

St. Anthony's

9th February 2024

As we come to the end of term 3, I wanted to take a moment to express my thanks for your ongoing support and collaboration in your child's education journey. These past few months have been filled with growth, discovery, and invaluable learning experiences for all of us.

We are proud of the progress students have made academically, socially, and emotionally. Their dedication to learning and their enthusiasm in the classroom have been truly inspiring. From mastering new concepts to developing important life skills, each achievement is a testament to their hard work and determination.

As we prepare for a well-deserved break, I encourage you to take this time to relax, recharge, and spend quality time with your loved ones. It's essential to prioritize self-care and rejuvenation to ensure we return refreshed and ready to tackle new challenges in the upcoming term.

I am eagerly looking forward to the opportunities and adventures that the next term will bring. Together, we will continue to inspire, motivate, and empower our students to reach their full potential.

Thank you once again for your unwavering support, and I wish you all a restful holiday season.

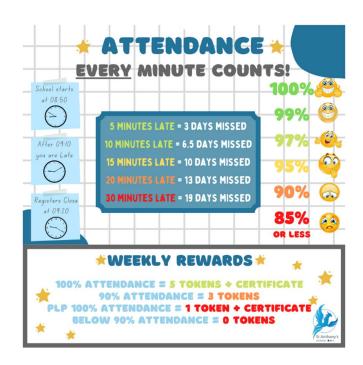
Dates for the diary

- Monday 19th February First day of term 4
- Friday 7th March World Book Day

British Values



- Democracy have the right to have your voice heard
- Individual Liberty Promote freedom of choice
- Rule of Law The importance of law and rules
- Mutual Respect & Tolerance to respect those from different backgrounds



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.

How is Attendance at St Anthony's rewarded?

We monitor and reward attendance on a weekly, termly and yearly basis with a variety of rewards up for grabs. Our weekly attendance is monitored from a Friday to a Thursday, this allows us to celebrate that week's attendance achievements in our school assembly on a Friday morning.

Students who obtain 100% attendance from the Friday to Thursday will receive a certificate and 5 Reward Shop Tokens. Students who receive 90% attendance in the same period will receive 3 Reward Shop Tokens. We also recognise that our students who have a Personal Learning Plan (or a

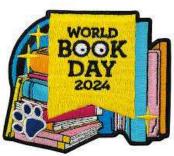
PLP) will never obtain 100% or 90% attendance due to their learning plan. Therefore, students on a PLP who attend 100% of their PLP during the weekly time-frame are rewarded with a certificate and 1 Reward Shop Token.

The Termly monitoring is based upon the old 3 term school year, Term 1 running until Christmas, Term 2 until Easter and Term 3 until Summer. For every student who achieves 100% attendance for the Term will receive a pin badge and a certificate. The colour of the pin badge is determined by how many TERMS the student has achieved 100%. Bronze will be awarded for all students who have achieved 1 Term of 100% attendance. Silver is awarded to all students who have achieved 2 TERMS of 100% attendance and Gold is awarded to all students who have achieved all 3 TERMS of 100% attendance. Also, ALL students with an attendance of 95% or above will be entered into a draw to win 1 of 3 vouchers worth £20, £10 and £5

The Yearly monitoring is quite simple, all students who receive 95% attendance or above will be presented with a certificate and medal. Students who receive 100% attendance for the year will receive a certificate and medal to take home and their name will be etched onto our Attendance Plaque.







World Book Day class competition this year is for the best 'Story Sack'!

Story Sacks take popular children's books and add props and prompts.

The Story Sacks will then be used in our Key Stage 2 to continue to promote the love of reading.

If pupils want to dress up on the day as a book character they can, prizes will be given!



KS4 'Build a Breakfast'

This week for maths **Epple**, **Grenham** and **Minnis** classes, have built individual itemised breakfasts.

They have: explored prices, built their own menus and selected their favourite items to include. This created opportunities to solve mathematical problems of quantities and using money. Lots of discuss was had about what our favourite items are and why.

All the pupils enjoyed the final product of a cooked breakfast. Some even braved trying black pudding!











THRIVE DAY

On Thursday 1st February we had a whole day dedicated to **THRIVE!**

THRIVE is a whole school approach to support our children and young people with developing their social and emotional skills. We do this by engaging the children in lots of activities which give them time to reflect on positives, look at what they enjoy and even what they don't.

Every child made a bird feeder which we hung out around the school and in the forest school. Some not too keen on the smell.

Each class created a positivity jar to focus on positive thoughts and feelings about themselves and others, but also nice experiences they have had. These will remain in the class and opened on the next THRIVE day to show the children and young people all of the positive things that have happened over the last few terms.

The classes all enjoyed their hot chocolates and biscuits after break time. Lots of children got involved in team building exercises in PE and tower building in cooking using marshmallows and dried spaghetti. The tallest tower being built by CJ and Corey in Kingsgate Class, reaching 82cm. Well done!

All pupils and staff got stuck in with lots of wonderful activities and really enjoyed the day!









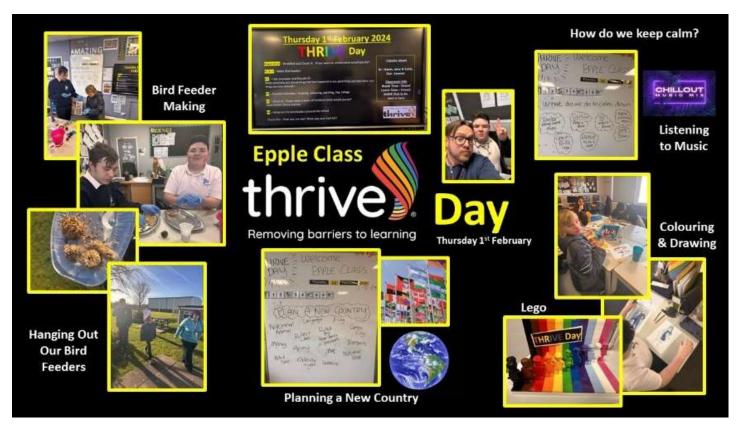












Design Technology

Tyler made a model ship – Titanic over a period of 3 terms. He did this in lessons when he had finished the set task and had 10 minutes to spare. All the pieces are made and shaped from scrap materials by hand with traditional tools.

Ty Valentine made a box with 4 insert trays over a period of two terms. This was made by hand and using skills developed during his BTEC Construction Course. Ty is going to use this Box not only as work to be assessed for his BTEC Construction course but also to display his Art Work for his qualification and assessment.





Dodgeball

A large number of students took part in the dodgeball competition this week, battling it out to be named champions. The primary students were the first to play, giving a high energy performance with heaps of team spirit!

It was a close call between the **Normans** and **Saxons** but the **Saxons** scooped an extra win to beat their opponents. **Vikings** came in 4th place and the **Romans** in 3rd.

Next to play were the Secondary students who demonstrated high levels of endurance and determination. With some fast-paced games, the tournament moved quickly and it was a clean sweep for the Vikings who won every single

game and were named the **winners!** 3rd place went to the **Romans** and joint 2nd was shared by the **Saxons** and **Normans**.

Well done and thank you to all of the students who helped referee the games and stepped in to help other houses. Well done to all who took part



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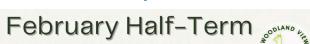




https://mailchi.mp/kent.gov.uk/send-parent-newsletter-february-2024?e=8677bbaeaa

Whats on...

🕏 February Half Term 🥸



Monday 12 - Friday 16 Feb 2024

ALPACA TREKKING

Treks daily at 1.00 pm

Family Ticket £50 for 2 adults and 2 children

Adult and Child (6-14yrs) #25

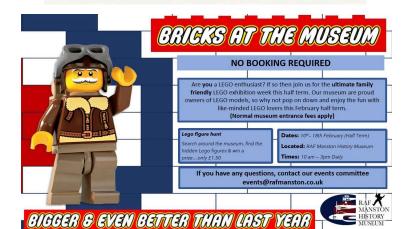
Fun and educational – Discover interesting facts about alpacas!

Photo opportunities.

Come and Meet Freddy!

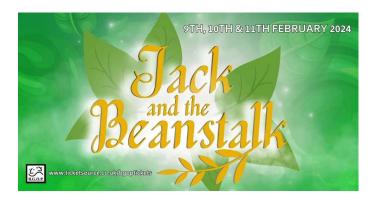
alpacatreks.com







https://powellcottonmuseum.org/event/ spring-into-the-museum-2024/



Tickets:

https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/bgoptickets



The Creation Station Baypoint's Half Term Arts And Crafts Holiday Camp is back!

Our Camp Info:

Monday 12th-Thursday 15th February 2024

10 am to 2 pm

🔆£20 a day

Baypoint Sports Club, Ramsgate Road, Sandwich, CT139QL

Book here

Monday 12th- https://zurl.co/BQJL Tuesday 13th- https://zurl.co/dr7x Wednesday 14th- https://zurl.co/QOZK Thursday 15th- https://zurl.co/n56k





SPORT FOR FUN – Saturdays (term time) 9.00 - 10.00 at St Anthony's School. A Saturday morning sports club for children with SEND.

BE ACTIVE -SHORT BREAK - Saturdays (term time) 10.30 - 12.00 at Foreland Fields School

BE ACTIVE -SHORT BREAK - Wednesdays (term time) 4.30 - 6.00 at Foreland Fields School

complete the following referral form to declare interest: https://forms.office.com/r/EZwuMEZmEd

CLIP N CLIMB - Thursdays Session 1: 4.30-5.30pm Session 2: 5.30-6.30pm.

To book please clink on this link: https://forms.gle/EHYHiAtxWfE3XYDz6

MARGATE YOUTH FC KICKS 4 KIDS - Tuesdays 5 00-5 45 at Margate FC

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Inclusive football sessions delivered by Inclusive Sport. To register please visit:

https://www.margateyouthfc.co.uk/events/kick-inclusive-football-sessions

Cost of Living Support



With the pressures of costs around us there is a number of services that can support. If you are having troubles please contact them direct or come and talk with us.

A link below is Thanet councils community hub which can sign post to a range of support functions.

https://www.thanet.gov.uk/infopages/covidcommunityadvice/

DWP - Outreach sessions for families

Outreach sessions are being held in local venues. Support on hand includes, benefit advice, childcare choices and cost, finding work, cost of living, housing and any queries that our work coach can support the family with.

Ramsgate – The Priory Children's Centre, Cannon Rd, Ramsgate CT11 9SQ Outreach available every Wednesday between 9am to 12noon. To book a slot to see our adviser at the Priory Children Centre in Ramsgate please contact jayne.conroy@dwp.gov.uk

Margate – Six Bells Children Centre, 201 High St, Margate CT9 1WH

Outreach available every Monday between 1pm to 4pm. To book a slot to see our adviser at the Six Bells in Margate please contact philip.raeburn@dwp.gov.uk or anita.taylor@dwp.gov.uk

Visit Kent Resilience Hub where you can increase

Kent your understanding, find approaches

Resilience Hub and tools or navigate your way to support and services relating to resilience and emotional wellbeing.

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

MindEd

a-leaving to support young healthy minds

<u>MindEd</u> is a free educational resource on children and young

people's mental health for all adults.

Find out how to tackle hate online and online



trolls with internet matters advice guide for what <u>online hate</u> is and how to support your child. Get tools and tips to

support your child's <u>digital wellbeing</u> on Facebook, Instagram and WhatsApp.



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.



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



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.

<u>Young Minds</u> have a parent's helpline, information and resources