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FOR GIRLS

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The Review

Act justly, love tenderly, walk humbly with your God

Welcome Message from the Headteacher

In the first few weeks of becoming part of the St. Anne's learning family I made notes of what I wanted to include in my first newsletter. In that short amount of time our world has changed immensely but amid the upheaval and distress, there are reasons to believe we can emerge from this crisis with our human qualities enhanced. 700,000 volunteers have stepped forward to help the NHS and as a nation we showed our appreciation to carers by applauding in unison. I have seen and experienced such kindness over the last few weeks and it has been humbling.

Everyone's Easter plans have been affected. Hopefully the Entertainment Package provided will help you organise your time over this break. Make a list of the things that you want to do and plan when you will do them. See this as an opportunity to do something that you would not normally have the time to do. In the words of Oscar Romero, "Aspire not to have more, but to be more."



This Newsletter gives us a glimpse into how much was achieved in such a short period of time by our community. I am incredibly proud of how St. Anne's students, staff and parents have responded to such fundamental changes in how we are living. We have definitely all become more tech savvy! As well as a renewed appreciation of what is important in our lives – love of family and friends.

Easter, the most important feast in our calendar, is about love; a love that comes from the knowledge of God's love for us and that, in Christ, life has hope and meaning. In a world experiencing such huge challenges, the Easter message calls us all to have faith and trust in the God, who brings life out of death, hope from despair and the opportunity for new beginnings out of endings. Through faith, hope and love, I hope that we may be transformed by the power of the risen Christ to know the real joy of Easter.

Wishing you all very Happy Easter. Remember to stay safe, stay home, save lives.

Mrs E Loveland, Headteacher

Stay Connected with St. Anne's Online!

Click on our School Noticeboard (see right) to keep up to date with us. Here you'll find links to letters, assemblies and information on how to join in with Mass from home. We have also uploaded activities and ideas of things we can all be doing to support others in our community during this time. This is also accessible from the school website homepage.



www.stanoticeboard.co.uk



www.st-annes.enfield.sch.uk



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The screenshot shows a digital noticeboard with several sections:

- Whole School Updates:** Includes a letter from Mrs. Loveland and an Easter Activity Pack.
- Year Groups:** Buttons for Year 7, 8 & 9; Year 10 & 11; and Year 12 & 13, each with links to letters for those years.
- Resources:** Includes a KS4 Booklet, Revision Booklet, and Wallcharts.
- Catholic Life:** Includes Mass, Prayer & Reflection, and Weekly assembly.
- Diary Entries:** Links to diary entries for Years 10, 11, 12, and 13.
- Other:** Mentions National Theatre productions on YouTube and thousands of listening books on Audible.



The Catholic Life of the School



Ash Wednesday and our new Eucharistic Ministers

We started Lent with a whole school Mass on Ash Wednesday, 26th February. Ashes were marked upon our foreheads as a sign of repentance.

During the Mass, eight St. Anne's Sixth Formers were commissioned as Eucharistic Ministers.

Additionally, all students had the opportunity to Pray the Stations of the Cross and take the Sacrament of Reconciliation during this Lent.

Soup and Roll Fridays during Lent

A big thank you to all who supported the **Soup and Roll Fridays** during Lent. As a way of observing our Lenten promises to fast, pray and give alms, each Friday during Lent students and staff had the opportunity to choose a simpler lunch of soup and a bread roll by paying £1.00 to raise funds for the **Catholic Children's Society Westminster**. There was fantastic support for this great cause.



Fairtrade Fortnight 2020



Our Sixth Form Fairtrade team delivered a whole-school assembly and, in line with this year's theme of 'Chocolate', sold homemade chocolate treats on our Fairtrade stalls on both sites. Profits raised were donated to **Traid Craft** in support of farmers and producers in less economically developed countries.

Tea Party - 9th February

Many of our elderly guests braved the terrible Storm Ciara to joined us for a lovely afternoon as we held our second tea party of the year. Thanks to our entertainers from Year 9, our helpers and hosts from Year 10 and our organisers from the Yr 12 Outreach Team.

Message from the Holy Father, Pope Francis

In these difficult times, Pope Francis has led us in prayer. At a deserted St. Peter's Square on 27th March, he gave an extraordinary **Urbi et Orbi** blessing for an end to the coronavirus pandemic.

"Lord, may you bless the world, give health to our bodies and comfort our hearts. You ask us not to be afraid. Yet our faith is weak and we are fearful. But you, Lord, will not leave us at the mercy of the storm. Tell us again: 'Do not be afraid' (Mt 28:5). And we, together with Peter, 'cast all our anxieties onto you, for you care about us' (cf. 1Pet 5:7)."



It will be a very different Holy Week this year and although we cannot attend church, we can all continue to pray at home. As we remember all those who are suffering we can draw inspiration from Pope Francis' words:

"Embracing the Lord in order to embrace hope: that is the strength of faith, which frees us from fear and gives us hope."

World Book Day 2020

On Thursday 5th March we celebrated World Book Day on both sites. On the Lower Site there were some fantastic and creative costumes worn by students and staff. There was also a book swap and bookmark making that lots of our students enjoyed. Miss Dee also made, yet another, spectacular book-themed cake that was won by Charlotte Swinburne in 9J!

At the Upper Site a selected group of Year 10 students got to meet the author Non Pratt and enjoyed a lesson about how to create fictional characters. Our students were brilliant and Non told me that they were one of the most enthusiastic and creative groups she's taught! Overall, we had a fantastic day celebrating all things books! Miss Lee



Poetry Competition: Through Their Eyes 2020

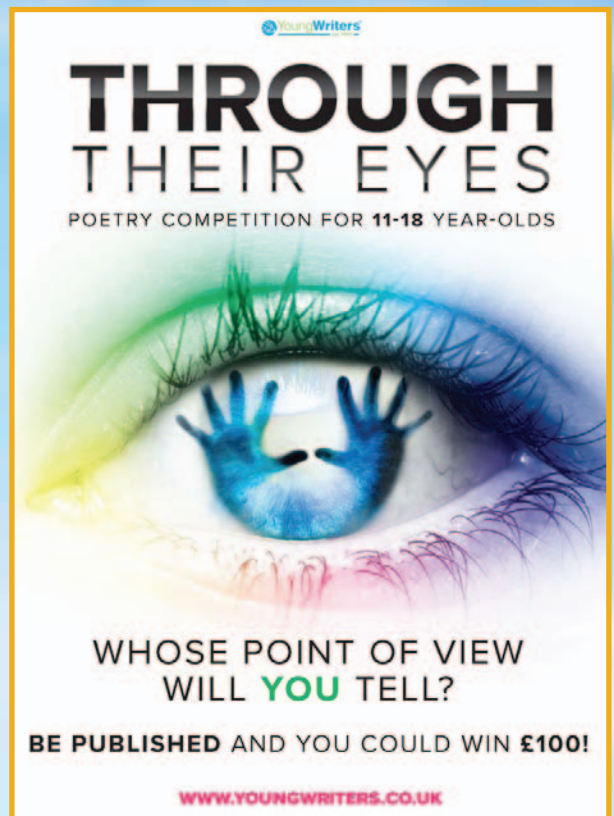
Following a great number of submissions from St. Anne's students, 16 girls have been chosen to have their poems published in the Young Writers' poetry anthology *Through Their Eyes 2020 - Inner Voices*.

There will also be an overall winner and we are expecting an announcement about that at some point during April.

Congratulations to the following students:

Year 7	Year 8
Annabel Diaz Ndisang Anna Eguasa Alexia Malaluan Amelia Malaluan Lizzie Omisore	Amarachi Ojih Aleksandra Szkolnicka Selam Taye
Year 9	Year 11
Niniola Adelaja Miriam Ezeagu Mariam Alawoad	Ozgecan Karakas Chantelle Kyei Jenny Oka Misbah Tabish Aneesa Williams

Miss Ganley



University and Apprenticeship Fair

On the evening of Wednesday 26th February, we held a University and Apprenticeship Fair at the Upper Site. This was aimed at our students in Year 9, 10, 11 and Sixth Form, along with their parents and carers. We had a good range of both university and apprenticeship providers in attendance, which made for a very successful evening.



There was a real buzz in the atmosphere with our students showing a genuine and enthusiastic interest in their future choices, in fact there was barely a prospectus left at the end of the evening! Providers were impressed by how enthusiastic and engaged our girls were and that they asked lots of questions.

Speaking to students and parents on the night, we were pleased to see that the event supported them towards making their future choices and they liked that there was a good range of both universities and apprenticeship present.

Mrs. Lee

Old Vic Project – Take the Lead!

Take the Lead was an amazing employability programme that used theatre methods and workshops to help students build on the five core skills used everyday and in the world of work: *communication, self-management, self-belief, teamwork and problem solving*. The five-week programme involved two visits to the Old Vic Workrooms in Bermondsey, one to the Old Vic Theatre to see *End Game* starring Daniel Radcliffe, and two in-school workshops.

I enjoyed the programme and would encourage others to take part in future events. It provided us with useful information about CV writing, building a company within a budget, developing confidence and interview preparation.



We heard from three guest speakers from different walks of life, who each shared inspiring stories. We were given a *Take the Lead* Prompt Book which was full of helpful information. Overall, the Old Vic Project was a fascinating experience which will help empower me to take the lead and set goals for future success.

Britney Basuama, Year 10



Ski-Trip 2020 to Nassfeld, Austria



Every time we take our students on a ski-trip, we always come away feeling this trip was the best ever and here we are again sure that this trip really was the best one ever. What a wonderful group of girls! They all worked hard and partied hard, which all goes to making it a great trip. We had perfect blue skies and good snow, so all the girls managed to progress up to skiing on a blue slope. The ski instructors were fantastic and loved teaching our girls as much as our girls loved having them as their instructors. Each day a 'Wally of the Day' was awarded for the funniest falls with Aleksandra starting the best "crowning" ceremony on record. The Quiz night was fiercely contested and our curling night was so much fun, with the bucket race being the funniest thing we have ever witnessed. As staff, we will never forget our special disco night with Ruby Ahern showing us all how to be a disco queen and Maria Duarte – well what happens on tour stays on tour! It was a sad farewell to the hotel staff and to our wonderful representative, Bujan, who very quickly became part of our team and a great friend to all of us. It really was the best trip ever! Thank you to Miss Cowley, Miss Wells and Miss Lawrence for helping makes this a safe and fun trip for all our students.

Mrs. Cowley

Computing Trip to Disneyland Paris

On 1st March, thirty St. Anne's students embarked on a journey of a lifetime to Disneyland Paris. We set off from Kings Cross St. Pancras, taking the Eurostar to Marne-la-Vallée. We arrived in France to wet weather, but it didn't dampen our excitement. We stayed at Hotel Cheyenne which gave off the illusion of a Western town – it was like being in a *Toy Story* movie! The rest of the day was then spent in the Disneyland Park on rides, stocking up on sugar and watching the breathtaking firework display (it was a bit cold, considering it was snowing half an hour before).



The next day was an early start but luckily we had a buffet breakfast to supply the energy needed for another action-packed day. We started by attending *Computing Live*, at which we listened to talks on programming, coding and cyber security and discussed the impact of emerging technologies. There were guest speakers such as Rik Ferguson, a cyber security expert, and Roberta Luca, an inspirational entrepreneur. We filled the rest of the day by meeting as many Disney characters as possible, observing the magnificent Disney parade and singing *Let It Go* in French with illuminations brightening up the sky. We capped off a great day by having a 3-course dinner at King Ludwig's Restaurant. It was one of the best trips that I've ever been on and I've made so many memories that I will never forget. **Emma O'Sullivan, Year 10**

St. Anne's Gospel Choir – What An Evening!



On Friday 13th March, an audience of 200 people sat in awe of the talent before them and praised, cheered and gave standing ovations to our Gospel Choir of 80+ students. Marsha highlighted to our audience that our Gospel Choir is more than just a school choir, it is a family, a sisterhood and a welcoming group of talented young ladies who bring so much joy to those who hear them perform.

As well as an array of Gospel Choir pieces, we had four outstanding performances:

Group: *Take Me To The King* – Aneesa Williams, Freddine Likoko, Tomi Filani (all 11A), Ivie Imafidon-Marcus (9L)

Duet: *Your Spirit* – Sammie-Jo Kadi-Menson (10A) and Janet Akerele (10L)

Solo: *Oceans* – Beth McWilliams (8F)

Duet: *When You Believe* – Ashlyne Labonne (11M) and Precious Liwala (Year 13)



We held a raffle on the evening and would like to extend our thanks to **Nissi Restaurant** in Palmers Green and **Enfield Chase Rotary Club** for donating prizes. Thank you to the Friends of St. Anne's (FOSA), who supported the evening and sold refreshments at the concert. Thank you to the staff, PSA audio-visual team and our amazing Sixth Form students who all helped to ensure that the event ran smoothly.

The evening was full of emotion and, for some members, this concert was their last performance. Since the start of our Gospel Choir, we have always been fortunate to have many committed members who have always shared their beautiful God-given talent with us, supported younger choir members and have helped our Gospel Choir to grow from strength to strength. To those girls - we will miss you dearly and thank you for all that you have given to St. Anne's and our Gospel Choir. We also had lots of newer members at the Concert including students from Year 7 who have joined most recently and who are sure to be committed members in the future.

Miss Geraci, Gospel Choir Co-ordinator

Eco-Warriors



Students studied how our produce is sourced and its environmental impact. They also learnt about different types of waste and what can and can't be recycled.

The girls spoke to Year 8s about our project and the scrapbook they created. It further explored why we need to reduce our waste and how we are to reduce the school's waste.



In other workshops, the girls made their own paper from shredded paper.



They also brought in old t-shirts to turn them into fashion accessories that they could then reuse.

We took part in a project and competition run by NLWA (North London Waste Authority) and led by EcoActive. This took place over a term, and involved students actively working to reduce waste in our school. Catia from EcoActive completed waste audits before and after the project, the idea being to gauge the reduction in school waste. The girls had to come up with inventive ideas to help reduce waste as a school, which they did happily. They got their teachers to think about if they needed to print and reused any paper that was printed on, therefore reducing the amount of paper waste. They completed a scrapbook with all their ideas of how to reduce waste.

We competed against 15 other schools in the Borough and I am delighted to announce that we came second overall. This is a great achievement and the girls are extremely proud, as I am of them. This project required a lot of hard work and dedication. I look forward to working with students to further reduce our school waste when we return to school.

Miss Cowley, Sustainability Co-ordinator








**Catia Squarcia
(Project Lead – EcoActive)**

I am very pleased to let you know that St. Anne's has been selected to be awarded Second Place in the London Borough of Enfield for your brilliant performance and commitment!

St. Anne's has shown a substantial decrease of their waste between the beginning and the end of the programme and your scrapbook was brilliant in its creativity, and demonstration of engagement in implementing change, and action taken to improve waste management and sustainability in your school community.

Tenner Challenge

We teamed up with Young Enterprise for the Tenner Challenge with our Year 9 students. We received a great response from the year group, receiving applications from 23 teams! Teams applied by submitting a business plan, thinking about how to make a profit and make a difference. Only five teams could be chosen to go through, and these are listed below:

Team	Team Members	Business (Selling / Charity)
A	Grace Corcoran 9T, Patricia Marciniak 9T, Holly Macmurdie 9T, Magdalena Kruczek 9T, Rianne Tabiadillo 9T	Scrabble Letter Key Rings and Bookmarks Supporting: Young Minds 
B	Niniola Adelaja 9F, Jessica Botchway 9F, Lilibeth Kwae 9F, Tracy Boateng-Frimpong 9J	<i>Culture:</i> Cultural Food, <i>Cravings:</i> Sweets & Fruit, <i>Care:</i> Beauty Products and <i>Crafts:</i> Mother's Day Gifts Supporting: Cancer Research UK 
C	Sophia Bellicardi 9L, Jessica Bowyer 9L, Alessia Pini 9L, Hanna Siwec 9L, Claudia Montella 9L, Shannon Mabena 9L	Milkshakes, Popcorn, Sweets – Pic 'n' Mix and After School Movie Nights Supporting: Make a Wish UK 
D	Lola Suarez 9J, Annabel Hart 9J, Chloe Elvin 9J, Dolly Bishop-Laggett 9L, Grace Rogan 9J	Thingamabobs Emergency Kits, Bracelets and Mother's Day Cakes Supporting: RSPCA 
E	Juanita Nwokeji 9M, Stephanie Agyare 9M, Corneile Nkengi 9M, Margaret Agyekum 9M, Alfreda Lawson 9M, Daniella Graham-Wilberforce 9M	<i>Break:</i> Accessories & Sweet Treats <i>Lunch:</i> Cultural Food Meal Deals Supporting: Save the Children Africa 



Each team received a start-up loan of £50 and were tasked to prepare their products to sell over two designated days in school. Each team also chose a charity to donate half of their profits to and the remaining profit can be spent on a team activity, divided or invested.

Although the challenge was cut short due to school closing, each team was able to trade once, with some teams completing both of their days. Each team did a fantastic job on Marketing and Advertising, and were great when pitching to Lower Site students.

All teams worked extremely hard and displayed great skills. We are yet to do the final count, but all teams have done a fantastic job.

Miss Geraci,
Marketing & Special Projects Officer

Free School Meals – Does Your Daughter Qualify?

Perhaps your personal financial position has changed – especially in the current circumstances. Together with the Government we are able to offer financial support to your family as an equivalent to your daughter(s) eating in school at lunchtime. Below is a list of criteria for qualifying. You only have to meet one of these to qualify.

- ◆ Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400
- ◆ Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual gross income of no more than £16,190
- ◆ Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for working Tax Credit)
- ◆ Income Support
- ◆ Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- ◆ Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- ◆ Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- ◆ The guarantee element of Pension Credit

Should you wish to fill in an application form – or just talk it through then email finance@st-annes.enfield.sch.uk or leave a message on 020-8920-5228 with your contact number and daughter's name. You can also use these contacts if your daughter(s) already receive Free School Meals and you have any questions or comments or to let us know if you aren't receiving Messenger/Xpressions emails or texts. All enquiries are dealt with in strictest confidence.

Mr Goldbart, School Business Manager

Our School Fund

We are living through challenging times and the Governing Body would like to say a big 'thank you' to all the families who have donated to this Fund. If you have not yet donated but would like to you can still make a contribution – the suggested minimum contribution is **£96** per family (not per student). Smaller contributions are also very valuable to us as together we strive to meet our target of **£60,000**. **£19,500** has so far been donated this year.



The Governing Body understands the difficulties that many of us face. However, it still has to pay the bills for heating, drainage, refurbishments and playground work as the Government only gives us nine-tenths of the cost.

You can currently contribute through ParentPay (via any device that can get onto the internet), by telephone 020-8920-5228 or email finance@st-annes.enfield.sch.uk to pay with a Credit/Debit Card or set up a Direct Debit.

Best wishes from The Governing Body

A Message from the School's Governing Body

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we live in very uncertain times, on behalf of The Governing Body I want to wish and hope that you and your families remain safe and well from this dreadful virus.

Three weeks ago we were probably all berating technology and how our children were constantly locked into it. How grateful we are today that our children can continue learning by using this medium, totally supported by the dedication of their teachers. Governors really appreciate that our children's teachers have gone above and beyond their call of duty to support their learning experience and continue to embrace them in the community of St. Anne's.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a happy, safe and Holy Easter as we all look forward in the Easter message of hope to the day when St Anne's can come together again as a School.

John Donnelly, Chair of Governors

Key Stage 3 – Spring Term Activities

Along with all of the hard work this term, KS3 students were also able to join in a number of other activities, including Inter-Form Netball competitions, World Book Day, Soup and Roll Fridays, Sports Relief, Tenner Challenge Student Businesses, Cardio-Tennis Club and Science Club, to name but a few.

We had assemblies delivered by our amazing Safer Schools Officer, PC White, who advised us how best to stay safe in the community, and Emma Rigby from the *Love Your Doorstep* team, who explained how their volunteers patrol the streets of Enfield and protect young people on their way home from school. We thank them for the support they continue to give to those in our community.



Our Year 9 students have been choosing their preferred subjects to study at GCSE for when they move to the Upper Site in September. These can be difficult choices to make and some students will find the process more straightforward than others do, but all girls are being supported in their choices and we are sure they will make the right decisions.

We wish all of our Students, Parents and Carers a very Happy Easter.

Mr Maguire, Mrs Cheeseman,
Ms Lawrence & Mrs Savin

The Latest from Key Stage 4

It's been a busy time for all in Key Stage 4, with controlled assessments and Pre-Public Exams being a big focus. Students have impressed with their effort and commitment to learning. We congratulate Year 11 students for their excellent focus and conduct during their recent PPEs. They are wonderful role models for the Year 10 students.

Achievement Points

This term the following girls received the most achievement points effort, dedication and hard work at school. Well done, girls!

Year 10	Year 11
Maria Cegodaru	Nafeesa Islam
Manuela Geshtenja	Caitlin Cross
Taliese Thomas	Blessing Kitoko
Amenze Uhumuavbi	Freddine Likoko
Cristivie Kasongo	Ozgecan Karakas
Scarlett O'Donnell	Laureen-Ashley Kamagni Djissi
Alannah O'Farrell	Lilly Ogugba
Chinememma Ozor	Angelica Hoyos
Benis Dimundu Banda	Elizabeth Edusi-Okoibhole
Kasey Tatham	Lucy Vandy
Top Forms	
10M	11F

It was lovely to see the Year 11 GCSE Music and Drama performances, which were of a very high standard, as were the end cuisines by the Food Tech students!

Some Year 10 students were lucky to visit Oxford University as guests of St. Peter's College. They met with students, were treated to lunch and visited the Ashmolean Museum to view the exhibits – a great insight into university life at Oxford.

Finally, we would like to wish our students and you, their parents and carers, a very Happy Easter. Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Chin, Mrs Jones
and Mr Delaney

News from the Sixth Form

Sixth Formers hit the Spring term running! We had two weeks of PPEs, Year 13s had to meet UCAS deadlines and our Year 12s started mentoring Year 11s with a vengeance. However, as always, all the students met these challenges head-on and with maturity. The Year 12 Fair Trade Team have been working hard every week to promote this very worthy charity.



University Taster Trips: Miss Yiannakas had the pleasure of taking these future geniuses to Oxford University (see photo, above).

Sports Relief was the first charity of the year and Maia and Kyla (Year 13) had the great idea to challenge Year 10 and Year 11 to a netball match! We won't reveal the scores but will congratulate Year 10 on being the winning team, showing fantastic netball skills and wonderful team spirit. It was great fun with all of KS4 and KS5 hoping for a regular lunchtime tournament plus we raised money for this wonderful charity.

Walk/Run in the Park: Mrs Ferros came up with the wonderful idea to keep Year 12s fit on Friday afternoon, with a run or a walk in Grovelands Park. It was a perfect day for a stroll and we were very impressed with the fitness shown by Year 12s. However, Clarabelle and Gemma earned the title of "mean girls" for sprinting off every time Mrs. Cowley thought she had reached a landmark! This lady doesn't get angry, she gets even – so be ready for the return run ladies!

Despite our term being cut short, it feels like we crammed a lot into it. We all enjoy working with you and getting to know you more and more every day. We are privileged to work with such wonderful, strong and independent young women and look forward to working together in the near future. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

Ms Vevers, Ms Yiannakas and Mrs. Cowley

Head Girl Team

This term we have had the pleasure of working on a number of projects with students across the whole school. Our highlights include:

- ◆ Year 8 & 9 Disco with St Ignatius. We worked closely with their Captaincy team and supported the DJ and managed the Refreshments Stall.
- ◆ Our Valentine's Fundraiser in aid of the Australian Wildfires. We ran a **Guess the name of the Koala** competition, revealed as **Chuck** and guessed correctly by Frankie in 10J. We also organized an Upper Site lunchtime concert filled with singing and dancing, helping to raise £90 for the Australian Red Cross.
- ◆ Supporting the Gospel Choir Concert with Year 12 Senior Prefects
- ◆ Growing Girls: our Upper Site weekly sessions, debating current topics.



The project I am most proud of this term is the launch of the Year 11 Mentoring Programme which received a fantastic response. Over a 100 Year 11s signed up to be supported by a Year 12 in a subject they wanted additional help with and have been attending weekly sessions, before school and at lunch time sessions.

Although the Year 11s may not be taking exams any more, it was amazing to see the dedication they all had towards their studies as well as the aid they got from Year 12s. It just goes to show the true sisterhood at St. Anne's, where we all want to see each other succeed. I'm so grateful to all of Year 12 Students who gave up time to support my team and me with this project.

Rhian Keady, Head Girl



Calling All Students! Let's Stay Connected.

Have some fun and get involved in the Head Girl Team **TikTok Challenge**. Choose one of the following dances and send them into us. We will compile them and share a collection with you.



Choose from:

'The Weekend' or 'Something New'

Send us your videos by: Friday 17th April 2020

Email the Head Girl Team at HGT@st-annes.enfield.sch.uk
or use WeTransfer.com and the email address above to forward them on.

*By submitting a video, you are giving us permission to share it in our compilations.
We look forward to seeing your videos!*



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