

St. AMOS GEZOGO

Free Prae Road, Chertsey, Surrey KT16 8ET Headteacher: Mrs L M Harris

End of Term March 2024

Dear Parents.

Wow! What term! It has been a short one but extremely busy!

This week alone we have had Mrs Murphy's wonderful Thanksgiving Mass, at Salesian College. The children sat for a good while. Their singing, actions and how some spoke was wonderful. Mrs Murphy and her guests were blown away.

We then had our drama group performance in the evening which was fantastic. The children performed with such confidence and should be so proud of their efforts.

Yesterday, Year 4 performed their Easter assembly at the Church which was so lovely. They shared with the parents how busy they have been this year and captured the Easter story in such a beautiful poem accompanied by song.

Wednesday, our winners of our science fair went to share their projects and see other schools present theirs. They had a great time and represented our school brilliantly.

We have so much to be thankful for at St Anne's and our children do us so proud day in and day out. As I have said before we couldn't do it without the amazing staff team that we have but also with out your continued support - it doesn't go unnoticed.

Finally, I have superb news...we're getting our hall back! All being well we will be back in the hall for assemblies, PE, and lunches after Easter. We can't wait! And we can't wait for you to see the result of months of hard work. We are very blessed to have had over the years money to help fund some of the fixtures and fittings but it would not have happened without being part of a great Trust. Xavier do so much behind the scenes and they deserve a huge thank you from our community for this excellent new resource. We now have so much potential to offer our children more.

We say a fond farewell.....





I can't believe I am writing this. I have been in denial. It has not yet sunk in that my friend and partner is not going to be with us next term. St Anne's is not going to be the same without her but as I have said on a number of occasions recently each child and staff member are better because Mrs Murphy has been in our lives.

The theme of Mrs Murphy's Mass was **Thanksgiving**. We were saying thank you to Our Lord for Mrs Murphy. For sending her to St Anne's. There are some specific things I think we should thank her for...

- *her outstanding lessons that engaged and enthused each learner
- *for working with teachers and support staff to improve learning in every classroom
- *for hosting homework club when no one else could
- *for launching events like Grandparents Day, Cultures Week, Phonics Morning, 80 days Around the World, Carol's Around the Crib
- *for bringing our values to life and letting the children give them names and character
- *for giving children a voice when she started the voice of the children group
- *for listening to children and staff and always looking for ways to help
- *for the laughter and silliness
- *for the sing-alongs and dance offs
- *for being our headteacher, in particular during Covid.
- *for inspiring training days including those where staff well-being was at the core
- *for always striving to make St Anne's the best school around
- *for listening to feedback and instantly actioning improvements
- *for sharing and assisting other schools and colleagues

- *for sharing God's word in her weekly liturgies and ensuring we have a mission to live out
- *for living out our mission and proving it truly isn't enough to love children, they must know that they are loved. Mrs Murphy has shown us we're all loved!

The list is endless and I know each person has their own reason to say thank you to God for Mrs Murphy.

St Anne's is going to miss her terribly but her spirit will live on - we've already got her a brick in the new hall.

But we must all change and grow and another message in Mass this week was that God is with us every step of the way. We can be bold and strong because he is with us. He is our lighthouse guiding our way. And Mrs Murphy has that love and guidance as she takes her next step.



I do believe we need to share the wonderful teacher and leader Mrs Murphy is with others. We're obviously very sad to see her leave but we're also very proud and pleased she is answering God's call by saying 'Here I am' and taking her God given talents to St Ignatius, who are very lucky to have her.

We know there will be ups and downs but one thing everyone at St Anne's knows is she is the best headteacher they could wish for.



Farewell Mrs Murphy, stay in touch and all the very best.

St. George's College Mass

Thursday, 14th March

Over the last eight weeks, the Reception children have enjoyed a weekly visit from the **Upper Sixth Form** students at **St George's College** in Weybridge. The sessions have centred around our RE Topic, **'Desert to Garden'**, and the children have enjoyed taking part in singing, games and crafts.

On the final session, all of our Reception children enjoyed a coach ride to St George's College, where they were met by the students and led to Mass. The Mass included lots of lovely songs and readings and our children all performed their version of 'Our God is a Great Big God'. They sung beautifully and really did us proud!



World Picnic Day - Year 2

As part of our "Food
Journeys" topic in Geography,
we held a "world
picnic" afternoon on Wednesday,
20th March. We asked each child
to bring in one small food item
from any country to share with
their friends.



We had lots of lovely homemade dishes with food from different countries for the children to try. We talked about the different foods brought in and how they originate from these countries, e.g. apple pie is traditionally British as the mild weather in England means lots of apple trees grow.

The children shared interesting facts about the food they brought in or why it originates/is traditional in their country.





Science Fair

On **Tuesday, 5th** & **Wednesday 6th March** we held our annual Science Fair it was a great success, The quality of presentations was excellent and the budding scientists were happy & eager to explain their experiments, which made judging them extremely difficult.

Our Winners

Day 1:

1st place - Jack (Y3) 2nd place - Halle (Y1)

Day 2:

1st place - Eriks (Y5)

2nd place - Cathy & Matilda (Y6)











This year, in addition to presenting at our school Science Fair, some projects from KS2 were chosen to take part in the Xavier Science Fair Grand Final on Wednesday, 27th March.

Joining our KS2 winners at the event were **Cathy**, **Matilda**, **Alissia**, **Isa**, **Eleanor**, **Jeremiah** and **Krizia**

Well done to everyone that entered and I can't wait to see what you produce next year! Miss Taylor - Science Lead





The new **Spring/Summer** menu will start after the Easter holidays (**Monday, 15th April 2024**). The menu is now available to view on the school website and SCOPAY.

Ordering in advance allows the kitchen to appropriately order food required for each option. It also means that the Learning Support Assistants in your child's class can spend more time in class supporting learning. Most importantly it allows you and your child to decide on the best meal for them each day.

We ask for meal choices to be selected at least one week in advance.

PFA Easter Egg Hunt



The children will be taking part in a quiz/clue hunt within their class or year group. Once they have successfully completed the hunt they will be rewarded with a chocolate egg.

Payment is £3 please send money in a named sealed envelope on the day.

If you are able to help at any events please email:

stannespfa@stannes-chertsey.surrey.sch.uk



To celebrate St. George's Day children can wear their Scout/Cubs/Beaver/Rainbows/Brownies/Guides Uniform.

Walking Instructors Wanted

Surrey CC is looking to recruit **Feet First Walking Instructors** to join their Safer Travel Team.
Please follow the link to find out more.
https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/jobs/search/details?
id=563

Penalty Notices for Unauthorised Absence

Reminder - if you take your children out of school without authority for 5 or more days (which do not have to be consecutive), they will be liable to receive a penalty notice.

Currently the amount payable under a penalty notice is £60.00 per parent/carer per child if paid within 21 days. Thereafter the amount increases to £120.00 if paid between 21 and 28 days. If the penalty notice remains unpaid after 28 days, the Local Authority will consider a prosecution in the Magistrates Court.

Lent Appeal

This Lent, we have been raising money for CAFOD and Catholic Children's

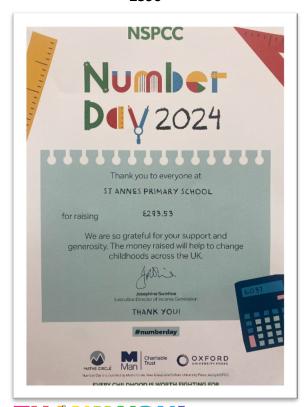




Society. This year's appeal is inspired by Pope Francis' call for young people to

use their voice to make a difference in the world. Every penny raised by your school will support our work with local disadvantaged children and families.

Our Fundraising Total £390





SCHOOL CLOSURE DATES Term Ends



Thursday, 28th March KS1 - 12:05pm KS2 - 12:15pm

Summer Term Commences

Monday, 15th April

Registration 8:45am - 9:00am

SATs

Key Stage 2 SAT's take place during the week commencing:

11th MAY 2024

Please do not book holidays during the school year as leave will NOT BE AUTHORISED AND YOU MAY BE PENALISED.

Dear Lord,

May Christ be at the centre of all we do.

With your help, fill our school with laughter and learning.

With your guidance, help us listen and respect each other, no matter our differences.

With your love, encourage us to be kind and gentle.

With your light, shine on our school family, so we can be a light for others.

We are all part of St Anne's community and we know that we are loved.



Amen



Please click on the link below, to find the latest Parish Newsletter

St. Anne's Parish Newsletter

April 2024

Important information:
Summer Term Curriculum info to parents

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	Back to school Year 4 Bikeability Level 1 9.30am – 12 noon	16	17	18	19	20
21	Pentecost topic begins 5E Assembly	23 St Georges Day 1L Assembly EYFS & Y6 Composite Photographs - am	24	25	26	27
28	29 5F Assembly	30 1B Assembly				

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a wonderful relaxed holiday, and the joy and happiness of the Easter Season. Thank you all, once again, for your support and co-operation.

Yours sincerely

Harris.

Mrs L M Harris Headteacher





Easter Lunch Project



FREE PACKED LUNCH

Available to all children, regardless of circumstances

GOOD FRIDAY-29th March

Lunches only available at St Paul's Church

Tuesday 2nd April to Friday 5th April Monday 8th to Friday 12th April 12 noon to 12.45pm

From any of our collection points at

St Paul's Church



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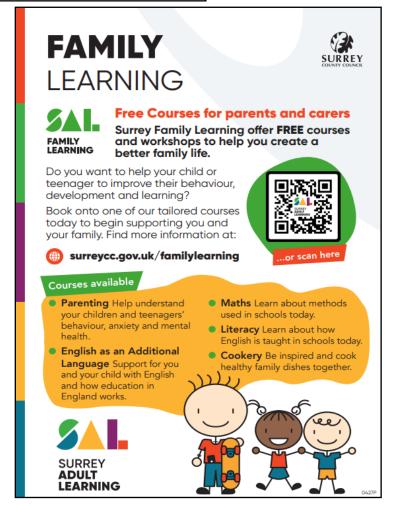
Addlestone

(Next to Timpsons)

Longden Avenue Off Strawberry Fields

Contact us at hebrews@stpaulscofe.org or on 07743 243008 with any queries







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Are you 7 to 16 years old? Do you live, or go to school in, Runnymede? You can enjoy up to eight weeks of free coaching in eight sports or activities as part of the Surrey Youth Games!

All sessions are run by qualified coaches and are a safe and fun way to try activities, get fit and meet new friends. By taking part you'll be invited to represent Runnymede at our sports festival on 15 June 2024 in Guildford.

Register at: www.runnymede.gov.uk/SYG









Street Basketball with Runnymede Raptors

School Years 7-8 Starts Monday 15 April, 5:30 - 6:30pm Gogmore Farm Park, Curfew Bell Road, Chertsey, KT16 9FG

Run-Row-Bike with Achieve Lifestyle - Egham

Run-Row-Bike with Acheive Lifestyle - Addlestone

Tennis with Total Tennis

School Year 3

Starts Thursday 18 April, 5:00 - 6:00pm Guildford Street, Chertsey, KT16 9BW

Girls Touch Rugby with Chobham Rugby Club

Starts Friday 19 April, 5:00 - 6:30pm Fowlers Wells, Windsor Road, Chobham, GU24 8LD

Boccia with Para Sports Club at Spelthorne Leisure Centre

Starts Saturday 20 April, 10:30 - 11:45am Knowle Green, Staines-upon-Thames, TW18 1AJ

Age 8-12 years old Starts Saturday 20 April, 3:30 - 4:30pm

Swimming - Riverbourne Health Club

Session 1 4:00 - 4:30pm , Session 2 4:30 - 5:00pm Heriot Road, Town Centre, Chertsey, KT16 9DR

Any questions please email sport@runnymede.gov.uk or call 01932 425677

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