



Spring 1 Newsletter

Head Teacher Message

Happy Half Term!

In the last 6 weeks we have all sorts thrown our way!

Special visitors, snow, storms, cancelled trips, sickness bugs you name it we've had it! I could not be prouder of every single child (and adult) in the school who have overcome every challenge and change with a smile and a positive outlook.

Again, thank you for the support with our Ofsted inspection. I am looking to organise a coffee drop in the new half term which you will all be welcome to join. Myself and Mrs Smith will welcome questions you may have or queries around the plan moving through the rest of the academic year. More information will be sent out after the half term break. Please take a look at the Anton Junior School website, there are lots of new tabs and information about the school which we hope will continue to keep you up to date with what's happening in school. <https://www.antonjuniorschool.com/>

Well done to all of the children, they have continued to work hard and show their very best over the last 6 weeks.

I hope you have a lovely break and see you all on Monday 24th February!

Miss Culver

(Acting Head)



Some Spring Reminders ...

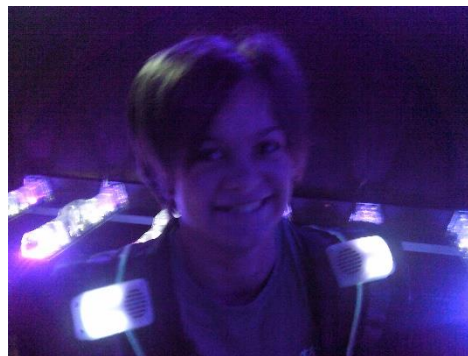
- All children are to come to school in their PE kits on their PE days.
- Please only send healthy snacks for break time.
- All hair accessories should be small and in Anton colours.
- All earrings and jewellery should be removed for PE days.

- Any changes to who may be collecting your child at the end of the day, must be reported to the school office.
- Please report your child's absence from school by 10am each day.
- Please be mindful of where you are parking/ stopping for morning drop off.



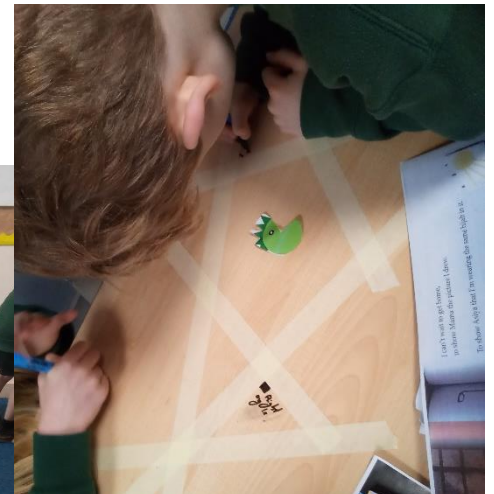
Bowling and Laser Tag Opening

We were very excited to receive an invite to the new Riverside Activity Zone for their opening and marketing event. The children had a fantastic time ... as did Mrs Smith and Mrs Vearncombe!!



A message from Year 3

Year 3 have had a very busy term, we have met the police, experimented growing beans and in our maths lessons we have explored volume and capacity and the different types of angles. We've also used the micro bits during our programming unit which has been really fun!



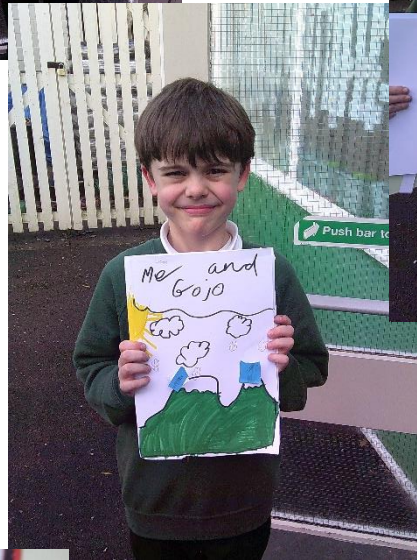
A message from Year 4

Year 4 have had a busy and wonderful half term. The children engaged thoroughly with our class text, *Charlotte's Web*; they have produced some amazing work inspired by the book. In maths, we have been getting to grips with the formal written methods for multiplication. This half term the children have enjoyed designing and creating their own pop-up books. Thank you for coming in to share your children's pop-up books with them, they were very proud of these.

Please continue to encourage your child to practice their timetables at home. We are pleased to see that more children are regularly using Times Tables Rockstars to practise their times tables and it is clear to see their progress in lessons as a result of this. Please ensure that your child also continues to use Spelling Shed regularly too!

Thank you for your continued support this half-term. Have a restful half term.

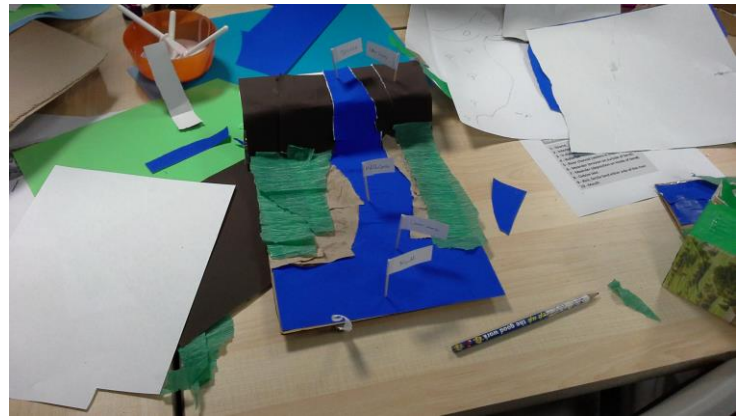
Year 4 Team



A message from Year 5

What a great half term! All the children have worked incredibly and have shown some fabulous learning over the past 6 weeks. The children have written some interesting non-chronological reports based on our class book, *The Explorer*, and tried writing their own opening to the story. We had our exciting Geography unit on rivers which ended with a great parent celebration. It was lovely to see so many adults able to attend this event, thank you. In Science, the children explored different materials and how we sort them based on their properties and in music, we learnt and performed South African drum music in class.

Well Done Year 5!



A message from Year 6

Year 6 have had another brilliant half term and have made a fantastic start to 2025. We have been so impressed by their hard work and amazing efforts. The children have produced some outstanding pieces of writing across a range of genres. They wrote and performed some brilliant speeches around climate change and have more recently written a fantastic narrative based on our class text: Holes. They have also worked incredibly hard in Maths and applied their skills brilliantly in our recent mocks. We have also really enjoyed taking the children swimming this half term and have been impressed with their progress. In history, the children have enjoyed researching facts around the Ancient Greeks and enjoyed our Ancient Greek workshop at the start of the year. We have another busy half term coming up, with SATs prep in full swing, so we hope that the children enjoy a well-deserved break. Thank you again for your continued support - happy half term





Dates for your diary

24th February ~ Year 6 Bikeability

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26th February ~ Year 6 Bikeability

6th March ~ World Book Day

18th March ~ Parents Evening and Book Fair

19th March ~ Year 3 Ufton Court Trip

20th March ~ Parents Evening and Book Fair

27th March ~ Whole School Science Fair

4th April ~ *INSET DAY*

7th April ~ *EASTER HOLIDAYS*