

# NEWSLETTER

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#### **Thursday 10th September 2020**

Congratulations to all the Reception children for completing their first few days at school. It was so lovely to see them coming into school and becoming a part of our school community. The Year 1's in St Anthony did a great job of supporting and encouraging them in class and on the playground.

School has a real buzz about the place with all our classes back in their 'bubbles'







#### Covid 19 Information—Important!

Your child should not come into school if they are unwell or showing any signs or symptoms of a new persistent cough, temperature and or loss of taste or smell. Please call school and let us know using the usual procedures. You then be advised to call 119 to arrange a test. If we see these at the start of the school day or they develop during the course of the day your child will be sent home. Your child will then need to have a Covid-19 test.

#### **Weekly Message from Pope Francis**

'May each family rediscover family prayer, which helps to bring about forgiveness.'

Please take a moment to follow the Wednesday word link below...

http://www.wednesdayword.org/Forthcoming-

### **In Class Next Week**

**St Anthony** 

Writing: character descriptions

Maths: place value

Re: Creation

Congratulations to our wonderful new receptions on their first week at school, they have done so well! And thank you to the St Anthony year 1s for being super helpers!

#### St Aldhelm

Writing - writing about schools in the past and comparing them to school life now.

Maths - place Value- comparing and ordering numbers and objects to 10 and 100.

RE- recognising that Bible stories are used in Mass

#### St Lawrence

This week will be starting our new topic 'Predator', we're looking forward to learning about different types of predators, food chains and much more!

English - Features of recounts

Maths - Assessment, number lines to 1000/10000.

R.E: Creation and research about our class saint.

#### St Francis

This week we begin our topic 'Road Trip USA' Looking at the geography of the Country.

English - Using Non-Fiction texts to find information Maths—Continuing to round numbers to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000 and looking at values beyond 1000.

RE- Creation and St Francis de Salle.

#### St Scholastica

English—Letter writng in WW2

Maths—Addition, subtraction and using the inverse operation

RE—St Scholastica will be researching the real St Scholastica who we are named after.

#### Filming or our Open Day Virtual Tour

We are very excited to be welcoming a film crew to school next Thursday 17th September. Their brief is to create a beautiful film of our school for our website that captures all that we do. During these Covid times, this virtual Open Day will be in place of our usual school visits for prospective parents. The film will also act as a wonderful visual for our website for some years to come.

If you **DO NOT WISH YOUR CHILD TO BE INCLUDED IN THIS PROJECT. PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE**. We will also send out a surveymonkey link to capture 100% permissions. Many thanks

#### Flu Immunisations. Reception to Year 6

As you are aware the plan this year is for the biggest flu campaign ever delivered. If you haven't already, please do follow the link previously shared to complete consent for your child to receive this vaccine at their school session. Clearly we are unable to offer all children vaccines in the early part of the season and will have schools booked up to mid-December. Alongside this we will offer community clinics throughout the season for if you child misses their vaccine at school. Some children are more at risk from Flu and for these medically vulnerable children we would like to offer early clinics to ensure they are protected at the earliest opportunity. If you believe your child fits into this category please contact our Single Point of Access (SPA) on 0300 247 0082 to book into a clinic that is convenient to you.

Kind regards

Immunisation Team"
School Age Immunisations Team
Virgin Care Services Limited

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## IMPORTANT INTERNET AND ONLINE SAFETY



It has been brought to our attention that there are number of social media posts warning parents about a graphic and distressing video that has been circulating on the TikTok app, Instagram and Facebook.

On some of the social media sites it plays automatically on the 'for you' stream and people are sharing it.

We would to remind parents that material on social media sites is not always appropriate and urge you to check you children's devices.

Please ensure that you speak to them regularly about what they should do if they come across inappropriate content or videos that worry or scare them.

Despite the age restriction for platforms meaning that children under the age of 13 cannot legally have an account, we are aware that some of our children access it regularly.

You can find out more about helping to keep children safe on line at:

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/

#### **Starting School?**

If you have a child born between 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2017, then now is the time to apply for a place at our school for admission from September 2021 onwards. You must complete an application form that is available from the school admissions team of the Wiltshire Council. If your child has been baptised and you wish to apply for our school, you must also provide a **copy of the baptism certificate** to the school. Before the closing date.

Please ensure you apply by the closing date of 15 January 2021.

#### Year 4 Braeside Residential Trip

Thank you to all parents who have paid for the re-scheduled residential trip for last year's Y3 children who are now Y4! The new dates are: **Wednesday 26th May—Friday 28th May 2021.** If there is anyone who has not paid the balance of £100, may we please request that you settle this via your ParentPay account as soon as possible.

#### **Year 3 Braeside Residential Trip**

Y3 parents—watch this space! We are busy making plans for your residential and will confirm details to you soon.

#### **School Lunches:**

The school lunch booking system is working well. The menu can be viewed on the **school website**, which includes **allergy information** and the three weekly menu cycle. Please continue to book via your **ParentPay account at least one week** in advance. Many thanks

## Term dates and Staff Development Days calendar accompany this newsletter

Please make a note of our term dates, which are also published on our website.

**Polite request...** when contacting the school office, please can you include which class your child is in. This will greatly help the office staff when helping with your enquiry.

Weekly Attendance 1st—4th September	St Lawrence 96.6%
St Anthony 100%	St Francis 92.8%
St Aldheim 100%	St Scholastica 95.9