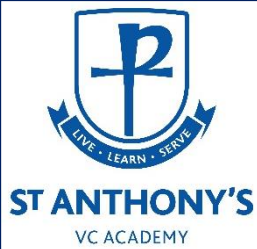


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St Anthony's VC Academy Newsletter



Message from Mrs Eley:

Hello everyone, I hope you are all well and are managing to stay safe & healthy! Week 4 has been another very successful week full of remote learning and in-school provision. Thank you, as always, for all the fantastic support making this way of learning possible. Over the last two weeks we have used more 'google meet' sessions with the children which has proved a huge success and has boosted the number of children sending work in to school. It has been an utter delight to see the children's smiley, happy faces as they are so pleased to see each other. As I am sure you will have seen in the media schools will not be returning straight after half term. The earliest possible date will now be Monday 8th March, but this may change. As soon as we have any further information, I will send you the plan for St Anthony's but for now keep up the hard work and stay safe.



Free Google Classroom Webinar for Parents

Join our FREE webinar all about Google Classroom on **Tuesday 2nd February at 6pm!** This event will help to show you how to support your child with Google Classroom including how to view and submit work



Use the link to join or scan the QR code:

<https://www.primaryteach.co.uk/parents-guide-to-google-classroom/>



'If you feel anxious, angry, sad or worried then take a mindful minute to focus on your senses'.

Create a bookmark with these 5 mindful tasks:

- Name 5 things you can see
- Name 4 things you can hear
- Name 3 things you can feel
- Name 2 things you can smell
- Name 1 thing you can taste



Starting Monday, can you write down 1 or 2 things that have made you smile every day for 1 week.



#STA Sparkle

Our sparkle children this week are:

- Y6 – **Jake** – great recording of talk for writing story
- Y5 – **Bailey** – excellent effort in his writing
- Y4 – **Max** – trying his best and a pleasure to have around
- Y3 – **Kacper** – great prediction work in reading
- Y2 – **Maya** – for independence when using a Chromebook
- Y1 – **Frankie** - for his excellent writing and online learning
- FS – **Mia** – Outstanding effort in her home learning

Outdoor/Indoor Activity of the week!

Outdoor: Think back to your walk on Monday. Try to draw a map of your local area. Once you've drawn one go outside and add to it. Put all your favourite local places on your map.



Indoor: Create an indoor treasure hunt using clues and ask another member of the family to follow the clues to find the treasure. What will your treasure be?



Staff Testing You may have seen in the media that from week primary schools will be provided with testing kits for staff to carry out lateral flow self-tests (LFDs) at home before they come into work. This testing will potentially mean we will have more staff self-isolating, if they test positive, and this will undoubtedly have a knock-on effect for keeping key worker bubbles open. We will do our best to keep bubbles open by using the second member of staff for that bubble wherever possible; it is important, though, that parents are aware of the probability of bubble closures following the start of this programme.

! Home Learning packs must be collected from 9am every Monday morning and completed packs from the week before should be dropped off in the correct box outside the school office. !