

BACK TO SCHOOL @ST ANTHONY'S WE ARE GOD'S WORK OF ART



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Star of the Week Awards

Friday, 24th November, 2023

Rec S	Harper C			Rec T	Sadie B
1/2S	Lucy H	1/2T	Elsie W	1/2A	Hanna T
3/4S	Oliver S	3/4T	Elena I	3/4A	Holie D & Lnyah A-T
5/6S	Ola K	5/6T	Ollie T	5/6A	Kray H

Citizen Award

1/2A	Ava W
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SCHOOL DAY

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

School finishes at 3:15pm

SCHOOL MEALS

School meals cost £2.50 to KS2 children unless they have a free school meal entitlement

Meal payments must be made in advance through Parent Pay accounts

AUTUMN/WINTER MENU

Next week will be week two of the new Autumn/Winter menu

Week 11

Mass

As you are aware, each Friday we attend Mass at St. Anthony's on a year group rota. This morning it was our Year 1/2 children and our Reception children joined them for their first Mass as a class.

Advent Evening – Thursday, 14th December from 3.15pm to 4.00pm

Advent begins on 3rd December this year and we would like to invite parents to pop into school to look at the fantastic work that our children will have produced on the theme of Advent. As it is Advent, we will be asking for a small donation to come and see the children's work so that we can support some charities at this time of year.

Carols and Cake – Sunday, 10th December at 2.00pm

Many thanks to the offers of involvement for this parish and school event. I have a list of children wanting to take part so will start on the preparation for this next week. It should be a lovely Christmassy event so please come along to get into the Christmas spirit with us.

Advent and Christmas

It's now the time of year that our children in EYFS and KS1 start to practise for their Nativity and Advent Service. I am sure that all our EYFS and KS1 parents can't wait to see their children perform and information about both events is below.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Ballard



Dates for your diary

After School Extra Curricular Clubs begin – Monday, 11th September
 Parents' Evening – Tuesday, 17th October
 FOSTA Disco – Wednesday, 18th October
 October Half Term – Monday, 23rd October – Friday, 27th October
 FOSTA Halloween Party – Friday, 27th October
 Inset Day – Monday, 30th October
 Open Day – Monday, 6th November
 Tempest – Individual/Sibling photos – Wednesday, 22nd November
 FOSTA Own Clothes Day – Friday, 24th November
Whole School Nasal Flu Vaccinations – Thursday, 30th November
FOSTA Christmas Fair – Friday, 8th December – 1.00pm-3.30pm
Carols and Cakes – Sunday, 10th December – 2.00pm
EYFS Nativity – Tuesday, 12th December – 9.15am and 2.30pm
FOSTA Family Quiz Night – Friday, 15th December
KS1 Advent Service – Tuesday, 19th December – 10.00am and 2.00pm
School closes for Christmas – Friday, 22nd December at 1.30pm



PE DAYS

EYFS – Wednesday

1/2S Miss Clarke – Tuesday & Wednesday

1/2T Mrs Chamley/Mrs Walmsley – Tuesday & Wednesday

1/2A Miss Martin – Wednesday & Friday

3/4S Mr Martin – Thursday & Friday

3/4T Mrs Shaw – Tuesday & Thursday

3/4A Mrs Eshborn – Tuesday & Friday

5/6S Mrs Boardman – Wednesday & Friday

5/6T Miss Davies – Monday & Thursday

5/6A Mrs Mowatt – Monday & Thursday

Times are subject to change – please keep PE kits in school.

Attendance – Friday, 17th November to Thursday, 23rd November

Class	% Attendance
Rec S	88.3%
Rec T	95.0%
1/2S	91.3%
1/2T	98.0%
1/2A	94.7%
3/4S	98.3%
3/4T	97.0%
3/4A	95.3%
5/6S	95.3%
5/6T	92.3%
5/6A	96.5%
Whole School	94.9%
Whole School Target	96.0%

Congratulations to Class 3/4T for gaining
 ten certificates this week



Most correct answers in Year 5/6 - Ephraim O

Most correct answers in Year 3/4 - Vincent G

Most correct answers in Year 1/2 - Jakob K

Attendance Reward

This week's winners of an extra playtime is Class 3/4S with 98.3%. Our overall figure is a bit low this week at 94.9%, however, it is the sickness bug/cough/cold season!

Lovely News to Share

At the weekend, Ava who is one of our Year 1 children, donated 14 inches of her beautiful hair to the little Princess Charity who provide wigs to children who have lost their hair to cancer and other illnesses. In addition to Ava donating her hair, she also raised £825.00 for the charity and this tremendous amount of money is enough to cover the cost of the charity making a wig for a child. Well done Ava, we are very proud of you.



Tempest Photographs

Children have been sent home with photograph proofs and Tempest request that you place your orders online ideally before Friday, 1st December.

Site Supervisor Vacancy – 26.25 hours per week
Cleaner Vacancy – 7.50 hours per week –
3.30pm-5.00pm

We are looking to appoint enthusiastic, hardworking and proactive site supervisor and cleaner to join our team of site support staff on a permanent basis. If either of these vacancies are something that you might be interested in, or know someone who is, please contact the school office on 01772 726621.

Sunday Mass

Please see below the staff rota for the 9.30am Sunday mass at St. Anthony's.

Date	Adult
26 th November	Miss Davies
3 rd December	Mrs Berry
10 th December	Miss Clarke

Weekly Friday Mass

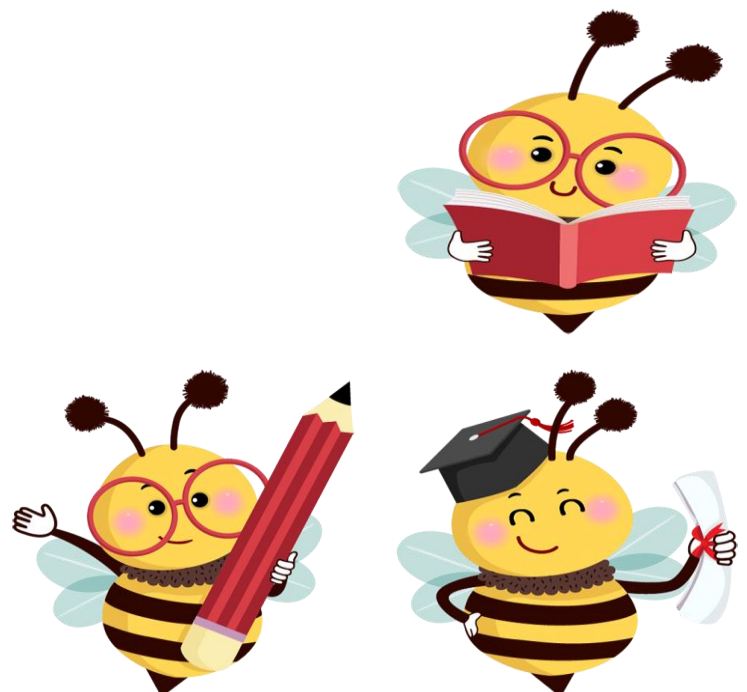
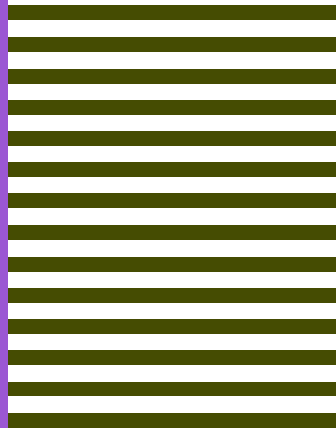
Next Friday, 1st December, all children from Year 3/4 will be attending the 9.15am mass.

Cinderella

Panto Season is here and we are thrilled that Initiate Touring Theatre will be visiting school on Wednesday, 6th December to perform Cinderella to the whole school. Cinderella will be brought to life and promises to be lots of fun for everyone. The cost of the performance is £4.00 per child which is payable through your parent pay accounts.

EYFS Nativity

Our EYFS children will be performing their Nativity on Tuesday, 12th December. There will be two performances, one at 9.15am and the other at 2.30pm, and each child will be allocated two tickets per performance which must be presented on the day. More information will follow.



Year 1/2 Advent Service

Our Year 1/2 children will be holding their Advent Service at church on Tuesday, 19th December. There will be two services, one at 10.00am and the other at 2.00pm, and each child will be allocated three tickets per service which must be presented on the day. More information will follow.

FOSTA Christmas Hamper Raffle

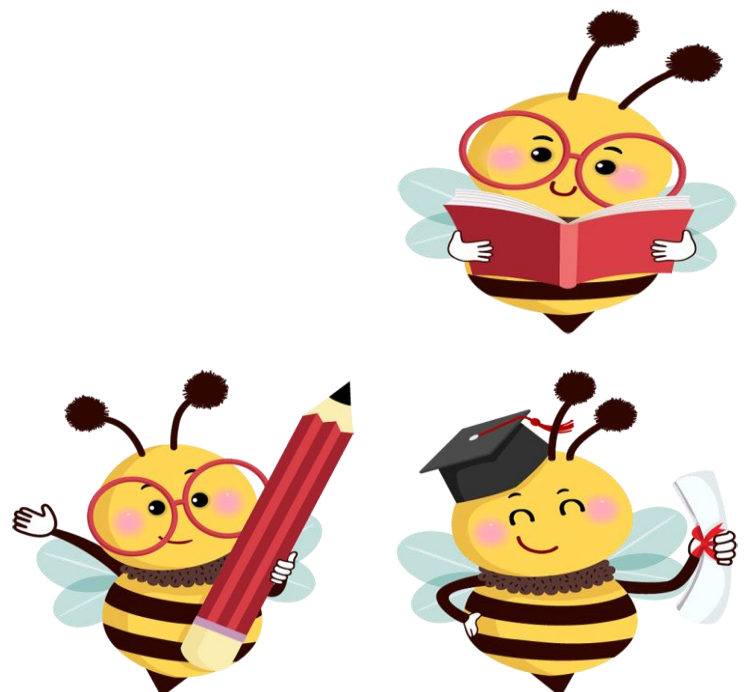
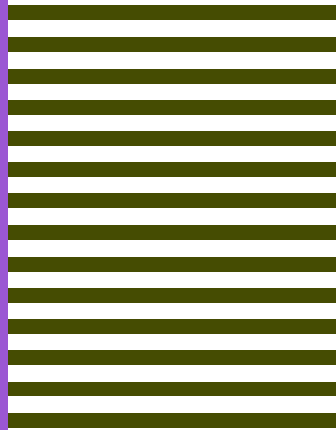
The Christmas Hamper raffle will be drawn in school on Friday, 15th December. All children will be sent home with a book of raffle tickets to sell with the first prize being one of eleven amazing Christmas Hampers. Please can we request that you return your raffle tickets to school by Monday, 11th December along with any unsold tickets in order to adhere with the Lottery Act. Also, please can Hamper items be sent in to school by Friday, 8th December. All money raised will go towards our school mini bus fund. Thank you to everyone for your support.

Nasal Flu Vaccinations – Thursday, 30th November

Just to remind you, Intrahealth will be in school on Thursday, 30th November to administer the nasal flu vaccination to children whose parents have consented to them having it through the Intrahealth link.

Parent Pay

Please can we request that you check your parent pay accounts and clear any outstanding charges if need be. Please can we also remind you, school lunches **must** be paid for in advance at all times and accounts **should never be in deficit balances.**



September 2024 Primary School Application Process

The application process for primary school places is now open and all applications should be completed online at: www.lancashire.gov.uk by Monday, 15th January, 2024.

If your child is baptised Catholic you will also need to complete a supplementary form which is available from the school office. Baptism certificates need to be sent to school with the form.

Exciting Opportunity – Train to Teach in Local Schools

The Catholic Teaching Alliance based at Our Lady's Catholic High School is recruiting for their PGCE with QTS teacher training courses starting in September 2024. Minimum requirements are GCSEs in Maths and English (and Science for primary training), plus an honours degree, class 2:2 or above.

Teacher training (PGCE with QTS) is available in all phases:

Early Primary (3-7 years)

General Primary (5-11 years)

Secondary (11-16 years)

Secondary with post 16 (14-19 years)

For further information, or to book onto one of the online information sessions, call 01772 326931 or email CTAPGCE@olchs.lancs.sch.uk

