

Year 6 Update – Friday 25th September 2026

National Teaching Assistant Day

Today is National Teaching Assistants' Day.

This is an opportunity for us to recognise the invaluable role our TAs play in children's lives up and down the country.

At St. Anthony's we are hugely fortunate to have dedicated and committed teaching assistants, many of whom have worked at our school for several years.

It is impossible to list the number of tasks our teaching assistants perform daily.

They are there for the children in the classroom to help them with their work. They are there in the medical area when they feel unwell. They are there on the playground during playtimes. They are there at lunchtimes when the children are eating. Many of our TAs work with small groups of children or on a one-to-one basis.

They play a vital role in the children's progression.

Thank you to all our brilliant teaching assistants as we celebrate you today.

Religious Education

- This week we have continued with our learning about the second creation story. We have been discussing how relationships changed after what Adam and Eve did in the Garden of Eden.
- We discussed how Adam and Eve's relationship changed with God, with each other and with creation.

Vocabulary: original sin, Garden of Eden, metaphorical, literal

Pre-Learning

- We will be reading a passage from John's Gospel and we will be discussing how Jesus brings light and hope into the world and we will be completing an activity based on the Nicene Creed.

Mathematics

- This week we have been rounding numbers to the nearest 10, 100, 1000 and 10,000.
- We have also been rounding decimals to 1, 2 and 3 decimal places.

Vocabulary: decimal place, tenth, hundredth, thousandth, increasing, decreasing

Pre- Learning

- Next we will be looking at $\times$ and $\div$ by 10, 100 and 1,000 and applying these rules to word problems.

English

- This week the children continued to write their piece of suspenseful writing.
- The children edited their setting description and then moved on to writing a piece of dialogue between two characters.

- They focused on using the dialogue to not only reveal character but to also move the story forward.

Vocabulary: adjectives, metaphors, planning, editing,

Pre-learning:

- Next week the children will start to plan and write their own version of 'Night of the Gargoyles'.

Science

- This week the children learnt about warm-blooded vertebrates.
- They started to compile a comic strip about the characteristics of mammals

Vocabulary: warm-blooded, bird, mammal, body temperature

Pre-Learning

- We will continue with this work next week.

Geography

- This week we have continued with our learning based on three different mountains; Everest, Mauna Kea and Olympus Mons.

Vocabulary: mountain range, summit,

Other information

- There will be no swimming for 6 Lisbon on Monday 28th September as they will be going to see a performance by Wesley College.
- Year 6 have been invited to go and watch a performance by Wesley College on Monday 28th September in the afternoon. The children will walk to St Michael's Church.
- We will be attending the St Michael's Football and Netball Tournament on Friday 2nd October. Please give permission for your child to attend on the School Gateway.
- There will be a Year 6 Information evening on Wednesday 30th September at 5:30pm. All parents are invited to attend.

Wishing you a great weekend

Kind regards

The Year 6 Team