celebrating the Sacrament over the course of

this week.



## RSHE

Relationships, Sex and Health Education became statutory in all secondary schools in England. This new subject builds on the non-statutory lessons we have previously taught in RSE.

In the past academic year, we have been trialling resources from an external agency called Ten Ten, their programme theme is **Life to the Full**. Ten Ten is an award-winning Catholic educational organisation that is well-respected and very experienced in this field of work.

Ten Ten have provided an online **Parent Consultation Tool**. This is a simple-to-follow, short online course which:

- Outlines the statutory changes that will take place.
- Articulates a vision for Catholic Relationships and Health Education.
- Explains how Life to the Full aims to help us fulfil the statutory curriculum with a Catholic ethos.
- Provides some information about key decisions we need to make, in consultation with parents.
- Answers some Frequently Asked Questions.

Ten Ten have also provided an **Online Parent Portal** which will be a tool we can use throughout the year to

keep you informed and updated about the work we are doing in school.

Further further information, including how to take parent the consultation and to access the Withdrawal From please see our [website](#).

If you have any additional comments or questions that are not addressed by the consultation tool or the survey please email Mrs Hoey (RSE/PSHE Coordinator) [helen.hoey@st-anthonys-academy.com](mailto:helen.hoey@st-anthonys-academy.com)



We have raised a lot of money today to support those affected by the terrible events occurring in Ukraine. Our thoughts are with all those children and families who are affected and displaced. Thank you to all our students who made a big effort to help us raise as much money as possible and show their support for this very important cause.



## Y11 Parents' Information Evening

It was a pleasure to see so many of our Y11 parents, carers and students face to face on Monday evening to share information on effective revision techniques; how to deal with exam stress and entry into our sixth form.

If you were unable to attend the evening, information on revision techniques and dealing with exam stress can be found on the Parents' section of our website and by clicking on the links below.

[Helping your child revise](#)

[Revision strategies that work](#)

[Supporting your child's mental health](#)

Information about the sixth form can be found on St. Anthony's and St. Aidan's Catholic sixth form website.

[aaasixthform.com](http://aaasixthform.com)

## Year 12 parent evening

We are hoping to hold a parent evening for Year 12 next term and currently have a proposed date of 27 May in Gabriel House. Further information will follow.

# Year 12 Parent Information Evening



## Enrichment and extra-curricular programme - Summer 2022

A wide variety of enrichment activities are available for your child this summer term, to enable them to develop their skills, talents and character. We would like as many of our pupils as possible to pursue their interests and make the most of these opportunities. A link to the programme of activities can be found below.

[Enrichment and extra-curricular programme – Summer 2022](#)



## PE and Sport

Well done the Year 9 Netball Team who are now double champions after winning the City of Sunderland Netball

League last night. This success comes a month after winning the City of the Sunderland tournament. An excellent achievement - well done girls!

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Imogen Blyth (Year 8): Grade 2 Singing  
Louise Callan (Year 12): Grade 6 Flute  
Grace Downey (Year 10): Grade 3 Singing  
Georgina Jaconelli (Year 10): Grade 4 Singing  
Niamh Kelly (Year 9): Grade 3 Singing  
Jennifer O'Hara (Year 8): Grade 2 Singing  
Imogen Parkin (Year 9): Grade 3 Singing  
Layla Purdy (Year 10): Grade 3 Singing  
Isabella Ramshaw (Year 9): Grade 3 Singing  
Lucy Rogers (Year 9): Grade 4 Singing  
Olivia Rose (Year 9): Grade 4 Singing  
Henrietta Walker (Year 9): Grade 5 Flute  
Lucy Wall (Year 10): Grade 4 Singing



## **Glass Centre DesignLab Workshop**

The Academy has been selected to work with some designers on a sustainability design challenge. The first workshop was this Monday I have added some photos of pupils in the above folder . The second workshop is a trip to the V & A Museum London.

What a fabulous experience to start the week. Young designers worked with experienced artists and designers at the National Glass Centre. Pupils were encouraged to



explore sustainability and recycling materials. Two workshops involved glass etching and clay pot throwing.



### **Catenian Schools Public Speaking Contest**

On Sunday 3 April, Connie Longbottom (Y8) and Charlie Brook (Y11) represented St. Anthony's at the Catenian Schools Public Speaking Contest at Trinity Catholic College in Teeside with Mrs. King and their parents.

The contest was open to all schools in Province Five, which includes all schools in the Diocese of Newcastle and Hexham. Students were awarded marks for the content of their speech, the delivery, and the ability to engage their audience. They also had to produce their speech within strict time limits and had the added pressure of a traffic light system to track their timing!

Connie's speech delved into mental health in young people and how schools and communities could provide better support. She performed an emotive speech confidently in a very competitive key stage three category. Charlie's speech explored problematic representations of love in the media and how these influence and shape young people's behaviours and expectations. Charlie came in second for the key stage four category for her original and thought-provoking speech and received a certificate and a cash prize.

Well done to both students; they were outstanding representatives for our school!

## Finance Apprenticeship

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Finally...

We would like to take this opportunity to wish our students, parents, carers and staff a wonderful, restful and Holy Easter.

We look forward to seeing you back in school on Monday 25 April.



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