# @ST ANTHONY'S

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#### Star of the Week Awards – Friday, 31st March, 2023

Rec S	Tilly B			Rec T	Seraphin M
1/25	Nicolas B	1/2T	Sera B	1/2A	James K
3/45	Esme L	3/4T	Imogen S	3/4A	Eliza W-B
<i>5/6S</i>	Kane A	5/6T	Theo C	5/6A	Cal D

#### **Headteacher Awards**

HEAGTEGATOR				
3/4A	Tristan E			
5/6A	Evie P			
5/6A	Thomas W			

#### Citizen Award

Rec S	Louis C

#### **Mrs Gunson**

Mrs Gunson will be leaving us this Easter after securing a permanent position at St Mary's and St Andrew's in Barton. Mrs Gunson has worked part time in Y5/6 and in Reception after coming back to work with us last year, having been elsewhere for a year. We wish Mrs Gunson well for the future, she has been a wonderful support to St Anthony's and will be greatly missed. Mrs Boardman will continue to teach the children in that class full time so there will be very little change for them.

#### **Easter Holidays**

There won't be a newsletter next week with us breaking up on Thursday so we would like to wish all our families a wonderful and holy Easter. We hope that you all get some quality time and rest.

Have a lovely weekend.

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## **SCHOOL DAY**

School starts at 8:45am with doors opening from 8:40am

School finishes at 3:15pm

### **LUNCHES**

School meals are free to all children in EYFS and KS1.

Cost £2.35 to KS2 children unless they are entitled to free school meals.

Meal payments must be made in advance through Parent Pay accounts.

School Meal Menu

Next week is week one of the Autumn Term Menu

All extra curricular before and after school clubs will finish today until after our Easter break. Information about next term's Clubs will follow.

#### **Sunday Mass**

Thank you for your support with helping more children to attend Mass over the last few months. Mrs Shaw will be at mass this Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April, and any children who would like to come along to join her are welcome to do so.

#### Parents' Evening

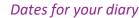
If anyone is struggling to book an appointment for Monday's Parents' Evening, please contact Mrs Howlett through our school office who will be happy to book one on your behalf.

#### Year 3/4 Easter Reflection

Next week, the children in Year 3/4 are presenting our Easter reflection performance in St. Anthony's Church. The performance will retell the betrayal, death and resurrection of Jesus and reflect on the true meaning of Easter. The children will be performing for the rest of the school on Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April and parents, family and friends are invited to join us at the church for two performances on Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> April at 10.30am and 2.00pm. We look forward to seeing you there next week.

#### **Uniform Swap Shop - Date Change**

In readiness for the children changing to our summer uniform after Easter, we have decided to open our uniform swap shop for two days next week, Tuesday, 4th and Wednesday, 5th April, and you are invited to take any items you can make use of free of charge. This will be held all day on both days in our school foyer, first come first served. If any of you have any items of uniform that you would like to donate, please feel free to drop them off at our school office. For hygiene reasons please no underwear, socks or shoes.





Parents' Evening - Monday, 3rd April from 3.30pm-6.30pm - in school

**Year 3/4 Easter Reflection Performance** - Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> April at 10.30am and 2.00pm - St Anthony's Church

**Uniform Swap Shop** – Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> April - all day school foyer (DATE CHANGE)

Easter Break - School closes for Easter at 1.30pm on Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> April and re-opens on Monday, 24<sup>th</sup> April



EYFS - Thursday

1/2S Miss Clarke – Wednesday (extended session) 1/2T Mrs Chamley/Mrs Berry – Wednesday & Friday 1/2A Miss Martin – Monday & Wednesday

3/4S Mr Martin – Wednesday & Friday 3/4T Mrs Shaw – Tuesday & Friday 3/4A Mrs Eshborn – Tuesday and Friday

5/6S Mrs Gunson/Mrs Boardman – Thursday and Friday 5/6T Miss Davies – Tuesday & Thursday 5/6A Mrs Noonan – Monday & Friday Times are subject to change – please keep PE kits in School.

Attendance – Friday, 24th March to Thursday, 30th March

Class	% Attendance
Rec S	96.8%
Rec T	92.5%
1/25	91.7%
1/2T	88.3%
1/2A	88.3%
3/45	93.7%
3/4T	94.5%
3/4A	96.8%
5/6S	96.7%
5/6T	95.0%
5/6A	98.1%
Whole School	93.8%
Whole School	96.0%
Target	

#### **Easter Lunch**

We are having an Easter themed lunch on Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> April. The menu is:

Mrs Tiggy-Winkle Roast Turkey or Roast Quorn served with:

Peter Rabbit Roast Potatoes
Yorkshire Pudding and Seasonal Vegetables

Special 'Flopsy, Mopsy and Cotton Tail Chocolate Cornflake Nest' cakes

Jacket Potatoes with a range of fillings will also be served as an alternative to the Easter menu.

For those who pay for meals, payment can be made in advance through Parent Pay at the normal meal cost.

#### Milk

Reminder for those of you who would like your children to have milk after Easter that payment can be made through Parent Pay until next Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> April. Unfortunately, we will not be able to take any further orders after Tuesday.

#### **Year 5/6 Cross Country Competition**

On Wednesday, a group of Year 5 children competed in the Preston Schools' Cross Country Competition at Greenlands Primary School. Thirty schools competed in the event, completing a mile run around the school grounds. Our team competed well and showed great determination to complete the gruelling course. Well done to our runners: Fearne, Juan, Scarlett, Sean, Indiana and William and thank you for being fantastic representatives of our school.







#### Year 6 Dodgeball Tournament

A group of Year 6 children took part in the Preston Schools' Dodgeball Tournament at Corpus Christi this week. The event was a new addition to the sports calendar and it proved to be a huge success with many schools involved. Dodgeball is one of the children's favourite sports during break time and the experience paid off with the team winning all their group games. The team made the quarter finals but were beaten by eventual finalists Ingol. The team had a fantastic afternoon and represented the school with pride. Well done to Dylan, Thomas, Daniel, Filip, Josh J, Josh T, Julius and Archie.

#### Part-time Site Supervisor and Cleaner Vacancies

We are currently recruiting for a part-time Site Supervisor and a part-time Cleaner. For further information, please contact Mrs Cartwright through our school office.

#### FOSTA Easter Discos – Wednesday, 5th April

FOSTA discos will take place on Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> April from 3.30pm-4.30pm for Reception and Year 1/2 children and from 4.45pm-6.00pm for Year 3/4/5 and 6 children.

Reception and Year 1/2 children will be able to go straight to the disco from school and can come to school in their own clothes. Tickets are £4.50 which includes a drink and sweets. Pick up will be from the key stage 2 playground.

Tickets for Year 3/4/5 and 6 children are £3.50 and sweets and drinks are available to buy at the disco. Drop off will be at the hall door by the car park and pick up will be from key stage 2 playground.

Payment for both discos should be made through Parent Pay.

\*\*Please note: Mobile phones are not allowed into the disco\*\*



#### FOSTA Royal Family Bingo - Friday, 5th May

To celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III and a bank holiday weekend, FOSTA will be holding a Family Bingo night on Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> May at St. Anthony's Social Club. Doors will open at 6:30pm with Bingo starting at 7.00pm.

Entry to the Bingo will cost £1.00 per person and can be purchased through Parent Pay. Spaces are limited to 110 so buy early to avoid disappointment and be on FOSTA's guest list on the door.

FOSTA hope that you will join them for a fun evening and all money raised will go towards additional resources for school.

#### <u>Train to Teach in Local Schools through Catholic</u> <u>Teaching Alliance</u>

If you are interested in enrolling in one of Catholic Teaching Alliance's Teacher Training courses due to start in September 2023 and would like further information, please either:

Phone: 01772 326931

Email: <a href="mailto:ctaschooldirect@olchs.lancs.sch.uk">ctaschooldirect@olchs.lancs.sch.uk</a>
or visit their website: <a href="https://www.catholic-">https://www.catholic-</a>

<u>teaching-alliance.org/</u>

#### Research Project about Children's Sleep

Please see attached flyers regarding the above project.

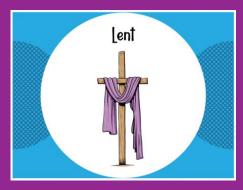






Have you ever noticed how we like to characterise different months and seasons? For example, January is painted as the longest, bluest month of the year – so much so that 'Blue Monday' is a term coined to refer to the third Monday in January. Other months and seasons similarly characterised include February – romance and playfulness due to Valentine's Day and being the shortest, quirkiest month; and October – pumpkin-spice and all things nice!

But these characterisations don't leave much room for nuance. Even the bluest Januarys will have some light, and the most playful of Februarys will have harder moments. And for most people, October doesn't consist of endless pumpkin-spice lattes!



This year, the month of March is taken up wholly with the Liturgical Season of Lent. In the Church, Lent is represented by the colour purple, worn by priests and seen on the altar. Purple, like the season of Lent, symbolises a time of prayer, penance and preparation for Jesus' death on the cross and Resurrection at Easter. It offers a chance for us to reflect on our relationship with God and make a fresh start as the Church focuses on the three pillars of Lent, almsgiving, fasting and prayer – or as children in school will know them, GIVE, ACT, PRAY:

But even in this somewhat austere season, there is room for nuance! On the fourth Sunday of Lent, called Laetare Sunday, Catholics are invited to celebrate! 'Laetare' is the Latin word for 'rejoice' and on this day only, the purple of Lent is swapped for rose pink, symbolising hope and a reminder of what is to come on Easter Sunday. This Sunday is also Mothering Sunday, where historically believers would return to the mother church where they received the Sacrament of Baptism.

#### Jesus,

Be the centre. As I start my journey through Lent, I welcome you into my heart. Be my guide as I GIVE to others.

Be my strength as I ACT by making good choices.

Be my friend as I PRAY and get to know you more.

Amen



# Prayer

Jesus said to the man, "Do you believe...?"

...The man said, "Lord, I believe," and worshipped Him.

#### John 9:37-38

Here are some ideas from the prayers to help inspire your home prayer times:

## 'I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.'

Dear God, we believe that you hold us and everything you created in your loving care. Thank you for our beautiful earth, which we need to take care of. Help us to care for our planet in small ways each day. Amen

# 'I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.'

Dear God, we believe that you hold us in your loving care. You gave us Jesus, your Son, to be the Light of the World and to set an example for us to follow. Help us to be like Jesus and bring joy and peace to others. Amen