



**St Antony's  
Roman Catholic School**

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February 2021

Dear All,

I hope this letter finds you and your families well. We are now coming to the end of a 6 week period during which St Antony's has been closed to the majority of students and we await further information about how we will start to reopen from 8<sup>th</sup> March. With this imminent reopening in mind, I have enclosed a consent form for your child to participate in the National Testing Programme. Forms are also available [here](#) on the website. Our remote education provision will continue until then, as will our pastoral support. Thank you to those who have participated in our Parent surveys and Q&As. I will be hosting another Q&A on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2021 at 4pm. Please email [head@st-antonys.com](mailto:head@st-antonys.com) if you would like an invitation. My main takeaway from last Friday's session was that the students love interaction with each other and the staff and this is what they are missing most during this time. This will be a further focus in the weeks ahead. Such feedback has enabled us to improve our offer and is always gratefully received.

Our school website has been upgraded and updated and you may find our [Remote Learning](#) and [Literacy](#) pages particularly useful at this time. For the most up-to-date news, please follow us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. The Art Department has its own Instagram platform which is well worth following.

We are continually mindful of the mental health of our students as the lockdown and school closure continues and we are constantly looking for ways to positively impact on this. Thank you to those students who produced their own Express Yourself (theme of Children's Mental Health Week) collage - they were wonderful. Students are now being encouraged to complete their own Passion Projects which you can find information about [here](#).

If your child is ill whilst learning remotely, please contact school as you would normally. A message can be sent to all staff to inform them that your child will not be completing lessons that day. Finally, it is INSET Day on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021, therefore school will be closed to all students and no online tasks will be set.

All students will be receiving a little treat along with this letter to simply say we miss them and well done for working hard. Well done and thank you to all parents/carers too. It's been a tough few months but hopefully we can now see the light at the end of the tunnel.

Have a restful and safe half term.

With kind regards,

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