

# St Anthony's VC Academy Newsletter

Can you believe we are half way through our school year! It has been a short but very busy half term, with so much STA Sparkle to celebrate! I hope you all enjoy some rest and family time next week!

**Mrs Storch**

## Spring 2 PE Days:

**FS2 Tue (am), Year 1 Tue (pm), Year 2 Thurs (pm)  
Year 3 Mon (am), Year 4 Wed (pm), Year 5 Fri (pm)  
Year 6 Mon (pm)**



On **7<sup>th</sup> March**, we will be celebrating World Book Day with lots of fun activities to explore the joy of reading!

Children are invited to come dressed as a character from a book or ready for a bedtime story (in PJs/Onesie)



## Children's Mental Health Week 2024

### 'My Voice Matters'

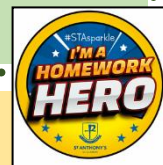
In school, we have been thinking about our mental health and how to use our voice to support ourselves and others.

The QR code links to some resources to support families at home with this – take a look, there are some good ideas.



## Important Dates

- 19.02 – Back to school
- 21.02 – Y3 Stay and Pray 2.30pm
- 22.02 – EYFS stay and Pray 9am
- 27.02 – Y5 Drama Day at St Mary's College
- 28/29.02 – Y4 Edinburgh Trip!
- 07.03 – World Book Day!
- 11.03 – Parents' Meetings
- 22.03 – Break up for Easter



## Homework Heroes!

The children (and adults at home!) have been working hard on this term's homework projects! We have seen some amazing efforts and given out lots of our new Homework Hero stickers! Why not spend some time having a go over half term?

## Absences

If your child cannot attend school because they are unwell please inform the Office by 8:30am on the first day of absence and **every day thereafter until they return**. Call us on 01482 850286; use the school app (Edulink) or just pop in!

If you do not provide a reason for your child's absence, he/she will receive an unauthorised absence mark for the day.

An accumulation of unauthorised absences within a term may result in a Penalty Notice fine.

If you are unsure whether your child should be absent from school, then please ring the school for guidance ☺.

The majority of children are fine to come to school with a cold or minor ailment and we would ring you if required.

Note that with your permission, school staff can administer medication in line with our Medical Policy

(see our school website).

Remember to book your **Parent Meeting** appointment for **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March!**





## Focus on Faith

Despite this being a short term, we have been busy learning more about our faith and putting our beliefs into action. It has been lovely to welcome some families in for Stay and Pray sessions and see our children enjoying creative ways to explore their relationship with God.

### Do you have a loved one in Hospital?

If you would like some support from Deacon Bob, he would love to help. He is the Lay Chaplain for Hull Royal.

01482 470456

### Introducing... Sue

Sue is one of the Parishioners from St Anthony's Church. She volunteers her time on a Tuesday morning to come into school and listen to the children read.

*I love coming into school and getting to know the lovely children and staff!*

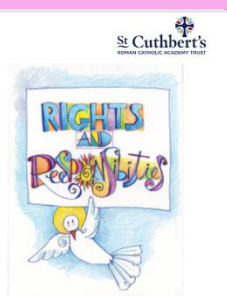


## Faith in Action

Our **Catholic Social Teaching** Focus for this half term has been 'Rights and Responsibilities.' We have thought carefully about what our rights are and how we can take responsibility for ourselves and others.

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God wants us to help make sure everyone is safe and healthy and can have a good life.



**Rights and Responsibilities**

## Prayer Corner

THE 5 FINGER  
PRAYER FOR KIDS

**The smallest finger, myself**  
Praying for myself last out of humility

**The weakest finger**  
People who are hurting, sick and lost

**The tallest finger**  
My leaders and authority figures

**Those who point the way**  
My pastor, teachers, and doctor

**Those close to me**  
Family and friends

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