

# NEWSLETTER



## St Anthony's School

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to the Summer edition of the school newsletter.

This term has not been like any other I have ever experienced in school. With COVID-19, the school has not been fully open since 24<sup>th</sup> March. Although we have been open for a small group of pupils and in the last 3 weeks we have been able to welcome back a greater number of pupils. This has been lovely and school is starting to feel a little more normal.

Over the course of the term, class groups have been receiving class newsletters which have been a great way to share and see what everyone has been up to. The newsletter this term is an overview from the class groups. We hope you enjoy this.

Unfortunately, we have not been able to run our residential visits, school production and Year 11 Prom to name a few. Some of these we will be looking to do in the autumn and spring term.

Our Year 11 students have been back for 4 weeks on a Friday to



support their preparation and transition to Post-16. They will be leaving us on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June. Some of the students have been with us since Infants. Leaving school is a huge event in an individual's life. It is part of the journey from childhood to adulthood. The students who are leaving have been a wonderful year group. They will be missed in school and everyone here wishes them a happy and successful future.

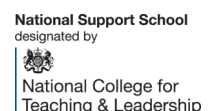
I would like to finish by saying a huge thank you on behalf of the staff and governors to all parents and carers. Your support has been amazing and the work and activities you have supported your child with during lock-down has been truly fantastic.

We are very much hoping that when September arrives, we will be back to normal and can welcome all our students back to school. I will of course update parents with our plans once I have received guidance from the DfE.

The school will be closed to pupils over the holidays and I hope everyone has a lovely summer break when it gets here, and I look forward to hopefully welcoming all students back in the week beginning 7<sup>th</sup> September.

Best Wishes

*Heleen Ball*



# Home Learning Zone and Key Links

Staff are working hard to support our pupils and provide a range of fun and interesting activities to try at home. The Learning Zone can be accessed in the following ways:

By clicking this link <http://st-ants.org/portal/course/view.php?id=6>

On our school website <https://www.st-ants.org/> and then clicking on the **Learning Zone** picture

There is lots to see here including login details for school-based subscription sites.

View our showcase space! Hear the teachers read stories, explore online games and more! Tell us if you have accessed our home learning zone and what you enjoyed. Let us know what else you would like to see. Please e-mail Mrs Timney the IT Manager at [homelearning@st-ants.org](mailto:homelearning@st-ants.org)

- Primary Department <http://st-ants.org/portal/course/view.php?id=102>
- Secondary Department <http://st-ants.org/portal/course/view.php?id=87>
- Wellbeing <http://st-ants.org/portal/course/view.php?id=113>
- Story time bookshelf <http://st-ants.org/portal/course/view.php?id=112>
- My World <http://st-ants.org/portal/course/view.php?id=103>
- Parents and carers support <http://st-ants.org/portal/course/view.php?id=104>



## BELLA



Bella has been busy during the last few months, she has enjoyed lots of walks in the woods and loved seeing the many different flowers from bluebells to lupines and foxgloves. She has been spending time relaxing in the sun and joining in with some yoga, her best position is called 'down dog'. She set herself challenges and managed the toilet roll challenge, jumping 7 high. Bella has been in school and she has enjoyed running around the field but has missed all the pupils, she has been practicing her social distancing too. She is looking forward to seeing you and sends you lots of 'woofs'.





# Chestnut

Chestnut class have been using objects they can find at home to help their learning.

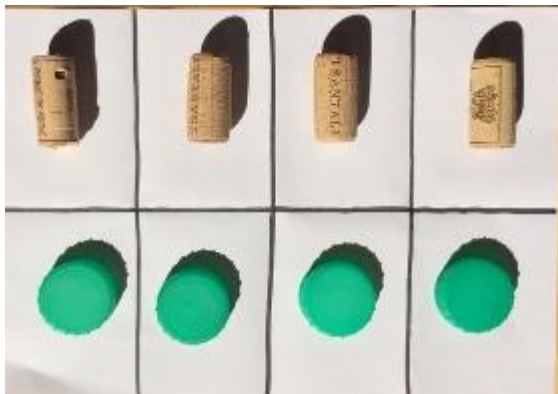
Learning about money is fun when you can play shops too!



Writing letters and words in sand or flour.



Lids are great! They can be used for counting and sorting.



Looking at clocks and watches around the house helps learn where numbers go around the face and what 'o'clock' looks like.



Looking for 2D shapes around your home.



# Oak and Rowan



Hello everyone!

If we had all been together at school this term, we would have been learning all about the Seaside. However, even though we haven't been at school I know you have all been learning so much at home by spending time with your families and lots of exploring outside. Many of you have visited the beach and been on lovely walks around where you live and we have all enjoyed seeing the photos you have sent us. We are all really looking forward to seeing you all as soon as we can, in the meantime take good care of each other and keep exploring and learning!

Mrs Appleton





# Junior Department

Here are some of the things our Juniors have been getting up to at school whilst many of you have been learning at home.

Making an obstacle course and timing how many times they can complete it in a minute.



We have been busy practicing our writing and our numeracy skills.



Arts and crafts is great fun and we have been creating a rainbow for the 'Wall of Happiness' display!



Planting Sunflowers



The children love Little Group with Mrs Morley, they never know what is going to come out of the bag next!



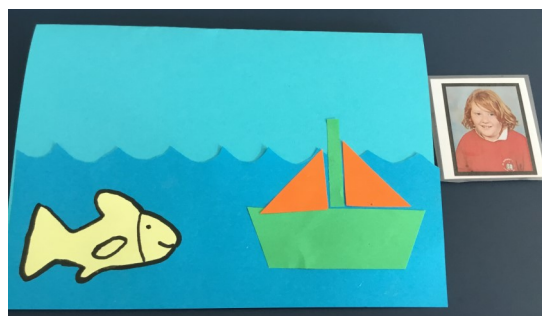


# Junior Department

Icing biscuits for Ed's birthday celebration.



'Exploring the Ocean'  
day with Mrs VK.



Van Gogh  
inspired  
Sunflower  
painting.





# 7SW



7SW are well and have been very busy during lockdown. They have been excellent at keeping in touch with each other and sending in details of what they have all been up to. The form group have really enjoyed keeping up to date with the antics of Mrs Banahan's dog Teddy. Teddy has been to visit Denny and a few members of the group. 7SW particularly liked the story about

Teddy making a mess of his bed that had been on the washing line. Well done to all of 7SW for continuing to complete school work, helping around the house and looking after themselves by keeping fit. We look forward to welcoming some of you back to school on the 3rd July. Keep safe and well everybody and enjoy the summer months ahead. Mrs Styles and Mrs Wood.

# 7B

Daniel has been working extremely hard over the lockdown completing lots of work and having lots of fun with his family.



Mr Bridges and his son have been going to see the trains every morning on their walk and have been taking out their Kayak into Chichester Harbour.



I think Mr Daffern is due a COVID-19 haircut!





# 7KL



7KL have remained busy as ever with lots of work getting done and lots of other learning flying along. All the pets are having a lovely time as there has been lots of walking and cycling. 7KL have also been building like crazy and having masses of Birthdays, we shall have a big celebration when we are all together again.

There has been some drumming and guitar playing. We have also been sent lots of lovely art work and some extremely funny puppet shows.

7KL have done so well keeping happy and busy.

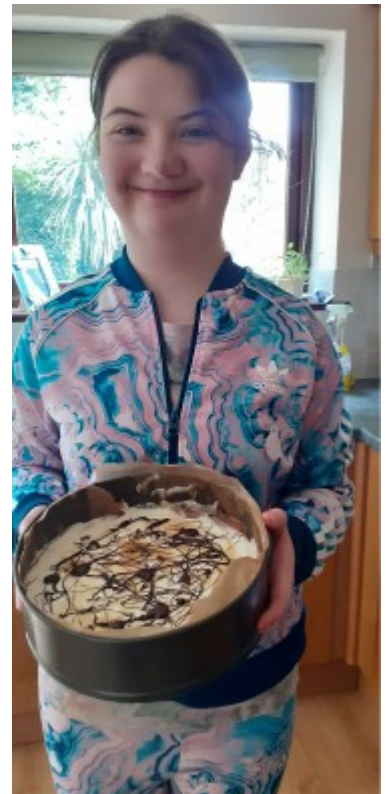


# 8PS

Pupils have been very busy! Here is what they have been doing.

Some of the children in our class celebrated VE Day by having parties and making bunting. Rachel dressed up in a costume and enjoyed a VE Day party in her garden. We've been lucky to have such beautiful weather and lots of the children in our class have been spending time outside playing games, exploring the countryside, and helping in the garden.

A lot of 8PS have been using the time to do some school work and help around the house. It's been great to see all of the delicious things they have been making. Zain cooked some sausages for the family dinner and Freya made a cheesecake.

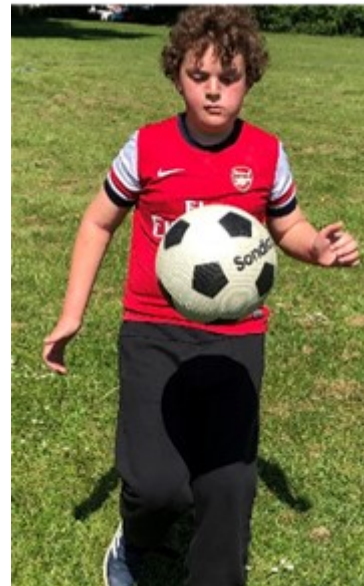




**8T** Whilst in lock down 8T have been learning how to grow and look after the garden and crops. Pupils have been looking after a range of crops from runner beans, tomatoes, courgettes and carrots.



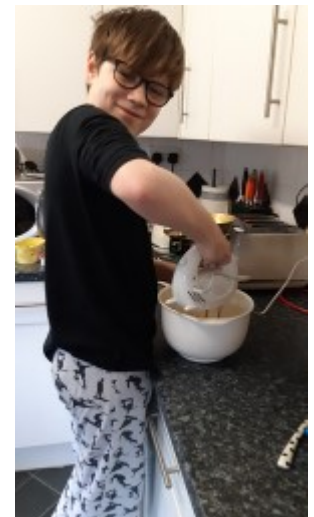
8T have been keeping active during the lock down via various activities. Some pupils have been riding their bikes, splashing in their garden paddling pools, climbing trees, bouncing on their garden trampolines, playing football and going for walks.



8T have been practicing their baking and cooking skills whilst being off school.



Pupils have cooked BBQs, created cakes, bread, cookies and fudge.



Pupils have also been doing varying work tasks and making rainbow pictures to thank the NHS and keyworkers.





# SUPPORT CENTRE



The shoe box activities were created for the pupils who are based in the Support Centre.

The Maths topic this half term would have been 'Investigating Symmetry and Time', linked to our Under the Sea topic and summer. We put together some fun, creative activities in the hope it would inspire the children whilst they are at home and at the same time help to improve their Occupational Therapy skills.

The group have been working super hard at creating some amazing ocean floor scenes, and using these to prompt some stories. It has been really lovely to hear your stories and see the different ways you have chosen to present them! Ragavan has also made some fantastic Turtle

Above are three photos of Harry completing some of these activities-

Play dough mats to create an Under the Water scene and he created weird and wonderful sea creatures.

Design a butterfly and make a garden or house ornament with symmetry in mind.

Bread! It looks very tasty! Well done all of you and we can't wait to see you very soon.

Miss Green

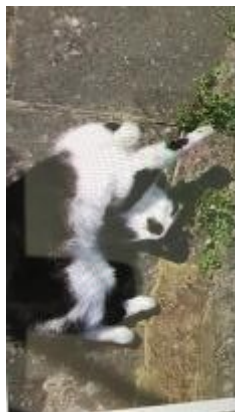




# 9C

Sophie R has built a lovely fairy garden and decorated it.

Sophie W has been doing lots of colouring and shared a picture of her cat with the class.



Harry's sister gave him a haircut. He has been busy playing with his dog and spending time at the beach.



Dylan has made delicious biscuits with mum.



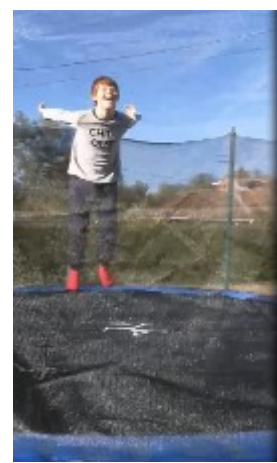
Colin has been riding his bike to the beach .



Jacob has been baking.



Gabe and Nate have been working towards getting certificates at home. They got them!



Rowan enjoying the trampoline



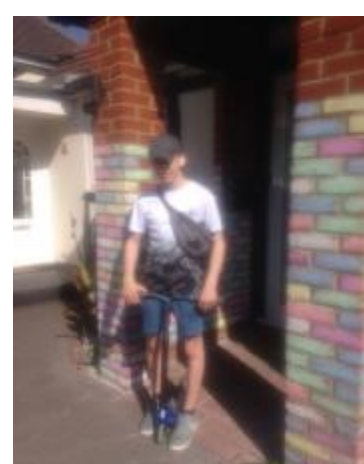
Ragavan's creative ocean task.



Dimitri keeping busy playing games.



Leon enjoying the nice weather.



Alfie and the rainbow wall for the NHS he and his sister made.



# 10H

Pupils in 10H are a creative bunch and have definitely made the most of their home learning. Here are some of the things they have been up to ...

Max and Leah have been enjoying time outside – Leah has been out and about on her bike and Max has been practicing his football skills!



Dylan and Jack have been doing some baking.



Riley and Ares have enjoyed using their Land Base Studies skills.

Loz has been making sure he carries on with his drawing skills.



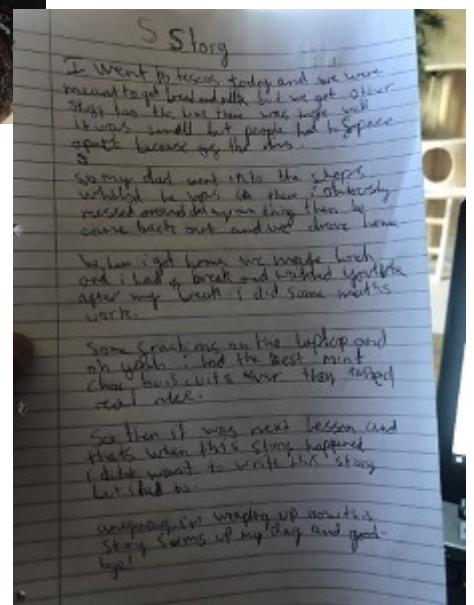
Aston and Jimmy have been writing stories.



Isaac had great fun creating a volcano in his kitchen – a good use of goggles Isaac!

There have been a few birthdays too and Aston, Tyler, Max and Riley have all celebrated their birthdays in "lockdown" style...

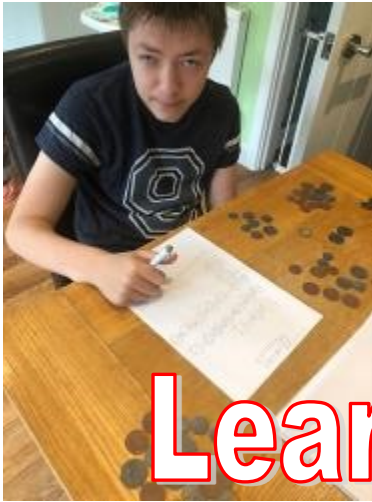
We look forward to celebrating properly when we are all back together....





# 10K

You are all superstars and are doing an amazing job, keeping safe, creating fantastic work both at home and in school. Most importantly of all, you are all smiling! Thank you for sharing your wonderful photographs of your work. We (Mr K, Mr Sobti and Miss English) are very excited to see how creative and imaginative you've all been! Well done guys!



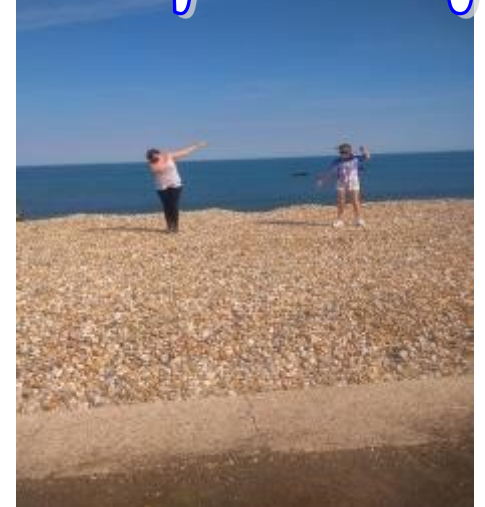
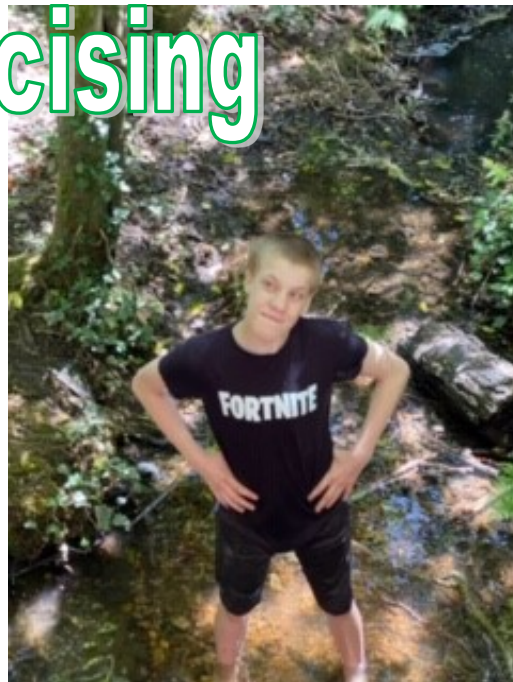
## Learning



## Socially-Distancing



## Exercising



## Creating

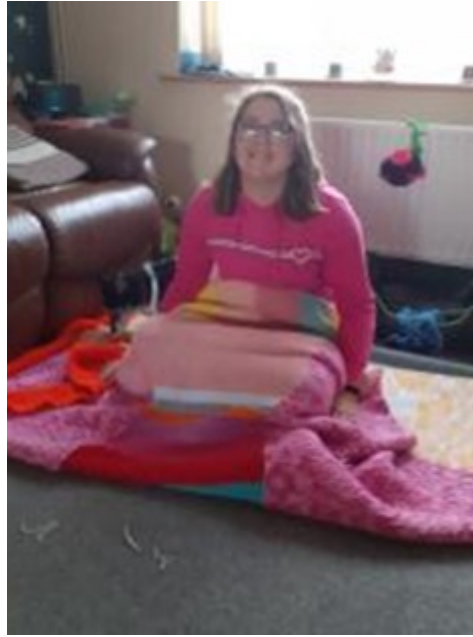


Happy Belated Birthday to Connor and Tristan who have celebrated their birthdays during lockdown.

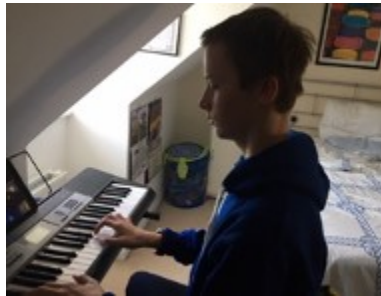


11T have been very busy during lockdown with exercise, gardening, experiments and cooking. Most of 11T have been able to come back in to school. Here is a picture of the PSD room 'bubble' with everyone looking really happy to be back in school!

Emma is extremely busy at home developing her music talents, as well as her sewing and baking. Look at this amazing cake and blanket she has made!!



11T





11W



No clowning around for Mr Clark doing his second job at Sainsbury's



Elliott hard at work



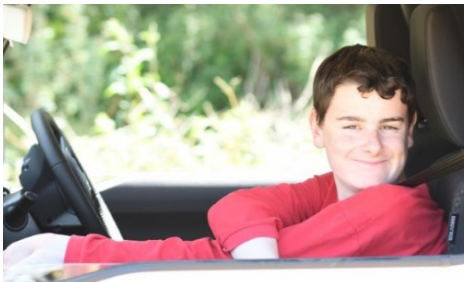
Connor at his dad's flat in Portsmouth



Martha and her cupcakes



Sam on the wheels of steel...(Djing)



Edward watching off-roading



Bradley climbing a tree



Dylan in his swimming pool





# Music Department



## Music Home Learning Links

Oliver Music and Words



Music Summer 2020 Find songs, music books, movement activities and lots of websites to explore (for all ages).

<http://st-ants.org/portal/course/view.php?id=118#section-0>

Live Music recordings from Ms Dearlove, Mr Godon and Miss Lewis

<http://st-ants.org/portal/course/view.php?id=124#section-1>

Miss Lewis



Arts Home Learning with the sing alongs for our school production of Oliver



### Year 7 Pirates!

<http://st-ants.org/portal/course/view.php?id=118#section-1>

### Year 8 Britpop

<http://st-ants.org/portal/course/view.php?id=118#section-2>

### Year 9 The Beatles, The Monkees and Great Composers

<http://st-ants.org/portal/course/view.php?id=118#section-3>

### Year 10 Appraising Music (Exam module)

<http://st-ants.org/portal/course/view.php?id=118#section-4>

### Year 11 Rhythm work and performing for pleasure (Exam modules finished)

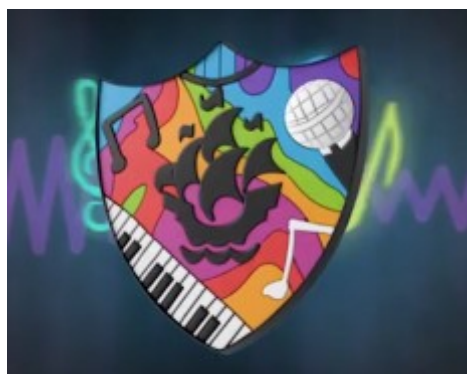
<http://st-ants.org/portal/course/view.php?id=118#section-5>



### Get Your Blue Peter Music Badge!

Get your hands on this incredible looking music badge, designed by the one and only music-sensation Ed Sheeran. This is a music project to do at home.

Google [Blue Peter Music Badge](#). Fill out the form and send it to the address in the link. Don't forget to attach a picture of yourself enjoying music with your entry! You must be aged between 6 and 15 years old. When you attach a photo of yourself enjoying music, make sure there are no other people in the photo, and you are not wearing your school uniform. There will be double merits for every badge gained!







## Therapies in Schools (TIS)

Who are the new TIS therapists?



David Marson (Occupational Therapist) and Katalin Halasz (Physiotherapist) have recently joined the TIS team and works in both St Anthony's and Fordwater schools.

David writes:

'It's great to be part of the new TIS team and we look forward to working with staff and parents/carers in developing the service over time. My background is as an Occupational Therapist both in adult neurological rehabilitation and in community children and families services in Surrey. My personal experience is as a father to a teenager with ASD which certainly impacts how I seek to work with parents and schools in supporting children. Particular interests include coaching models, routines based intervention and the use of technology to support children develop daily living skills.'

Katalin previously worked in special needs schools and has special interests in rebound therapy and hydrotherapy/swimming. She writes: 'I am really looking forward to working with staff and students and being part of the team.'

### 'Therapies in Schools' (TIS) new Wiki page

New online resources are available from the TIS team. These include ideas (for e.g. videos and advice sheets) to help support parents/carers at home with their child. The Wiki page will have more resources added in the coming weeks/months including a free e-learning course on sensory processing.

Please go to: <https://wiki.rixwiki.org/west-sussex-mmm/home/tis-wiki-2>

Also, if you are a parent/carers and would like to speak to a TIS Occupational Therapist or Physiotherapist, please do contact your child's personal tutor/class teacher and they can forward your request to us.

David Marson (Occupational Therapist) & Katalin Halasz (Physiotherapist)

TE (Ty) in 8T is shaving his hair for charity whilst he is off school. His aim was to reach £300 to which he has smashed and is currently at £500. He asked if I could share and spread the news and story about why he is doing it.

I'm taking part in Brave the Shave to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support. Please support me and check out my shave page.

<https://bravetheshave.macmillan.org.uk/shavers/tyler-emerson>



Brand has had a special celebration for his graduation. We are hoping to have the Year 11 prom in the autumn term. Huge congrats to you all!!



Hello from all the Speech and Language Therapy Team at St Anthony's. We are really missing the children lots and hope to see them all soon (fingers crossed). We are quietly working in the background so if you would like to chat about your child's communication skills or like support with resources and ideas at home please do get in touch on 01273 696011 ext. 5108. We would love to hear from you.

## Key Dates

(Subject to dates being changed or added)

### Summer Term 2020

Friday 17 July  
Monday 20 July

End of term  
INSET day

### Autumn Term 2020

Thursday 3 Sept  
Friday 4 Sept  
Monday 7 Sept  
Mon-Fri 26-30 Oct  
Friday 18 Dec

INSET Day  
INSET Day  
Term starts for pupils  
Half term  
End of term



### Spring Term 2021

Monday 4 Jan

Term starts for pupils

Thursday 11 Feb  
Friday 12 Feb  
Mon-Fri 15-19 Feb

INSET Day  
INSET Day  
Half term