

Last Friday saw another successful and enjoyable Sports Day. After some very heavy rain in the days leading up to the event, we were relieved that the weather stayed dry and provided near-perfect conditions for competing. The morning was packed with races and zoned activities, with all of the children giving their best for their teams. This was followed by a thrilling tug of war competition which, as always, was fiercely contested and enjoyed by competitors and spectators alike. At the end of the day, Team Asia were crowned Sports Day champions and lifted the Sports Day Shield for the fifth time. Their latest victory means that they now hold the record for the most Sports Day wins since our team competitions began back in 2012. Thank you to all of the children for taking part so sportingly. Although there were a few tears from some children whose teams did not come out on top, they still enjoyed the day and it was lovely to see them cheering each other on, encouraging one another and congratulating others on their successes. A huge thank you must go to all of the staff for the part they played in making the day such a success, particularly Miss Goodhew who, as PE Leader, coordinated the whole event. Thanks also to Mr White for making sure the track was marked out and ready, despite the heavy rain threatening to wash it away at times! Thank you to all of you who came along to support the children. Your encouragement helped to make it a special day for everyone involved. It really was a wonderful family event. And finally, congratulations to the ladies for once again dominating the visitors' tug of war competition!

### Parking

Although Sports Day was a huge success and a wonderful occasion for the children, it was unfortunately marred by a significant number of complaints from our neighbours and local residents regarding the way some cars were parked. We received reports of vehicles being dangerously perched on grass verges and banks, blocking driveways and, in some cases, preventing residents from accessing their own vehicles. This is extremely disappointing and has understandably caused frustration amongst those who live near the school. As a school, we work hard to maintain positive relationships with our neighbours and the wider community. Sadly, incidents such as these can quickly damage that goodwill, and considerable effort will now be needed to repair and restore those relationships. I would therefore once again ask all parents and visitors to be mindful of where and how they park when attending school events. If parking is limited, please use the church carpark and allow extra time to find a suitable space and avoid parking in a way that inconveniences or endangers others. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

### Non Uniform Day

Thank you for supporting the PTFA non-uniform day last week. We collected a fantastic number of bottles for the bottle tombola, which will help make the Family Festival an even greater success. Our second non-uniform day will take place on Thursday 25th June. **Children are invited to wear their own clothes in return for a donation of sweets or chocolate.** Participation is entirely optional. However, as this is a fundraising event, we ask that children wearing non-uniform bring the requested donation. If you would rather not contribute, that is absolutely fine, but children should attend school in their normal uniform. Thank you, as always, for your support and understanding.

### My Dad Supplement

We are delighted that our children once again took part in the KM Media Group newspapers *My Dad* drawing activity. All of the drawings will be published in a special *My Dad 2026* supplement, which will be available in newspapers on **Thursday 18th June**. Copies can be purchased from local newsagents and supermarkets. Parents can also access a digital version of the supplement, along with previous *My Mum* and *My Dad* editions, through KentOnline.

*More overleaf*

**'Trust in the Lord... and He will direct your path.'** Adapted from Proverbs 3:5-6



15<sup>th</sup> June  
Summer 2026

In yesterday's Gospel, the eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Jesus tells His disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few." He uses the image of a harvest to show that many people are in need of God's love, care, and guidance. While there are many opportunities to help others, there are often too few people willing to step forward and serve.

Jesus invites each of us to be one of those workers. We do not have to do extraordinary things; we can help by showing kindness, including those who feel left out, offering encouragement, and using our talents to support others.



**Loving God,  
Thank You for calling each of us to be workers in Your harvest. Help us to see the needs of those around us and to respond with kindness, compassion, and generosity.**

**Give us the courage to use our gifts to serve others, to include those who feel alone, and to bring hope wherever we go. May our words and actions reflect Your love each day.**

**Amen.**

## Changes to Breakfast Club in September

We would like to inform parents that, from September, Miss Marshall will no longer be running the school's Breakfast Club. We are extremely grateful to Miss Marshall for her dedication and commitment to providing this valuable service since it began many years ago. Her care and support have been greatly appreciated by both children and families, and we would like to thank her for all she has done. From the start of the new academic year, our Breakfast Club provision will be delivered by Progressive Sports, the same company that currently provides our after-school wraparound care. We are working closely with Progressive Sports to ensure a smooth transition and will share further details, including booking information and arrangements, with parents very soon.

## KS2 Production of Aladdin

It is not long now until Y6 and KS2 children perform this year's leavers' production to us. Tickets for performances of Aladdin on 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> July, costing £4.50 each, are currently available for Y6 parents to purchase and will be on sale to KS2 parents and a wider audience from Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> June.

## America Team Celebration Day

This Thursday, we will be celebrating our America Team's patron saint, St Rose of Lima. Although her feast day falls in August, we are marking the occasion together this week. Children in the America Team are warmly invited to wear their own clothes to school on Thursday to join in the festivities. Fr Emeka will celebrate a special Mass for us, and the America Team will also enjoy a small celebration together during the day. Team wristbands with the team motto '*When we serve others, we serve Jesus,*' can be purchased for £1 from the school tuck shop.

## PTFA Kickathon

Thank you for sending in your sponsorship money for the World Cup Kickathon event which recently took place. If you have not already managed to do so, please return all money to the school office by this Friday. Thank you for your support

## PTFA Fathers' Day Shop

To ensure enough gifts are available for all children to purchase, voucher sales will close at 5pm tomorrow, Tuesday 16th June.

## KEY DATES

### Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June

Y1 & Y2 Butterfly Garden Trip

### Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June

America Team Celebration Day  
PTFA Fathers' Day Shop

### Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June

Y5 Science Fair Trip

### Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June

Non uniform day in exchange for sweets and chocolates

### Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June

PTFA Family Festival

### Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July

Y6 Safety in Action Event

### Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July

KS2 Aladdin Production

### Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July

KS2 Aladdin Production

### Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July

Leavers' Disco

### Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July

Leavers' Mass  
Last day of Term. School closes  
1pm



### Please can you help?

Our annual Family Festival is a fantastic day of fun for the whole community and is also the PTFA's biggest fundraiser of the year.

To make the day a success, we need your support. If you can spare some time to help run a stall, please let us know.

If you are unsure of who we are, please let the school office know and they will pass your details on.

The more volunteers we have, the more we can share the workload, meaning everyone gets a chance to enjoy the festival with their family rather than being tied to a stall all day. Thank you for your support – every little bit helps!

**PTFA Committee**

**Mary Okani, Nicole D'Amato,  
Jamie Fellowes and Sherylin McCarthy**

## Snack Shack

### PRICE LIST

- Piece of fruit 10p
- Welch's Fruit-based snack 30p
- Popcorn 15p
- Smoothies 50p
- Rosary Beads £1
- Team wristbands £1
- Water bottles £2
- Spare water bottle lids 50p
- Fruit Ice Pops coming soon
- Open Mondays and Wednesdays



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**DEMOCRACY**  
 We all have the right to be heard and to take part in decisions that affect us all.
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**RULE OF LAW**  
 We are all subject to the law which is applied fairly and equally to everyone.
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**INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY**  
 We have the freedom to make our own choices and express our own views.
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**MUTUAL RESPECT**  
 We respect each other and treat everyone with kindness and consideration.
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**TOLERANCE**  
 We value differences and celebrate the diverse communities we live in.

## In the news this week

### How can we protect the oceans?

8th June was World Oceans Day, a time when people around the world think about how to care for seas, oceans and the creatures living in them. Dutch inventor, Boyan Slat, first became worried about ocean pollution as a teenager after seeing huge amounts of plastic while diving. He created the organisation The Ocean Cleanup, which designs special systems to remove rubbish from oceans and stop more plastic entering rivers and seas.



### Things to talk about at home ...

- Why do you think oceans are important to people and animals?
- Have you ever seen pollution near a beach, river or park? How did it make you feel?
- What small changes could families make to help protect the oceans?

## Which British Value?

This highlights **Rule of Law** as the UK and other countries have laws against rubbish being dumped into rivers, seas, and oceans. These laws work to protect our environment, wildlife, and people from harm.

The story demonstrates **Mutual Respect and Tolerance**. It shows how our choices affect other living things, and how working together and listening to different ideas can help protect our planet.

## Which protected characteristic?

This story highlights **age** as a protected characteristic by showing that anyone can make a big difference, no matter how old they are.

## Rainbow Curriculum Link

This story highlights how one individual, Boyan Slat, recognised a global problem and took action to address it. His determination to develop solutions for ocean pollution demonstrates **leadership** through inspiring others and **confidence** in pursuing an ambitious idea. The story also reflects **initiative and independence**, showing how positive change can begin when individuals think creatively, take responsibility and act on their beliefs.



### This week's focus for Y3 & Y4:

#### Water safety

#### Key messages we learned:

1. Water can be dangerous in many environments including rivers, canals, lakes, the sea, paddling pools and ponds.
2. Being a strong swimmer in a pool does not always mean we are safe in open or cold water.
3. Cold water can affect breathing and movement, especially if we enter it unexpectedly.
4. It is important to recognise potential dangers around water and think carefully before going near it.
5. Staying with others helps keep us safer around water.
6. In an emergency, knowing what to do can save lives.

#### This week's task:

Teach someone at home the *Water Safety Code*:

1. Stop and think – spot the dangers
2. Stay together – never go near water alone
3. In an emergency, float – try to stay calm and starfish
4. Call 999 – get help as quickly as possible

#### How you can support at home:

Talk with your child about different water environments they may encounter and the risks associated with them. Reinforce the importance of staying together, recognising hazards and knowing what to do in an emergency. These conversations help children feel more confident and prepared to stay safe around water.



### In Culture Club this term, we are learning about inspirational sportspeople.



Usain Bolt is a famous runner from Jamaica and is known as the fastest man in the world. He was born on August 21, 1986, and loved sports when he was a child.

Bolt became famous for winning races in the 100-metre and 200-metre sprints. At the Olympic Games, he won many gold medals and broke world records. His fastest 100-metre race was only 9.58 seconds, which is still the world record today.

People liked Usain Bolt not only because he was fast but also because he was fun and friendly. He often celebrated his wins with his famous "lightning bolt" pose.

Today, Usain Bolt is retired from racing, but he is still remembered as one of the greatest athletes of all time and inspires children around the world to work hard and follow their dreams.

ST ANSELM'S PTFA PRESENTS

★ OUR FATHER'S DAY ★  
**SHOP**

**IS BACK!**

★ HELP YOUR CHILDREN  
★ CELEBRATE THE SPECIAL  
★ MEN IN THEIR LIVES! ★



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# St Anselm's School Term Dates 2026-27

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# St Anselm's School Term Dates 2027 – 2028

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# Should I keep my child off school?

## Yes

### Until...

<b>Chickenpox</b>	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
<b>Diarrhoea and Vomiting</b>	48 hours after their last episode
<b>Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)</b>	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
<b>Impetigo</b>	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
<b>Measles</b>	4 days after the rash first appeared
<b>Mumps</b>	5 days after the swelling started
<b>Scabies</b>	they've had their first treatment
<b>Scarlet Fever</b>	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
<b>Whooping Cough</b>	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

## No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

<b>Hand, foot and mouth</b>	<b>Glandular fever</b>
<b>Head lice</b>	<b>Tonsillitis</b>
<b>Threadworms</b>	<b>Slapped cheek</b>



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### Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.

# PARENT & FAMILY SUPPORT

## Mental Health, Wellbeing and Safeguarding Resources

### St Anselm's Catholic Primary School

#### Safeguarding Support at School

If you have concerns about your safety, your child's safety, or their wellbeing, please contact the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL).

**Email:** [dsl@st-anselms.kent.sch.uk](mailto:dsl@st-anselms.kent.sch.uk)

If a child is in immediate danger call **999**.

#### Domestic Abuse Support

**National Domestic Abuse Helpline**

Call **0808 2000 247** (24 hours a day)

Chat: Mon–Fri 10am–10pm

[Domestic abuse support information](#)

#### Additional Support Services

Childline: 0800 1111 (24hrs)

Samaritans: 116 123 (24hrs)

[YoungMinds](#)

[Beat Eating Disorder Support](#)

[Kidscape](#)

#### Fast Track Counselling for Parents

North Kent Mind offers fast track counselling for parents.

£40–£45 per session with short waiting times.

[Visit service page](#)

#### Kooth – Free Online Mental Health Support

Free anonymous online counselling for young people aged 10–25. Available daily including evenings and weekends.

[www.kooth.com](http://www.kooth.com)

Parent support email: [parents@kooth.com](mailto:parents@kooth.com)

