

## Weekly Newsletter

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2026

St Anthony's Catholic Primary School



### Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another wonderful week has come to an end at St Anthony's, and there is so much to celebrate! Attendance across the school continues to improve and is currently at an impressive 96% – well done everyone. A special congratulations goes to Integrity Class, who achieved an outstanding 100% attendance last week. Fantastic commitment! With just 15 school days left until half-term, let's keep pushing on- every day in school really does count. Come on, we can do it!

We were incredibly grateful to welcome a local resident who works for Usborne Publishers, who very kindly donated a range of high-quality texts for our nursery and school. We are extremely thankful for her generosity and support of our children's love of reading.

We are also privileged to have Councillor Simon Jeal working with our Year 5 pupils, delivering engaging and inspiring drama sessions. The children have thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

It was also wonderful to see such a fantastic turnout from our Reception families at the Early Learning Goal parent meeting. Thank you for taking the time to attend and for your continued support.

As always, let us continue to work together so that every child at St Anthony's can thrive and succeed.

A reminder to please complete the Parent and Carer Questionnaire [HERE](#) (Deadline is today!).

Your voice truly matters to us as we continue our journey to making St Anthony's the very best place for every child. Thank you for your ongoing support. Have a wonderful weekend!

Warm regards,

Ms Gayle

### **Year 5 Artwork**

It is always wonderful to see the children's creativity being nurtured in art lessons. Year 5 have been exploring the work of Julian Opie.



### **Drama Club**

We are very grateful to the Beckenham Parochial Charity for supporting a fabulous opportunity for our Year 5 pupils to engage in drama lessons with Councillor Simon Jeal. The benefits of drama include developing pupils' confidence, self-esteem and communication skills- and, of course, having lots of fun!



### **Taekwondo**

It's fantastic to see so many pupils signed up for Taekwondo lessons! Enrichment activities like this are a valuable investment in your child's future. Taekwondo helps pupils build strength, develop resilience, and learn the importance of teamwork.



### **Dates for the Diary**

Y2 Mass at St Anthony's Church- Thurs 29<sup>th</sup> Jan

Every Wednesday- CALAT- Qualification in Employability

Children's Mental Health Week- From Mon 9<sup>th</sup> Feb

PTA Coffee Morning- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> Feb

Safer Internet Day- Tues 10<sup>th</sup> Feb

Y1 Mass at St Anthony's Church- Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Feb

Break up- Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Feb

Mon 16<sup>th</sup> and Tues 17<sup>th</sup>- Parent's Evening