

Newsletter



St. Anselm's Catholic Primary School

04/11/2022

Dear Parents

All staff received very useful SEN training on Monday about supporting children with Autism. Many of the strategies that we learnt about are useful for supporting all children, and we focussed particularly on the Zones of Regulation. This is a simple strategy that helps children to understand the different emotions that we all experience, and to self-regulate their own emotions in order to meet the demands of the situations they experience. These strategies, and the associated language, are now being used consistently across the school



Mrs Patterson has set up a new Twitter account (SEND@St-Anselm's), which contains more information about the Zones of Regulation, and will also keep parents up to date with useful information about supporting children with SEN. Much of this information is useful for all children, and the account can be accessed using the QR code below. It is a private account and so you will be given access once you have been authorised.



For those of you who may not be aware, we also have a school Twitter account (@stanselms_toot) which has lots of posts about what is happening in school.

Congratulations to St Patrick's House (green), who won the team points last half term. They may wear home clothes to school on **Thursday 10th November**. The names of the children in this house are attached (Y1 – 6).

Hopefully the children in Years 1 to 6 will have been talking to you about science week. As many of you will know, this takes place each half term and it allows for the children to be totally immersed in their science topic. They work in science groups, and undertake many practical tasks and investigations which allow them to develop their scientific enquiry skills and vocabulary. The children's scientific acumen was recently praised by our school's link inspector who observed some of the lessons and spoke to the children.



Change of dates

Year 1 assembly will be on 20th January

Year 5 assembly will be on 27th January

Theme Week will now take place during the week beginning 20th March.

Best wishes

H. Elwes

Hattie Elwes

Headteacher

E-safety

We have been working hard to put together a comprehensive e-safety curriculum, as part of our computing curriculum, to try and ensure that children have the knowledge they need to use the internet safely.

As adults, it is hard for all of us to keep abreast of the associated risks for children, alongside the benefits, and I would urge you to attend our e-safety training for parents if you are able to. The dates are below, and you will need to sign up via ParentMail. As always, please do what you can to educate your child about how to keep safe, particularly if they have a mobile phone and are using group chats.

Advent Mass: 28th November at 10:00am

This is a lovely Mass, and the children always sing beautifully. Parents are very welcome to join us.

Dates

November

11th Year 4 assembly 9:30

15th Open day

16th Reception parent conferences

17th e-safety training for parents (R, 1 + 2) 9:00

18th PTA Christmas market 8:30am (adults only)

24th e-safety training for parents (3, 4, 5 + 6) 9:00

25th Senior Citizens party 4pm – 6pm

28th Advent Mass 10:00 (church) **Parents invited**

December

1st After-school clubs finish

6th Year 1 and 2 Christmas production 2:15pm

8th Reception nativity 2:15pm

9th Home clothes (Christmas Jumper) day

14th Key Stage 2 Pantomime 7:00pm (**all KS2 children to attend**)

16th Mass 10:00

End of term at **2:00pm**



'A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another.' John 13:34