

ST. ANNE'S
CATHOLIC
HIGH SCHOOL

Spring
2026

The Review

'Act justly, love tenderly, walk humbly with your God'

Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

As we approach the joy and hope of Easter, I am very pleased to share this latest edition of *The Review* with you. The past term has been an incredibly busy and rewarding one, and as I reflect on all that has taken place, I am filled with a deep sense of pride in our Learning Family. Each day, it is a privilege to see our students engaging so fully in the life of St. Anne's School — in their learning, in the many opportunities beyond the classroom, and in the way they support and encourage one another.

I have been particularly struck by the way each year group has embraced its place within our community. Our students show great care for one another and a genuine desire to contribute positively to the life of the school. Whether through their commitment to their studies, their participation in events and activities, or their involvement in charitable work and service, they demonstrate maturity, kindness and a strong sense of responsibility. It is a joy to see our young people growing not only academically, but also as compassionate and thoughtful members of our community.

At this time of year, as we prepare to celebrate Easter, we are reminded of the heart of our faith: the love shown to us through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, who gave His life for us on the Cross and rose again so that we might have new life and hope. In the midst of the busyness of school life, this message calls us back to what truly matters — faith, compassion, forgiveness and service to others.

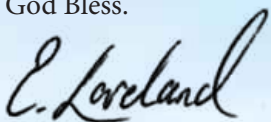
As Pope Leo XIII wrote, "*The Cross is the fountain of all blessings and the cause of all graces.*" These words remind us that through Christ's sacrifice comes the hope and renewal that sustain us. It is this spirit of hope and generosity that we seek to nurture in our students as they grow into young people who will make a positive difference in the world.

I would also like to thank our parents, carers, governors and our parishes for the continued support they give to St. Anne's. The strength of our community lies in the partnership between home, school and Church, and we are grateful for the encouragement and guidance that help our students flourish.

I hope you enjoy reading about the many achievements and experiences captured in this edition. They are a wonderful reflection of the talent, commitment and spirit of our students and staff.

Wishing you and your families a peaceful and blessed Easter.

God Bless.



Mrs Loveland, Headteacher



Staff we are saying Goodbye to this Term

Ms Akarovwe — Cover Manager

Best of luck with your new role.
We will miss you.

Ms McIndoo — Teacher of RE

Wishing you well with your future plans.

Ms Parker — Finance Officer / First Aider

Best of luck with your new role.
They are lucky to have you.

*We give our thanks for all they have done for
St. Anne's and wish them well for whatever
God has chosen for them.*

The Catholic Life of the School

A Message from the Chaplain

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

As we come to the end of this Spring Term, a time marked by deep reflection during Lent, I want to take a moment to reflect on the important educational and spiritual experiences we have shared together as a school community.

The term began with an opportunity for our students to participate in the **Holocaust Memorial Day Online Learning Event**, helping them engage with the important lessons of history and remember those who suffered and died in the Holocaust.

A key highlight this term was the **Year 8 Retreat Day** on 22nd January, when our students took part in **Rise Theatre's *The Happiness Show*** retreat at the Enfield Campus. It was a wonderful day of spiritual growth, reflection, and fun, encouraging students to explore their faith and values in a creative and engaging way.

Similarly, our **Year 11 and Year 13 retreats**, marked by the **Rise Theatre's Passion Play Performance** on 25th February, were another powerful experience for our students. This dynamic performance helped them engage with the Lenten themes of sacrifice, redemption, and faith, providing an opportunity to reflect on the meaning of Christ's passion.

This term, we also offered several **Reconciliation services** for KS3 students as part of our Lenten journey, with Year 7, 8, and 9 students engaging in the sacrament of Reconciliation. This was an important time of renewal and peace for many in our school community, as we all reflect on our relationships with God and with each other.

Our Lenten Activities Programme continued to bring students together in prayer, reflection, and action. From **Stations of the Cross for Year 10** in our Chapel to **SiLENT for Lent**, where students paused for daily reflection, the term has been a time of deep spiritual engagement. We are grateful to all who took part, making this season of Lent a truly transformative experience.

A special note of gratitude goes to everyone who supported our **Soup & Roll Lenten Appeal for the Catholic Children's Society Westminster**. Whether through donations, preparing soups, or simply joining in our community lunches, your generosity has made a real difference to those in need.

Finally, the **End of Term Masses** for both campuses were an opportunity to give thanks for the blessings of the term and prepare for the season of Easter.

This term also provided us with the privilege of participating in a significant moment for the wider Catholic community. On 5th February, we joined the wider community in bidding farewell to **His Eminence Cardinal Vincent Nichols**, and just a week later, we were present for the installation of the **Most Reverend Richard Moth** as the new Archbishop of Westminster. It was a moving experience for both students and staff to witness these historic events, and I am grateful for the students who represented our school at these services. We thank Cardinal Nichols for his years of service and leadership, and we extend our prayers and best wishes to Archbishop Moth as he takes on this important role.

As we approach Easter, let us continue to reflect on the lessons of Lent and the journey of Christ. May this Easter bring you peace and joy, and may we continue to grow together in faith, hope, and love as we move forward into the Summer Term.

With warm blessings,
Mr La Barbera, School Lay Chaplain



A Historic Occasion: St. Anne's at the Installation Mass of the Most Reverend Richard Moth, Archbishop of Westminster

Westminster Cathedral, 14 February 2026

On Saturday 14th February 2026, St. Anne's Catholic High School was honoured to be represented at one of the most significant events in the recent life of the Catholic Church in England: the Installation Mass of the Most Reverend Richard Moth as the new Archbishop of Westminster. Mrs Danneau-Joyce, Assistant Headteacher, attended alongside three of our students, and together they witnessed a moment of profound beauty, history and faith at the heart of our Church.



The Most Reverend Richard Moth, the new Archbishop of Westminster during his installation Mass



Our students entering Westminster Cathedral ahead of the Installation Mass

A Personal Invitation

The occasion was made all the more special by the fact that each member of our St. Anne's party had received a personal invitation to attend.

To be invited to such a landmark celebration in the life of the Diocese of Westminster was a true privilege — a recognition of St. Anne's enduring commitment to Catholic life and our deep roots within our local faith community.



The personal invitation received by members of our St Anne's party

A Cathedral Full of Faith

Westminster Cathedral was filled to capacity for the occasion. Among the congregation were over 100 priests and deacons from across the Diocese of Westminster — a visible sign of the unity and breadth of our Church. We were delighted to see among them the priests from our own school's parish church, Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St George, whose familiar presence gave our students a wonderful sense of connection to a much larger community of faith.



The magnificent interior of Westminster Cathedral filled with the faithful for the Installation Mass



Father Daniel from Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St George's, our school Church

Singing Together as One

The liturgy was sublime. Led by the cathedral's tremendous choirs, the music lifted the entire congregation in worship. Our group sang joyfully alongside the choir and congregation — guided by the beautifully produced Mass booklets that had been prepared for the occasion. These will become a treasured keepsake and reminder of a truly unforgettable day.

Discovering Treasures at St. Paul's

After the Mass, our group had the joy of visiting St. Paul's Christian bookshop, situated just beside the cathedral. There they browsed its rich collection of books, gifts and resources — a perfect way to round off a day steeped in faith and culture, and an opportunity for our students to discover the wider world of Catholic literature and tradition.



The beautifully produced booklet which guided our singing



Exploring the treasures at St. Paul's bookshop, next to the Cathedral



For our students, this was far more than a school trip. It was a living encounter with their faith — a day when the words of our motto, *“Act Justly, Love Tenderly, Walk Humbly with your God,”* were made tangible in the grandeur of a cathedral filled with prayer, music and joy. We congratulate Archbishop Richard Moth on his installation and look forward to the ways in which his leadership will guide and inspire our school community in the years ahead.

Start of Spring Term Masses

We were blessed to begin the Spring Term with two beautiful Masses. The theme of these celebrations focused on making a fresh start and consecrating the new year to God. It's the perfect moment to reflect on the spiritual journey ahead and commit ourselves to growing in faith. The theme, "A New Beginning: Walking in the Light of Christ," inspired us to approach this term with renewed hearts.

At **Palmers Green Campus**, Fr. Sean from St. Monica's Parish led us in prayer, while at Enfield Campus, Fr. Daniel from Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. George celebrated with us. These Masses were an uplifting way to start the term, offering a time of reflection, prayer, and joyful song. We are grateful to everyone who helped make these moments of worship so meaningful.

Rise Theatre Year 8 Retreat Day

On Thursday 22nd January, Year 8 students at **Enfield Campus** participated in a retreat led by **RISE Theatre**, a professional Christian theatre company. The retreat, called *The Happiness Show*, was a lively and engaging day designed to help students reflect on faith, happiness, and purpose.

Through drama, group discussions and interactive activities, students explored how God invites us to experience life to the fullest. This retreat provided a unique opportunity for spiritual growth and personal reflection, encouraging students to think deeply about their faith and the joy that comes from living in alignment with God's calling.

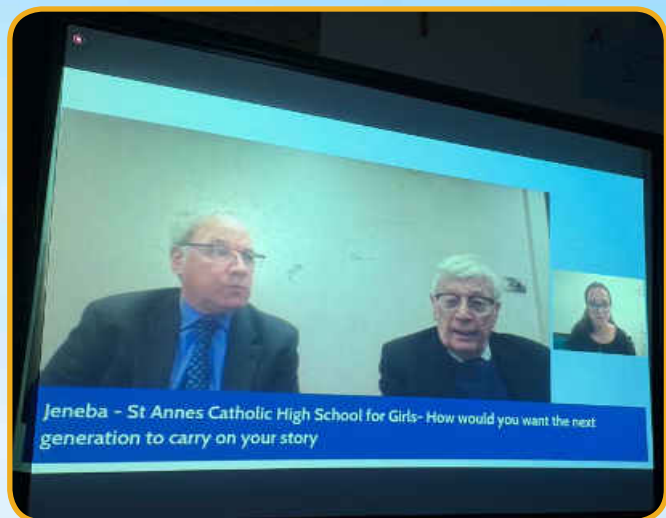


Holocaust Memorial Day Online Learning Event

On 27th January, a group of our students attended the **Holocaust Memorial Day Online Learning Event**, hosted by **The Anne Frank Trust UK**. This powerful event featured Holocaust survivor Max Snijders, who shared his personal story of survival and resilience.



Max's story was a reminder of the horrors of the Holocaust and the importance of standing against prejudice and discrimination. The event was a poignant way for our students to reflect on the past and reaffirm their commitment to justice and peace. We are grateful for the opportunity to participate in this important learning experience.



SiLENT for Lent

We introduced **SiLENT for Lent** this year as a way for students to engage more deeply with the spiritual purpose of Lent. Each day at **12.30pm**, students paused for two minutes of silent reflection. This practice helped create a moment of stillness in the busy school day, allowing students to reflect on their actions and connect with God.

This simple yet powerful practice was a beautiful way to foster peace and focus during Lent. At the end of the season, students who participated will receive a badge as a reminder of their journey through this sacred time. It's our hope that the habit of taking time for silence will continue to enrich our students' lives.

Year 11 & Year 13 Retreats: RISE Theatre's Passion Play Performance

On 25th February 2026, we were fortunate to host RISE Theatre for a special Passion Play performance for our Year 11 and Year 13 students. This powerful theatre performance brought the story of Christ's Passion to life, providing a deep and reflective experience for our students.

Through this performance, students had the opportunity to reflect on the central themes of Lent — faith, sacrifice, and redemption — while engaging with the gospel message in a meaningful way. This event was part of our annual retreats programme and was a spiritually enriching experience for all who attended.



Lenten Activities Programme

Our school was pleased to offer a variety of **Lenten activities** to help students deepen their faith and engage with the season. These included:

- **Bible Study and Lenten Reflection** — Lunchtime: Weekly meetings for reflection and prayer during lunch on both campuses.
- **Prayers for World Justice and Peace:** Students and staff gathered to pray for those suffering from conflict and injustice around the world, particularly those affected by war and persecution.
- **Silent Reflection Time in the Chapel with Adoration:** A peaceful time for prayer and reflection every Thursday, open to both staff and students.
- **Lenten Music and Prayer Meditation:** A serene musical meditation during morning break to help students connect spiritually in the midst of their busy day.

These activities provided meaningful ways for our community to come together and live out the Lenten call to prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

KS3 Reconciliation Service – Lent 2026

This year, our **KS3 students** received the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** during Lent. This sacrament provided a valuable opportunity for reflection, repentance, and spiritual renewal as students prepared for the Easter season.

It was a deeply moving experience for all involved, and we are grateful that through the seasons of **Advent** and **Lent**, we've been able to offer this sacrament to all students, allowing them to draw closer to God through reconciliation and grace.

Soup & Roll Lenten Appeal for CCSW

This year, our **Lenten Appeal for Catholic Children's Society Westminster (CCSW)** was marked by the latest of our famous and popular **Soup & Roll Lunches**, where students donated £1.00 per day for a simple lunch of soup and a roll. This initiative has proven itself to be a powerful way to live out the Lenten practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

We would like to extend a special thank you to everyone who contributed to making this initiative such a resounding success at both our Enfield and Palmers Green campuses — whether through donations, support, participation or preparation of lunches. Your generosity has truly made a difference. We are also deeply grateful to all those who volunteered their time to help prepare the soups each week. Together, we raised a significant amount for CCSW, whose work continues to make a real impact in the lives of vulnerable children.

Students provide tasty Soup & Roll Lunches at the school's Enfield Campus (above) and the Palmers Green Campus (right)



Year 10 Stations of the Cross in our Chapel

As part of our **Lenten journey**, **Year 10** students gathered in the **Palmers Green Campus Chapel** to pray the **Stations of the Cross**. This time-honoured tradition allowed students to reflect on the last hours of Jesus' life, leading up to His death and resurrection.

Each Form group, led by their RE teachers, was given the chance to engage with this ancient practice, offering a moment for prayer and reflection. It was a profound way to come together as a community and prepare spiritually for Easter.

Mass for Saint Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary

On **Thursday 19th March**, our **KS3 students** joined the local community to celebrate the **Solemnity of Saint Joseph**, the husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This Mass was a wonderful opportunity for students to reflect on the life and faith of Saint Joseph and to pray together as a school family. After Mass, students participated in the **Stations of the Cross**, reflecting on Christ's journey during Lent.

It was a beautiful moment of prayer and unity, reminding us all of the importance of faith, humility, and service.

End of Spring Term & Lenten Masses

As the Spring Term draws to a close, we gathered for **special Masses** at both campuses to give thanks for the blessings of the term and to prepare for the coming Easter season. These Masses provided a time of reflection and prayer, offering students a chance to express gratitude for all they have experienced and learned this term.

Thanks to all the talented students who enriched our worship experience with their voices, readings and instrumental contributions. We are grateful for everyone's participation, making these Masses a fitting end to a meaningful and spiritually fulfilling term.

St. Anne's Patronage News

The Patronage system at St. Anne's consists of six amazing women in the Catholic church. Each year group is affiliated with one of these fantastic leaders. The aim is to celebrate their stories, and take inspiration from their selfless acts and bring these into our every day lives. At the heart of this, is our charity work. We are SO proud of the awareness we have highlighted for different charities and the money we have raised for them.

Up to the end of Spring term, we have seen four of our six Feast Fortnight celebrations. First up were Year 8 in October, then Year 10 in November, Year 11 in January and Year 13 in March. Celebrating the gifts and special qualities of St. Teresa of Calcutta, St. Catherine of Alexandria, St. Elizabeth Seton and Sister Thea Bowman respectively. Pupils in those year groups participated in many activities organised by their patron leads Mr Gillespie, Miss Dickson, Ms Payne and Mrs Adeleke.

In October, we also had a special drop-down lesson for the whole school, where each year group learnt more about their patron, their lives and their commitment to God. Please enjoy reading about the activities that took place.

Year 8 Feast Fortnight, 13th-23rd October 2025



To begin the celebrations, students gathered in the hall to learn more about their patron saint. They also took part in a special drop-down lesson exploring the theme associated with **St. Teresa — Charity**. Throughout the fortnight, a variety of activities were organised, all of which were well supported by our Year 8 community. Form Prefects led a successful fundraising initiative, selling Krispy Kreme doughnuts at break and lunchtime to raise money for our chosen charity, **YoungMinds** (a mental health charity for children). Students also enjoyed a dedicated **Year 8 Dress Down Day**, which added to the sense of fun and celebration.

A wide range of lunchtime and after-school events helped make the fortnight memorable, including Board Games in the Hall, Karaoke, Soca Jump Up/Zumba, and a Movie Night. The enthusiasm and participation shown by the students truly captured the spirit of St. Teresa's message of charity and community.



Year 10 Feast Fortnight Celebrations



Year 10 students enjoyed a fortnight dedicated to conjuring courage and developing new skills, as per their patron **Catherine of Alexandria's** theme. To begin with, they examined female empowerment through a lively debate that encouraged empathetic listening and careful consideration of alternative perspectives. Later in the week, we held a speaking competition at **Enfield Council Chambers**, inspired by the work of **The Malala Fund** (our chosen charity). Students expressed their convictions with striking clarity and celebrated one another's voices in a powerful and supportive environment. Meanwhile, a donut sale helped raise money, linking local enthusiasm to global educational aims. We managed to raise over **£142!** Finally, during **Wellbeing Wednesday**, students composed thoughtful courage pledges that prompted meaningful reflection on personal resilience. Together, these experiences fostered purposeful curiosity and nurtured a shared sense of moral responsibility. Thank you to everyone who contributed and supported.



Year 11 and Sixth Form Feast Fortnight Celebrations



Year 11's Feast Fortnight, led by Ms Payne, raised over **£110** for **The Teenage Cancer Trust** with their donut sales! And the Sixth Form's Feast Fortnight, led by Mrs Adeleke, managed to raise over **£100** through donut sales and a raffle for **The National Autistic Society!** Due to the generosity of our girls (both in helping at events and purchasing tickets/donuts), staff and parents we have managed to raise over **£450** so far this year alone for our chosen charities!

"A person's true wealth is the good they do in this world"

Fire Drills



This week, students and staff at both our Enfield and Palmers Green campuses demonstrated calm, safe and highly organised evacuations during our fire drills. From swift responses to clear routines, it was great to see everyone taking responsibility and working together to ensure a safe environment for all.

These moments matter. They reflect the strong culture we continue to build around safety, readiness and collective responsibility across our school community.

A big thank you to all students and staff for your cooperation and professionalism.

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St. Anne's Gospel Choir

Another Stunning Concert!



What an unforgettable evening! On Friday 13th March, an audience of more than two hundred sat in awe of the incredible talent on stage, applauding, cheering and rising to their feet in celebration of our Gospel Choir of more than 80 students from Year 7 to 13. It was an evening of genuine praise and worship, where students did more than sing; they ministered. They moved every person in the room through their unity, unwavering love and deep commitment to glorifying God, which is a rare and powerful gift.

Marsha, our conductor, reminded the audience that our Gospel Choir is far more than a school choir — it is a family, a sisterhood and a warm, welcoming community of gifted young women who bring joy not only to those who hear them perform, but also to everyone who works alongside them.

As well as our Gospel Choir pieces, we were gifted with eight outstanding performances:

- Duet: *Oceans* – Jeneba & Nina
- Duet: *Get Happy/Happy Days Are Here Again* – Angella & Veira
- Group: *The Blessing* – Ashanti, Megan & Ola
- Solo: *Anytime You Need a Friend* – Alvyna
- Solo: *His Eye is On the Sparrow* – Tamia
- Duet: *Can't Give Up Now* – Felicia & Jiliany
- Group: *Oh Blessed and Highly Favoured* – Antonian, Beverly, Isabel & Zion
- Solo: *More Than Anything* – Shekinah

We were honoured to have Ms Karen Gibson MBE in the audience, who founded our Gospel Choir 15 years ago. Since its beginning, our Choir has been blessed with dedicated members who have generously shared their God-given talents, supported one another and helped the choir flourish. A heartfelt thank you to the alumni who returned to support us. They have helped shape the choir's exceptional standard, spirit, unity and sound creating what we proudly call the heartbeat of our school.



The evening was deeply moving, and for some members it marked their final performance with the choir. To those leaving us: you will be greatly missed, and we thank you for everything you have contributed to St. Anne's and to our Gospel Choir.

We extend our sincere thanks to the Friends of St. Anne's (FOSA) for their support and for providing refreshments on the night. Our gratitude also goes to the St. Anne's staff, the PSA Audio & Visual Team, and our wonderful Sixth Form and Year 10 students, whose hard work ensured the smooth running of the event.

KS4 Students Celebrate World Poetry Day



In celebration of World Poetry Day on March 21st, Years 10 and 11 enjoyed a special gathering, where teachers from a range of subjects shared their favourite poem. Students saw first-hand that poetry has the power to shape, illuminate and examine our lives. The selected writings celebrated nature, love, memory and cultures and staff shared personal and important memories from their own lives that affected the way they enjoyed the written work. Whether being read for fun, for a moment of peace, to celebrate a wedding or to reflect on a long life well lived, poetry has an awesome power.



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World Poetry Day 21st March

“Practised throughout history - in every culture and on every continent - poetry speaks to our common humanity and our shared values, transforming the simplest of poems into a powerful catalyst for dialogue and peace.”

i carry your heart with me (i carry it in)

e. e. cummings (1894-1962)

i carry your heart with me(i carry it in
my heart)i am never without it(anywhere
i go you go,my dear;and whatever is done
by only me is your doing,my darling)

i fear

no fate(for you are my fate,my sweet)i want
no world(for beautiful you are my world,my true)
and it's you are whatever a moon has always meant
and whatever a sun will always sing is you

here is the deepest secret nobody knows
(here is the root of the root and the bud of the bud
and the sky of the sky of a tree called life;which
grows
higher than soul can hope or mind can hide)
and this is the wonder that's keeping the stars apart

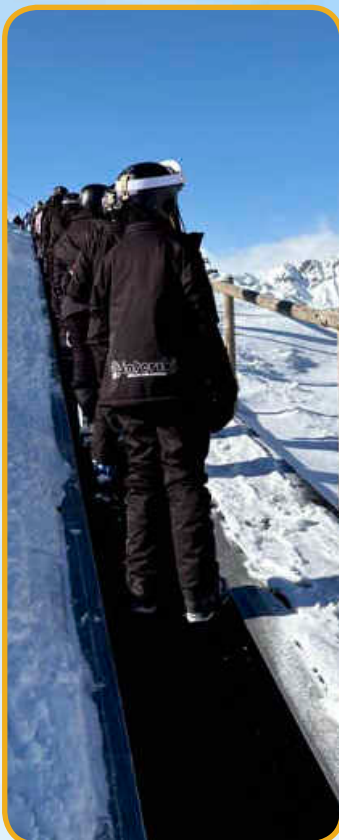
i carry your heart(i carry it in my heart)

Mrs. Loveland's favourite poem — *I Carry Your Heart With Me (I Carry It In)*

Ski Trip to Cerler, Spain



Our school ski trip with Interski to Cerler, Spain, during the February half term was an unforgettable experience from start to finish. The journey itself felt like part of the adventure. We began with a ferry crossing from Dover to Calais, which gave everyone a chance to relax, explore the deck and enjoy the sea views before the long journey ahead. From Calais, we continued with an overnight coach drive through France and into the Spanish Pyrenees. Although it was a long trip, the excitement kept spirits high and arriving to the sight of the mountains made it completely worthwhile.



Once we reached our hotel in Cerler, we quickly headed to the ski hire shop to get fitted for boots and skis. This was an exciting moment as it made everything feel very real. Afterwards, we enjoyed a wonderful lunch before heading back to the hotel to unpack and relax in our rooms, taking in the beautiful surroundings and preparing for the days ahead.

From Monday through to Friday, we were out on the slopes each day, making the most of every opportunity to ski. Monday marked our first day, where the group split into smaller ski groups and met their instructors. Whether beginners or more experienced skiers, all students were challenged appropriately and supported throughout the week. The progression was outstanding — confidence grew rapidly, techniques improved significantly and, by the end of the trip, the girls were able to explore the whole mountain, which was an incredible achievement.



Each evening brought a different après-ski activity, which added even more fun to the trip. We enjoyed pizza night, churros night, a town tour, and a presentation evening to celebrate everyone's progress. These activities were a great way to unwind after a full day on the slopes and brought everyone closer together. The food throughout the trip was excellent, with plenty of variety and consistently high quality.

One of the highlights of the trip was undoubtedly the setting. The mountain views were absolutely stunning, and we were incredibly lucky with the weather. Clear blue skies and bright sunshine made for perfect skiing conditions and allowed us to fully appreciate the beauty of the Pyrenees.

Overall, the trip was a huge success. All students were exceptionally well behaved and showed fantastic determination, with remarkable progress in their skiing abilities by the end of the week. It was a memorable experience filled with fun, achievement, and breathtaking scenery — one that will be talked about for a long time to come. Thank you to the Incredible teachers who came and supported the students on the trip.





Jack Petchey Award Winners

Congratulations to the following students who are our recent **Jack Petchey Award Winners**. These awards are given to students in recognition for making a valuable contribution to our school community:

- Meleka, Year 8
- Ruya, Year 9
- Anhelina, Year 11
- Nicole, Year 13
- Natalia, Year 10
- Iga, Year 10
- Claudia, Year 9
- **Leader Award: Mr Delaney, Assistant Headteacher**



Each award winner was presented with a certificate in recognition of their achievements. They were also given a fund of £300 to spend on a project or department of their choice in school.

All award winners attended the **Enfield Borough Jack Petchey Celebration Evening** on Thursday 12th March at the Millfield Theatre and were presented with their medallions. It was a pleasure to also see some of our students' collecting awards for contributions and commitment to their local youth and sports clubs. Well done to Olivia (Year 9), Soliana and Gabriella (both Year 10) — a proud evening for St. Anne's all round.

Congratulations to all our brilliant award winners!

Jack Petchey Speak Out Challenge Regional Final



On Tuesday 20th January, St. Anne's hosted the annual **Jack Petchey Speak Out Challenge Regional Final**, where many of Enfield's Year 10 students came together to take part in the competition to find Enfield Region's **Speak Out Challenge** Finalist. The event showcased original speeches by young people that highlighted their unique perspective and passion for a subject of their choice.

Three of our own Year 10 students, Emily, Nia and Amelia, all took part with Nia coming 3rd place in the competition. We were honoured to host the event and have one of our students on the Judging Panel — Helena (Year 11) was a runner up at last year's event so was able to impart some advice to each of the contestants.

Thank you to MP Bambos Charalambous for attending and huge congratulations to Nia and everyone who took part.



Year 7 Trip to The Guardian Offices

Year 7 had a wonderful time visiting the offices of *The Guardian* in Kings Cross earlier this term.

The students took part in the **Behind the Headlines** workshop, and worked in pairs to take on the roles of reporters and editors in a digital-first newsroom. They learnt how to use a web-based app created by *Guardian* developers and they research, and write their own news stories, make editorial decisions about what to feature on a news landing page, and complete their work to a tight deadline.

The workshop was truly valuable and enjoyable experience for our students!



Zero Responder Workshop: Life-Saving Skills

Twenty Year 13 students recently took part in a powerful and practical workshop known as **Zero Responder**, delivered in partnership with **Tottenham Hotspur Football Club (THFC)** and the organisation **Your Stance**. The session focused on students with essential life-saving skills they may need if they are first on the scene of an emergency.

The workshop introduced students to critical techniques such as CPR (chest compressions) and Basic Life Support (BLS), as well as how to effectively use bleed control kits. Students also learned how to create and apply a tourniquet — an essential skill in situations involving severe bleeding, such as knife-related injuries.

Throughout the session, students were fully engaged, demonstrating enthusiasm and a strong willingness to learn. Such sessions highlight the importance of empowering young people with the knowledge and confidence to act quickly and potentially save lives.



Developing New Skills

Valentine Biscuit Making Session, Monday 9th February 2026



Students in Key Stage 3 took part in a Baking Session ahead of Valentine's Day, where they had the opportunity to develop a range of practical and creative skills. During the session, they learned not only how to follow a recipe accurately and safely, but also how to prepare and handle dough with confidence. They practised shaping techniques by forming the dough into heart designs.

They explored their creativity when decorating their finished cookies, adding their favourite sweets. The session also supported the development of important life skills such as teamwork, and problem-solving, as students worked through each stage of the process and adapted when needed.

"I really enjoyed when all of us came together to make the biscuits. I learned about rolling the cookie dough and how to make coloured icing. I felt confident reading out loud the instructions. I understood what to do. The cookies were very tasty. I shared them with my mother, and we really enjoyed eating them."

"It was a fun activity to do. I liked designing my own biscuits; my family enjoyed eating them. I learnt how to follow a recipe written in English. It tested my patience waiting for my biscuits to cook and cool!"

"I enjoyed making the Valentine's biscuits. Our group helped each other. I learned how to cut out the shapes carefully and follow a recipe. The biscuits were so nice I ate them all myself. I gave the sweets to my sister."

"The skill I developed was rolling the cookie dough. I also enjoyed cutting the cookie dough with the heart shaped cookie cutter. I liked designing the cookie as well."



"I liked learning how to make heart biscuits and using cutters. I only ate one — my parents had them all! 😊 The class was kind and everyone helped when I needed it."

"My siblings ate all my biscuits as they were too good! I enjoyed the taste testing part of the baking."

"I enjoyed making the cookies and doing the icing."

"I enjoyed mixing colour together. I also enjoyed shaping the cookies and putting the sweets on."



"I enjoyed baking the cookies and learning the skill to check if the cookies were done. I enjoyed decorating the cookies and my mum enjoyed eating them!"

Sip and Paint

What a fabulous evening we had with the parents and friends of St. Anne's at our *Sip and Paint* event!

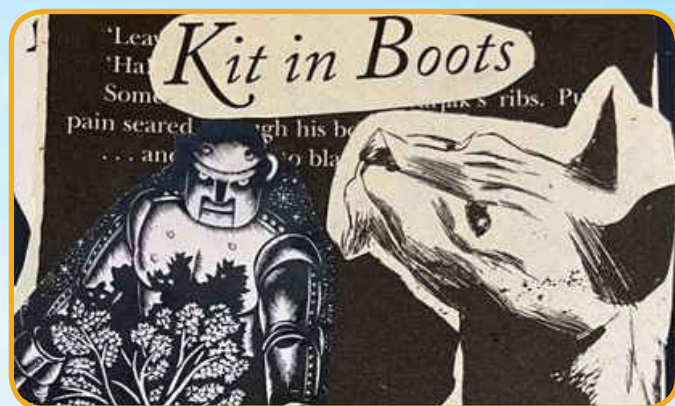
The finished paintings were absolutely lovely and would certainly brighten even the dulllest day. It was a fantastic time for everyone involved, bringing our community together in such a positive and relaxed way.



Rejuvenating Old Books



KS3 students have been busy transforming recycled books into eye catching collages that look so polished, they could be the covers of brand-new stories waiting to be written! The Library Ambassadors will be curating a display of these on the library windows at Enfield Campus. We cannot wait to see everyone's creativity on show and to celebrate their fantastic work!



Japanese Language and Culture

As Artist-in-Residence, I was invited to join the Japanese Language and Cultural Club. During the session, we enjoyed decorating wooden peg dolls inspired by traditional Kokeshi dolls from the Tohoku region of Japan.

It was a lovely activity that needed great dexterity, as we were working on such a small scale, as well as a high level of focus, something the students had in abundance!



Design Museum & Japan House

We had an exciting visit to the Design Museum and Japan House this term. At the Design Museum, students got hands on with the world of creativity and innovation, discovering how design is part of our everyday lives and shapes the objects we use, the spaces we inhabit, and the experiences we often take for granted. At Japan House, students explored Hyakkō: 100+ Makers from Japan, showcasing the exceptional skill and dedication of Japanese craftspeople. The range and precision of the work highlighted the deep respect for materials, tradition, and craftsmanship. Both venues offered inspiring experiences and are well worth a visit and perhaps somewhere families might explore over the holiday break!



Eco-Warriors

Students have been trying out the stencilling technique in preparation for the final stages of completing the mural. Roll on the warmer, drier weather!



Visit to The Nigerian Modernism Exhibition



The Diversity Leaders went to Tate Modern to see the Nigerian Modernism exhibition, celebrating the blend of traditional Nigerian art with European influences. Students shared their favourite artworks with the group, explaining their research and answering questions, which led to lots of interesting discussion and ideas. The visit also included a tour of the Turbine Hall, where M'Art Anne Sara's reindeer installation captured everyone's attention. Students were particularly intrigued by her reindeer hides, experiencing the installation through smell as well as sight, as the artist had sprayed the hides with a scent that reindeer emit when they are afraid.

Drama Department

St. Anne's Glee Club



The St. Anne's Glee Club recently took part in a competition with other clubs and schools from across London at the Arts Depot in North Finchley.

All 33 of our performers from across Key Stage 3 did an incredible job showcasing their professionalism, their enthusiasm and their creative talents while performing their songs to a sold out audience.

A big thank you to Mr Delaney and Ms Robinson for coming along to help the day run smoothly. Congratulations to the girls on a performance they should be proud of!



Harry Potter Trip

In February, a group of students went to see *Harry Potter and the Cursed Child* (Parts One and Two) as a reward for their hard work and commitment to the **Jack Petchey Speak Out Challenge Evening**. The trip was a fantastic way to celebrate their achievements and share a memorable cultural experience together.

From the moment the performance began, we were all captivated, staff included. The production brought the wizarding world to life in a truly remarkable way, with breathtaking stage effects, and moments of magic that left us wondering, “How did they do that?”

The storyline, which follows the next generation of characters (children of the famous trio, Harry, Hermione and Ron), unfolded in a compelling and emotional way across both parts.

We also had the opportunity to meet alumni Naana Agyei-Ampadu who plays Hermione and who has had a fantastic career as a West-End theatre actress and singer. Overall, it was an unforgettable experience and trip.



History Department

External Speaker: Conflict in the Middle East

On Thursday 19th March, Year 10 GCSE History students attended an engaging talk on the history and contemporary issues of the Middle East. The session was led by Lily Wood from the Council for Arab-British Understanding (CABUU), an organisation that brings knowledgeable speakers into schools across the UK.

The talk linked directly to students' GCSE topic, *Conflict in the Middle East*, helping them understand both historical events from the 1940s to the present day and the current issues shaping the region, including tensions in Israel and Palestine and the roles of international powers like the United States and Iran. By



connecting classroom learning to real-world developments, students gained a deeper and more informed perspective.

The presentation was interactive, with regular opportunities for discussion and questions. Students engaged enthusiastically during the Q&A, and Lily stayed afterwards to continue the conversation, giving students even more insight into the complexities of the region. It was a valuable experience, broadening students' understanding and encouraging them to think critically and independently about history, current affairs and how the two are connected.

Music Department

Year 7 and 8 Music Students Get Singing!

The Music Department has started a brand new Year 7 and Year 8 choir which gives younger students a chance to sing together, have fun, and learn new songs.

The choir will be singing songs from the BBC *Get Singing* project, including music by Jacob Collier. These songs are exciting and fun to sing, and they help students learn how to sing in harmony with others.

The new choir is already getting ready for its first performance. They will perform in the Summer Creative Show in June. This will be a great chance for students to show everyone what they have been practising.



The Music Department hopes that the choir will help students enjoy singing, build confidence and make new friends.

P.E. Department

Rise, Stretch & Shine: Thursday Morning Yoga Club

Every Thursday morning, something lovely is happening at our Enfield Campus before the school day even begins. Students gather for our Yoga Club — a calm, fun, and welcoming space where everyone is invited to move, breathe and set themselves up for a great day ahead.



Students in Tree Pose

Sessions blend chair yoga and mat yoga, so there is always something for everyone regardless of experience or ability. We enjoy fun stretches to wake up the body, balance challenges (tree pose is a firm favourite!) and breathing exercises to help students feel focused and calm. The mix of laughter, wobbles and concentration makes for a truly uplifting start to the day.

These sessions are open to all — no experience or special kit needed. Just come along and see how good it feels to begin the day with a little mindful movement. We would love to see you there!

Religious Education Department

Rabbi Visit

Rabbi Berger spoke to Year 11 students on Thursday 12th March to offer guidance and encouragement as they prepare for their upcoming GCSE exams with the focus on the Judaism content. The session provided students with a valuable opportunity to hear from a Jewish religious leader and ask questions about the faith. The focus was not only about their exam but also for them to have opportunity to meet a religious leader from another faith.



During her talk, Rabbi Berger shared insights from Jewish teachings about God, religious scripture, festivals, celebrations, perseverance, community support, and the value of education. She brought in a variety of artifacts and religious scripture for the students to see, which helped with their understanding of various topics such as festivals, Shabbat and religious ceremonies.

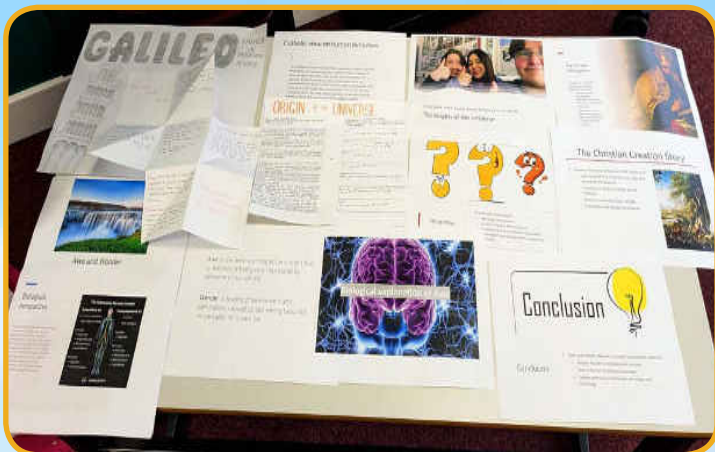
Meeting a Jewish religious leader also helped broaden students' understanding of faith and leadership. Seeing a female rabbi in a leadership role challenged stereotypes and highlighted the diversity within modern religious communities. It also gave students the chance to ask thoughtful questions about Judaism.

Hosting the talk just before GCSEs made the visit especially meaningful. As students face increasing pressure, hearing messages about resilience, perspective, and personal growth can help them feel more supported and motivated.



Year 13 Core RE Library Display

Our Year 13 Core RE classes created a lovely display in our library for our KS4 pupils to see. In it, they explored the relationship between Science and Faith incorporating topics such as notable Catholic contributions to science, complementary ideas about the origin of the universe and the nature of humans and awe and wonder.



EASTER ACTIVITIES

Free activities for young people this Easter.

8 days of fun activities from arts and crafts, games, cooking and much more!

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BELL LANE YC 11:30AM-3:30PM
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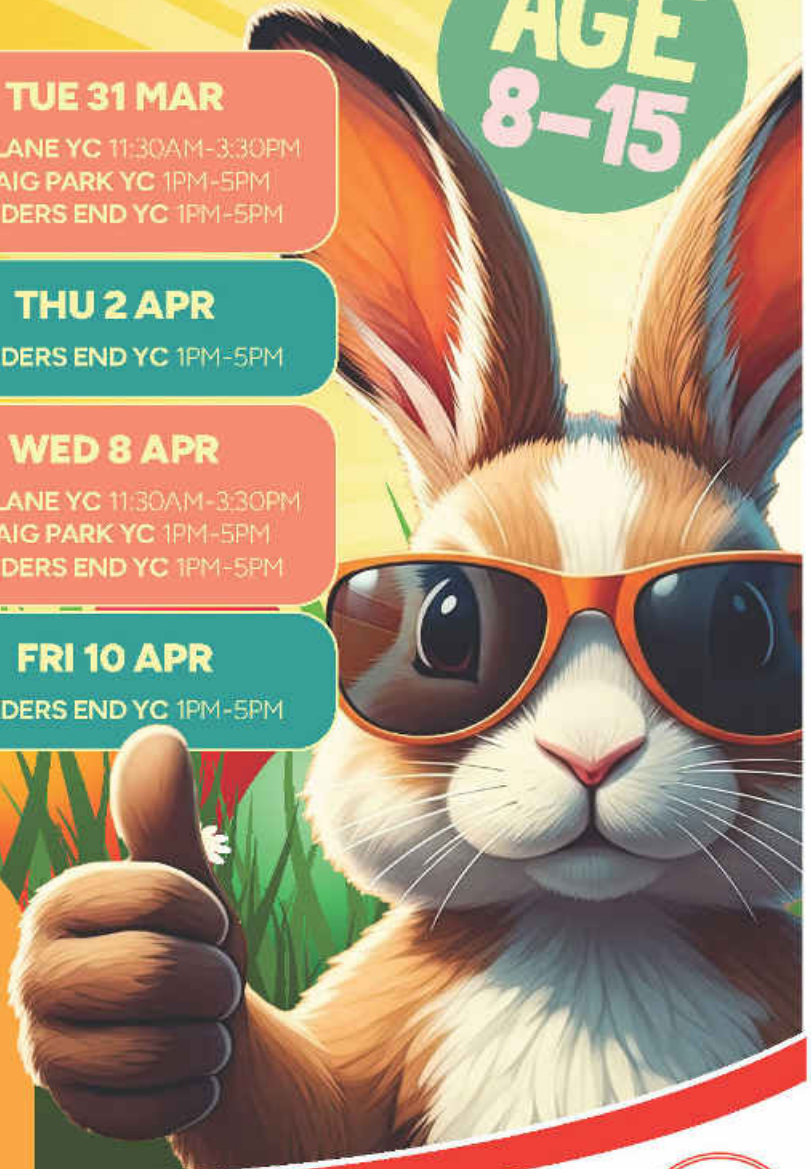
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Important Dates for Summer Term 2026

Monday 13th April : All students return following the Easter Break, 8.35am start

Tuesday 14th April : KS3 Start of Summer Term Mass, Our Lady of Mount Carmel & St. George's Church

Thursday 16th April : KS4 and KS5 Start of Summer Term Mass, Palmers Green Campus + Year 8 HPV Immunisations

Wednesday 22nd April : Year 8 Speed Networking Event – Your Future in 5

Monday 27th April : Year 7 Career Education Lessons, 7.1, 7.2, 7.3 and 7.6

Tuesday 28th April : Year 7 Career Education Lesson, 7.5 + Year 13 End of KS5 Mass + Year 13 Celebration Afternoon

Thursday 30th April : Year 10 Parents Evening – Palmers Green Campus – 5.00-7.30pm

Monday 4th May : **BANK HOLIDAY** – school closed to staff and students

Tuesday 5th May : Year 7 Career Education Lesson, 7.4 + First BTEC Exam

Wednesday 6th May : End of KS4 Mass

Thursday 7th May : **Secondary Transition 2026** – Year 6 Welcome Evening + GCSEs Commence

Monday 11th May : Year 8 Career Education Lessons – 8.1, 8.3, 8.4, 8.5 & 8.6 + A Levels Commence + Year 9 Dress-Down Day in support of St. Joan of Arc's Feast Fortnight + Year 10 Assessment Fortnight commences

Tuesday 12th May : Year 8 Career Education Lesson – 8.2

Monday 18th May : Year 9 Money Workshops – 9.2, 9.3 and 9.4

Tuesday 19th May : Year 9 Money Workshops – 9.1 & 9.6

Friday 22nd May : Year 9 Money Workshops – 9.5

HALF TERM BREAK – MONDAY 25th-FRIDAY 29th MAY 2026

Monday 8th June : KS3 Assessment Fortnight commences

Wednesday 17th June : Year 8 HPV Immunisations Catch-Up Session

Monday 22nd June : Sports Day + Year 10 Work Experience Week Commences

Thursday 25th June : Year 9 Career Education Lesson – 9.5

Friday 26th June : Year 9 Career Education Lesson – 9.6 + Year 11 PROM

Monday 29th June : Year 9 Career Education Lesson – 9.1, 9.2, 9.3 & 9.4 +

Year 7 Dress-Down Day in support of St. Kateri's Feast Fortnight

Tuesday 30th June : Creative Arts Exhibition – 5.00pm at Palmers Green Campus

Wednesday 1st July : Year 9 Transition to Palmers Green – Day 1 + Year 10 Retreat + Year 6 Transition – Day 1

Thursday 2nd July : Year 9 Transition to Palmers Green – Retreat – Day 2 + Year 6 Transition – Day 2 + Year 10 Career Education Lessons – 10.2 & 10.5

Friday 3rd July : Year 10 Career Education Lessons – 10.3, 10.4 & 10.6 + Languages trip to Paris, 4 days

Saturday 4th July : Duke of Edinburgh Expedition Weekend

Tuesday 7th July : Year 10 Career Education Lesson – 10.1 + Cultural Fashion Show – Palmers Green Campus

Wednesday 8th July : Year 8 Transition to Palmers Green – Day 1 + Cultural Fashion Show – Enfield Campus + Year 5 Taster Day

Thursday 9th July : Year 8 Transition to Palmers Green – Day 2

Monday 13th July : St. Martin in the Fields Summer Youth Choir Project (Selected Students)

Tuesday 14th July : KS3 End of Summer Term Mass – Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. George's Church

Wednesday 15th July : End of Summer Term Mass – Palmers Green Campus

Thursday 16th July : School closed for the Summer Break at 3.05pm

SUMMER HOLIDAYS –

FRIDAY 17th JULY–MONDAY 31st AUGUST 2026

A Level Results Day : 13th August 2026

GCSE Results Day : 20th August 2026

Tuesday 1st September : Inset Day – school closed to students

Wednesday 2nd September : New Year 7 Students Only

Thursday 3rd September : All students return to school



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