

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

## ST ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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### STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS

FRIDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER, 2024

<b>Rec S</b>	Harrison N			<b>Rec T</b>	Hallie-Mae H
<b>1/2S</b>	Arthur B	<b>1/2T</b>	Sonny D	<b>1/2A</b>	Isabel F-B
<b>3S</b>	Dexter B	<b>3/4T</b>	Elena I	<b>4A</b>	Holly G
<b>5S</b>	Imogen S	<b>5/6T</b>	Ola K	<b>6A</b>	Eman B

### CITIZEN AWARD

<b>5/6T</b>	William C
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We returned for our new half term this week and already are very busy with all our extra-curricular clubs, class assemblies and Masses. In addition, we have our Forest School back up and running with Year 4A first in action – everyone else to follow!

It was great to see so many parents attending our first Parents' Evening of the year on Wednesday – if you were unable to make it, please contact your child's class teacher to arrange for a catch-up.

Our consultation regarding converting to an academy joining the Mater Ecclesiae Catholic Multi Academy Trust starts today – information has been emailed out and is on our website. We are excited by the prospect of working together with a wider family of Catholic schools.

As it is All Saints Day today, the whole school attended Mass this morning – well done to our Reception Classes who joined us in church for Mass for the first time.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Barnes

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### SCHOOL DAY

School starts at 8.45am with doors opening from 8.40am

All children must be in class for 8.45am prompt in readiness for morning registration

School finishes at 3.15pm

### SCHOOL MEALS

Week commencing 4<sup>th</sup> November will be week 3 of the Autumn/Winter Menu

Key stage 2 school meals are now charged at £2.70 per day for paying parents

## Baby News

Congratulations on the wonderful news that Mrs Carroll is expecting and she is hoping to be with us until February half term, baby allowing.

## FOSTA News

### Christmas Family Disco



Tickets will go on sale through parent pay accounts from Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> November. These are on a first come basis with numbers being limited to 100. Children will need to be accompanied by an adult who must also have a ticket.

### FOSTA Treasurer Vacancy

FOSTA's treasurer, Sharon Davies, is stepping down this year and FOSTA are looking for a new treasurer to join the committee. If anyone is interested, or would like more information, please contact the school office. The role involves ordering/collecting floats for events, banking income and managing the bank accounts.

### Poppy Appeal

We are pleased to be supporting the Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal again this year. Poppies and other merchandise ranging from 20p to £1.50 are now on sale on a first come basis. Thank you for supporting this worthwhile charity.



## *Dates for your diary*

**Meet the Teacher** – Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> September – 3.25pm  
**New School Year Mass** – Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> September – 9.15am  
**Y5S Class Assembly** – Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> September – 9.00am  
**Y1/2S Class Mass** – Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> September – 9.15am  
**Y5/6T Class Assembly** – Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> October – 9.00am  
**Y1/2T Class Mass** – Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> October – 9.15am  
**Y1/2A Class Mass** – Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> October – 9.15am  
**Harvest Festival** – Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> October – 9.15am  
**Y4A Class Assembly** – Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> October – 9.00am  
**Y3S Class Mass** – Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> October – 9.15am  
**Show Racism the Red Card** – Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> October  
**Half Term** – Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> – Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> October  
**Y3/4T Class Assembly** – Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> October – 9.00am  
**Y6A Class Mass** – Wednesday, 30<sup>th</sup> October – 9.15am  
**Parents' Evening** – Wednesday, 30<sup>th</sup> October  
**Whole School Mass** – All Saints Day Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> November – 9.15am  
**Y3S Class Assembly** – Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> November – 9.00am  
**Y5/6T Class Mass** – Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> November – 9.15am  
**Open Day / Evening for new starters** – Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> November  
**Y1/2S Class Assembly** – Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> November – 9.00am  
**Y5S Class Mass** – Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> November – 9.15am  
**Y1/2T Class Assembly** – Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> November – 9.00am  
**Y4A Class Mass** – Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> November – 9.15am  
**School Photographs** – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November  
**Y1/2A Class Assembly** – Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> November – 9.00am  
**Y3/4T Class Mass** – Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> November – 9.15am  
**LKS2 Advent Service** – Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> December – 6.00pm  
**Rec T Class Mass** – Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> December – 9.15am  
**Y6A Class Assembly** – Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> December – 9.00am  
**Rec S Class Mass** – Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> December – 9.15am  
**KS1 Nativity** – Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> December – 2.15pm / 5.15pm  
**UKS2 Carol Service** – Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> December – 6.00pm  
**EYFS Nativity** – Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> December – 10.00am / 2.15pm  
**Whole School Mass** – Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> December – 9.15am  
**School Closes for Christmas** – Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> December – 1.30pm

### **Reception 2025 Intake Open Afternoon / Evening**

We will be hosting an Open Afternoon / Evening for new starters on Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> November. New parents are welcome to visit between 1.30pm and 3.00pm when you can see the school in action or between 3.45pm and 6.00pm. No appointment necessary!

## Fairtrade Warriors News

Our FTW have been busy during the first half term making preparations for our new campaign along the Fairtrade Fortnight theme in September of 'Be the Change'.

This week during worship, they launched the new campaign: **'Be the Change – Save the Change'**



This is an inter-class competition to raise money for the Fairtrade Foundation. Each class has been given a special 'Save the Change' bottle to try and fill with loose change. Interval lines have been marked on the bottles as reward incentives for the class as they try to be the first to fill it!

We would appreciate your support from home by allowing your child to bring into school any loose change that you are happy to donate.

So far, it looks like Mr Martin's class is doing very well!  
Thank you  
Fairtrade Warriors

## Forest School at St. Anthony's



We are delighted to say that our Forest School sessions have recommenced this week. Our Year 4 children, along with Miss Clarke and Mrs Thornton, had a brilliant day litter picking, rope swinging, cooking up a treat in the mud kitchen and, most importantly, ensuring that our environment is safe and free from danger. A special thank you goes to our fantastic FOSTA team and yourselves who have made this possible through fundraising initiatives. We know that the rest of the children can't wait for their turn!!!

Attendance – Friday, 18th October to Thursday, 31st October

Class	% Attendance
Rec S	92.3%
Rec T	93.2%
1/2S	93.3%
1/2T	94.8%
1/2A	94.0%
3S	91.3%
3/4T	95.9%
4A	94.5%
5S	94.5%
<b>5/6T</b>	<b>99.4%</b>
6A	96.6%
Whole School	<b>94.6%</b>
Whole School	
Target	<b>96.0%</b>

**Attendance Winners** - A huge well done to class 5/6T who have achieved 99.4% attendance this week.

**No Lates** - A huge well done to classes Reception T and 1/2S who have had no lates this week.

## Attendance Reminder

Please can we remind you, if your child is going to be absent from school due to illness, it is essential that you contact the school office before the start of each school day. Unless we hear from you, your child's absence will be recorded as unauthorised.

Any holidays taken during term time will always be unauthorised unless there are exceptional circumstances. Penalty notices may be issued for absences of five days and over.

### Bonfire Lunch – Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> November

We are having the following Bonfire themed lunch on Tuesday. There is no need to book in advance, just let class know on the day, and make the £2.70 payment through your child's parent pay account if applicable. There will also be a jacket potato option with a choice of fillings.



### Cancellation of Wednesday's After School Gymnastics' Club

Due to us holding our Reception 2025 Open Afternoon/Evening this Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> November, we are having to cancel the above club. Sorry for any inconvenience that this may cause.

### Tempest Individual and Family Photographs

Tempest Photography will be visiting school on Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> November, to take individual and family photographs. If you **DO NOT** wish your child to have their photograph taken, please can you inform the school office by emailing office@st-anthonys.lancs.sch.uk no later than Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> November. Parents are welcome to bring other siblings who attend nursery/high school to have a family photograph taken. Please can we ask that you be at school for 8.15am prompt if you wish to take up this offer.

### School Admissions – September 2025

Online applications through:- [www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools) for primary school places for the September 2025 intake are now open with a closing date of:-

Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2025

Please be aware, you should receive an email confirmation of your online application.

If your child is baptised Catholic you will also need to complete a supplementary form which is available from the school office. Baptism Certificates are also required. **Both documents must be handed to school prior to the closing date.**



### Could You Become a Home Start Volunteer?

- Do you or a family member have 2-3 hours per week to spare?
- Do you have parenting experience or experience with children?
- Do you want to give something back to our local community?
- Do you have skills, knowledge or talents that could benefit another family in need of support?

If so get in touch today about volunteering with Home-Start Central Lancashire

#### Available Roles

**In-Home Support Volunteer:** Providing hands on support within the family home over a 12 week period to work towards aims and goals. Full training is provided.

**Social Media Content Volunteer:** We are looking for a talented social media content writer to enhance our social media platforms and to engage with followers.

**Befriending Volunteers:** to offer telephone companionship to families in the local area, who have been identified as requiring support.

**Administration Volunteers:** To assist the office manager and family support team, answer calls and administration duties

Get in touch with us



volmanager@homestartcentrallancs.org.uk



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**OUR  
JINGLE  
BELL JOG  
IS BACK!**

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2024**  
 Arrive from 11.30am - Jog starts 12 noon  
 Where: UCLAN Sports Arena, Preston  
 Why: To have a blast while raising funds for our Children's Fund!

Join us for a fun-filled, festive jog to support our Children's Fund! Bring the whole family along for a day of excitement, featuring special guests, including the big man himself - Santa!

Don't forget to wear your best costume because we'll be awarding prizes for the best festive dress!

Book your tickets today at [www.thcharity.org.uk](http://www.thcharity.org.uk) or contact Lucy Clark at 01772 528906.

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## Autumn/Winter School Meal Menu

F+ Autumn & Winter 2024-2025		MONDAY	SUGARWISE TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	SUGARWISE THURSDAY	FRIDAY FAVOURITES
<b>WEEK ONE</b> Week Commencing: 11th November 2nd & 23rd December 13th January 3rd & 24th February 17th March 7th April	<b>Traditional Choice</b>	Pork or Vegetarian Meatballs with Mild Chili & Sweet Pepper Sauce Mixed Rice & Broccoli Florets	Lancashire Butter Pie with Garden Peas & Carrots or Baked Beans (v)	Roast Chicken or Roast Quorn Fillet & Gravy with Roast Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Booths Beef or Vegetarian Burger in a Bun with Paprika Wedges, Sweetcorn & Tomato Ketchup	Golden Crumb Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Chips Garden Peas or Baked Beans
	<b>Alternative Choice</b>	Macaroni & Cheese with Homemade Crusty Bread & Salad Selection (v)	Loaded Vegetable Quesadilla with Herby Wedges & Salad Selection (v)	Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta with Homemade Herby Bread & Salad Selection (v)	Pasta Twists & Tomato Sauce with Homemade Dough Balls & Salad Selection (v)	Homemade Pizza Margherita with Oven Baked Chips Garden Peas or Baked Beans (v)
	<b>Jackets &amp; Sandwiches</b>	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Choice of filled Sandwich Roll with Oven Baked Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips
	<b>Desserts</b>	Toffee Bananas & Custard or Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Lancashire Cheese & Biscuits or Low Sugar Jelly - Fruit Selection & Milk	Raspberry Bun or Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Lemon Biscuit & Fruit Wedges or Low Sugar Jelly - Fruit Selection & Milk	Cocoa Krispie Cakes - Fruit Selection & Milk
<b>WEEK TWO</b> Week Commencing: 28th October 18th November 8th & 30th December 20th January 10th February 3rd & 24th March 14th April	<b>Traditional Choice</b>	Vegetarian Sausage Roll & Tomato Ketchup with Herby Potatoes & Baked Beans (v)	Crispy Chicken or Vegetable Burger in a Bun with Paprika Wedges Garden Peas & Sweetcorn	Booths Pork or Vegetarian Sausage Toad-in-the-Hole with Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy	Cooks Choice of Chicken or Vegetarian Curry with Mixed Rice & Naan Bread	Harry Ramsden's Crispy Battered Fish with Oven Baked Chips & Mushy Peas
	<b>Alternative Choice</b>	Loaded Pizza Pocket with Tortilla Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips (v)	Pasta Spirals & Tomato Sauce with Homemade Dough Balls & Salad Selection (v)	Oriental Vegetable Noodles with Spring Rolls & Sweet Chili Sauce (v)	Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta with Homemade Herby Bread & Salad Selection (v)	Homemade Pizza Margherita with Oven Baked Chips Sweetcorn or Baked Beans (v)
	<b>Jackets &amp; Sandwiches</b>	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Choice of filled Sandwiches with Oven Baked Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips
	<b>Desserts</b>	Toffee Traybake & Custard or Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Vanilla Biscuit & Fruit Wedges or Low Sugar Jelly - Fruit Selection & Milk	Strawberry Mousse or Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Lancashire Cheese & Biscuits or Low Sugar Jelly - Fruit Selection & Milk	Chocolate Cookie - Fruit Selection & Milk
<b>WEEK THREE</b> Week Commencing: 4th & 25th November 16th December 6th & 27th January 17th February 10th & 31st March 21st April	<b>Traditional Choice</b>	Big Brunch Booths Pork or Quorn Sausages Free Range Omelette Crispy Potatoes & Baked Beans	Savoury Beef or Quorn Mince & Dumplings with Mashed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Roast Chicken or Roast Quorn Fillet & Gravy with Roast Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Puff Pastry Cheese Whirl with Herby Wedges & Baked Beans (v)	Golden Crumb Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Chips Garden Peas or Baked Beans
	<b>Alternative Choice</b>	Golden Crumb Salmon Fillet Fingers with Crispy Potatoes Garden Peas & Sweetcorn	Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta with Homemade Herby Bread & Salad Selection (v)	Vegetable & Chick Pea Curry with Mixed Rice & Naan Bread (v)	Spaghetti Bolognese with Homemade Dough Balls & Salad Selection	Homemade Pizza Margherita with Oven Baked Chips Garden Peas or Baked Beans (v)
	<b>Jackets &amp; Sandwiches</b>	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Choice of filled Sandwich Roll with Oven Baked Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips
	<b>Desserts</b>	Rice Pudding & Fruit Jam or Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Lancashire Cheese & Biscuits or Low Sugar Jelly - Fruit Selection & Milk	Oaty Flapjack or Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Shortbread Biscuit & Fruit Wedges or Low Sugar Jelly - Fruit Selection & Milk	Chocolate Cupcake - Fruit Selection & Milk