

Term 1: September 3rd - October 17th



As the clocks go back (26th October) and the nights draw in, it feels like time to have a break from Striving, Thriving and Achieving. As usual there has been lots of that going on at St Anthony's this term: staff working incredibly hard to support pupils settling into their new classes and getting used to new routines and challenges in learning; trips out, visitors in, competitions and community work.

Next term, unusually, we will be in school for Halloween. It's an interesting festival. In the early days of the Christian church it was the eve of All Hallows. That is, the night before All Saints' Day, November 1st. The myth grew up that all the evil spirits were out that night taking their last chance to misbehave before the saints banished them back to hell the next day. The stories went to America, with the first settlers, and in the twentieth century became a big, commercialised festival. This country had its own traditions but lately we have adopted a lot of the American commercialisation and now it's one of the biggest festivals of the year. 31st of October will be a non-uniform day. Feel free to allow your child to come to school in costume. Please keep them fun and not too gory – remember, we are a family school. Also, Liz, in the kitchen, will be doing a themed school dinner. And Katie Champion will be organising Hallowe'en games for the afternoon. Please enjoy your short holiday. Go for a walk and look out for the changing colours in nature. Rest and return refreshed for a new term. *Antony*

STUDENT STAR

A huge congratulations to Dexter of Minnis class who was signed by Ramsgate football team!

Non School Uniform Day Friday 31st October

WELCOME TO THE SCHOOL







Stone class

Tanya

British Values



- Democracy A culture built upon freedom and equality, where everyone is aware of their rights and responsibilities.
 - Liberty Promoting freedom of choice
- Respect & Tolerance Respecting the values, ideas
 and beliefs of others whilst
 not imposing on your own.
 - Rule of Law The need for rules to make a happy, safe and secure environment to live & work.

Dates for your Diary

- Friday 17th October Last day of Term 1
- Monday 27th October First day of Term 2
- Monday 24th November INSET DAY (Children not to attend)
- 24th 28th November Maths Time Focus Week
- Friday 5th December Winter Fayre 4pm-530pm
- Tuesday 16th December KS2 Panto trip
- Friday 19th December Last day of Term 2



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In support of our term's topic, Beside the Seaside, primary classes enjoyed a visit from an RNLI volunteer, Vanessa. She spoke with pupils about her role within the organisation, shared important seaside safety information, and introduced them to a range of beach safety flags. Pupils were also given the exciting opportunity to try on elements of the RNLI uniform.

Abbie Fogg Class teacher



ENRICHMENT

Enrichment sessions have started Macie, Josie and Jessie have had some creative sessions. Logan has made a water wall for the primary students to enjoy and the community group will be back out collecting rubbish and continuing our duties at the local church.

Katie Champion, Enrichment lead







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ART CREATIONS

This term in art KS2 have been learning all about the formal elements in art which are line, shape, form, pattern, texture, colour, tone and space. Students have been exploring these through a variety of different techniques and have been producing some very creative results.

In KS3 art students have learned all about surreal art, in particular how to create a surreal collage. They have then developed ideas into their own choice of media from clay through to Minecraft!

In KS4 year 10 students have been learning new techniques such as marbling, digital art, photography and scraper boards. Some students have been introduced to using a DSLR camera and have conducted photoshoots around school. In year 11 students have been continuing their personal art projects started in term 6. These projects form the majority of their coursework for the GCSE, will run throughout year 11 and play to the creative strengths of the individual.

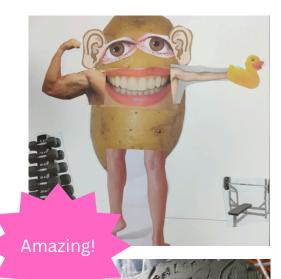
Next term KS2 will be having fun with colour, KS3 will take inspiration from festivals/celebrations and year 10 will be looking at film and media to inspire their own props, sets, books, album covers, posters or costumes.

Katie Green, Art teacher







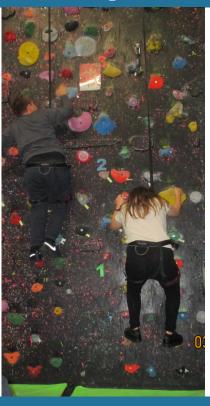






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ROCK-CLIMBING

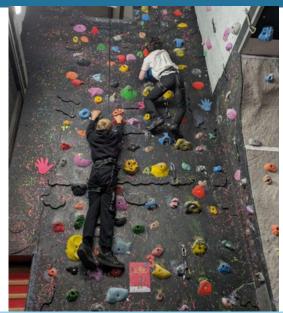
During term 1 the students of Louisa and Pegwell classes have been rock-climbing at Revolution during their PE lessons.

"The kids had a great time, some of them managed to overcome their fears of heights. All were very well behaved and represented the school admirably".

Kyle Adams











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Our not so little ducks are nearly 5 months old now and we have learnt they are both girls. We should start to see some eggs soon.

Biscoff and Oreo are well settled into life at forest school and spend most of their day foraging for bugs and insects. They are even regular visitors into the classroom. Their favourite food is peas and dried mealworms and our children at St Anthony's love to come and visit to help

Ame Friend, Forest school lead





care for them.

Joss class have been swimming every Tuesday this term. The students have engaged really well and have grown in confidence. "One pupil can now swim 25metres independently"

Abbie Fogg, Class teacher



The Draughts competition was tense as always. The competition was fierce and we had some new up and coming talent shining through this year. All participants were focused and showed good sportsmanship. After a Tense hour the final winners shone through: Tom A (saxons) for Secondary and for Primary Fynley Radcliffe (Vikings) (who only started playing yesterday!!). The two finalists even had a friendly at the end and Tom A was the overall STA champ!!

Rachel Cox, KS2 lead



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COMMUNITY LIFESAVERS

This week, year 6 and new pupils had the valuable opportunity to take part in CPR training led by the Community Lifesavers team. During the session, pupils learned essential life-saving skills, including how to perform CPR and respond in an emergency. The hands-on experience helped build their confidence and understanding of how quick actions can make a real difference. We are very grateful to the Community Lifesavers for delivering such an engaging and important workshop!

Jodie Whittle, Teacher







the event a lot of fun and a big thankyou to Katie Champion for organizing!



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REWARD TRIPS

Every lesson, children earn class points based on the school code; On time, On task, Follow instructions, Be Polite, Respect Equipment. These points are added up at the end of the year and children earn a place on one of the trips.

Over the last few weeks, 65children have been going out of school for reward trips to Chessington World of Adventures, Gel Blasting at Quex Park and Bowling at Bugsy's. These trips were to reward the behaviour of our pupils over the last year. 65 pupils went on the trips.

Abi Cranson, Deputy Headteacher

GOLD

The Gold reward trip to Chessington was a fantastic day filled with exciting fast rides that left pupils and staff smiling from ear to ear. All pupils amazed staff with their fearless attitude to the fast rides! It was a memorable day filled with fun and laughter, celebrating the students' outstanding behaviour.

Katy Wren

KS4 Lead



BRONZE

The bronze group played a game of bowling at Bugsy's in Cliftonville. Harry of Walpole class scored an amazing 4 strikes! The students had a great afternoon.



SILVER

The silver trip
enjoyed an
adrenaline filled
morning Gel Blasting
at Quex Park.
Unfortunately, no
photos were taken as
the staff were too
busy defending
themselves from
rouge gel blasts!







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ATTENDANCE

Did you know your child's attendance affects your child's success? Being in school, on time, every day is vital for student's well-being, not just their educational growth but for their development in so many other areas such as social and emotional development. We understand that our students needs are far different from the students in mainstream school, so this year we are aiming for a whole school attendance of at least 85%. To achieve this, we are continuing our promotion and praise of individual school attendance.





ILLNESS & MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS

If your child is absent due to illness or a medical appointment, the office must be provided with proof. Medical appointment proof can be shown to Kimmy or Vickie in the office. This can be shown as a text, email or letter which will allow us to authorise their absence. If your child is absent due to illness, we will need to see a doctor's note in order to authorise their absence.

As a parent, you are legally responsible for making sure your child gets a full-time education. Therefore, KCC has given guidelines on how a school must manage absences: For full KCC guidelines please visit:

https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-attendance/school-absences







Congratulations to our attendance leaders for Term 1!:



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WHAT'S ON OCTOBER HALF TERM..



The old Kent Market, Margate Saturday 25th October, from Noon The market has been overtaken by creaturess awaiting your trick or treating! FREE

Messy Mondays

Margate Caves, Margate

Autumnal crafts

Monday 20th October, 10-4pm

£1.50

Windmill Community Gardens,
Dane Valley
Pumpkin Party
Friday 24th October 12-3pm
£6 per family

Turner contemporary, Margate Sea monster stop motion workshop Wednesday 22nd October, dropin FREE

Milmead community cenre
Halloween crafty youth group
(9-14yrs)
Thursday 23rd October, 1-3pm
£1.50

Ramsgate Scavenger Hunt with beach art Ramsgate sands Thursday 23rd October, 9.30am FREE







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Membership

All families of children or young people with a disability (as defined by the Equality Act 2010) who live or go to school in East Kent can become members of For Us Too.

Why become a member?

- · Receive regular updates by email.
- · Priority booking for workshops & events
- · Pay reduced rates for our trips & events
- · Access our lending library for special toys, books, DVDs & equipment
- · Your input in how you would like For Us Too to develop and the events and services you would like.
- · Elect trustees, attend formal meetings, or even become a trustee yourself!

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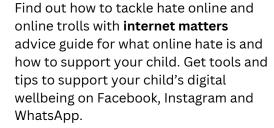
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for 10-25 year olds across Kent and **Keeth** Medway. Offering 1-2-1 counselling, helpful articles, community discussion boards and daily journals.

NSPCC

Call NSPCC on 0808 800 5000 if you're worried about the safety of a child. Or call the police on 999 if you think a child is in immediate danger.



MindEd is a free educational resource on children and young people's mental health for all adults.



Free and confidential advice from Family Lives on 0808 800 2222 if you're finding it hard at home with your child and are struggling to cope.



Mind's Action for Children around self esteem and helping your child. Parents with Confidence help your child to emotionally regulate.



Young Minds have a parent's helpline, information and resources