

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



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Star of the Week Awards

Friday, 1st December, 2023

Rec S	James W-A			Rec T	Benett Joseph J
1/2S	George K	1/2T	Elsie M	1/2A	Jemima D
3/4S	Evie S	3/4T	Lucy S	3/4A	Isaac S
5/6S	Jessie B	5/6T	Annaleese R	5/6A	Thomas M

Citizen Award

Rec T	Scarlett C
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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 three of the Autumn/Winter menu

Week 12

Head Teacher Appointment

The interviews have taken place for the new Head Teacher for St Anthony's and Mrs Jane Barnes will take over at Easter. Mrs Barnes is a member of St Anthony's Parish and is currently the Head Teacher of St Wulstan's in Fleetwood. Mrs Berry will be the interim Head Teacher, however chose not to apply for the position and the good news is that she will continue in her role at St Anthony's to support children and families. I am sure that you will support Mrs Berry in the short term and welcome Mrs Barnes after Easter.

Weather

We have had frosty days this week and although the children have been able to go out it has been icy on the playground in parts. Please can we ask that you make sure that children come to school in suitable footwear and warm clothing.

Advent

Sunday is the start of advent and we will be lighting our first candle in assembly on Monday. This is a time to prepare ourselves for the birth of our Lord.

Lord God

Help us to get ourselves ready to welcome you into our lives.

Amen

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Ballard



Congratulations to Miss Clarke's 1/2S Class for
gaining the most certificates this week



Most correct answers in Year 5/6 - Zack R-G

Most correct answers in Year 3/4 - Dillan W

Most correct answers in Year 1/2 - Jakub K

Attendance

Massive well done to our Reception T children who have achieved 100% attendance this week. The children will be awarded an extra playtime or a treat of their choice next week to say well done. Our overall attendance percentage this week is 94.7%.

Sunday Mass

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

Date	Adult
3 rd December	Mrs Berry
10 th December	Miss Clarke

Weekly Friday Mass

Next Friday, 8th December, all children from Year 5/6 will be attending the 9.15am mass.



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, 24th November to Thursday, 30th November

Class	% Attendance
Rec S	94.8%
Rec T	100.0%
1/2S	89.7%
1/2T	90.3%
1/2A	91.7%
3/4S	93.7%
3/4T	94.0%
3/4A	96.7%
5/6S	98.4%
5/6T	96.8%
5/6A	96.5%
Whole School	94.7%
Whole School Target	96.0%

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.

Tempest Photographs

Tempest has extended the date for free delivery of photographs to school to Wednesday, 6th December. Orders need to be placed through the Tempest website using your unique link or by visiting www.tempest-orders.co.uk If you need any assistance ordering your photos, please contact Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 3).

FOSTA Christmas Hamper Raffle

The Christmas Hamper raffle will be drawn in school on Friday, 15th December. All children have been 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 to school by Friday, 8th December. All money raised will go towards our school mini bus fund. Thank you to everyone for your support.

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.



Site Supervisor Vacancy – 26.25 hours per week

Cleaner Vacancy – 7.50 hours per week –

3.30pm-5.00pm

If either of the above two vacancies are of interest to you, or you know someone who might be interested, please contact the school office on 01772 726621 for more information.

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.**

Polite Reminder

Please can we remind you that, if your child is going to be absent from school for any reason, you need to notify the office or leave a message on the absence line prior to the start of the school day. This is particularly important for absences of children who walk/cycle to school on their own.

Polite Reminder

Please can we remind you to only park in the designated car park spaces during school drop off and pick up times. We are finding that cars are being parked in close proximity to the crossing and car park entrance/exits which is making it difficult for children to see cars travelling through the car park.

National wraparound childcare programme

Please find attached to this week’s newsletter a letter and flyer from Lancashire County Council’s Childcare Sufficiency Team regarding the national wraparound childcare programme.

September 2024 Primary School Application Process

The application process for primary school places is open and 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.

