

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

ST ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS

FRIDAY, 22ND NOVEMBER, 2024

Rec S	Ariana K			Rec T	Eva P
1/2S	Maddison G	1/2T	Jake H	1/2A	Amelia C
3S	Lucy H	3/4T	Jenson R-H	4A	James K
5S	Aaron W	5/6T	Clerin B	6A	Freddie H

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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 25th 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

A huge well done to our Mini-Vinnies group and everyone who provided cakes for last Sunday's coffee morning – they raised an amazing £90 for the SVP.

Thank you to the parents who attended the MAT consultation meeting on Wednesday evening. It was good to hear questions being raised with Peter Duffy, CEO of the MAT. The consultation runs until Friday, 29th November, and views can be shared by emailing consultation@st-anthonys.lancs.sch.uk. The governors will then meet on Wednesday, 4th December, to consider views raised during the consultation and their decision will be shared on Friday, 6th December.

Now the weather has turned colder, please do take care on the car park and paths around school – it can be very slippery.

Have a good weekend!

Mrs Barnes

Sporting Success

On Tuesday, six of our Year 5/6 children competed in the annual Bob Alexander Memorial Triathlon event at Fulwood Leisure Centre and High School. The event involved a gruelling 25m swim, gym challenges and a 2400m relay race. With all activities taking place in a two hour period, the event required stamina, determination, teamwork and skill and the children did a wonderful job, representing St Anthony's with pride and enthusiasm. Well done Lilly, Matilda, Amira, Lucas, Oliver and George!



Frozen running stars!

Well done to our 19 running heroes who braved the chilli, -4-degree temperature, to attend running club on Wednesday morning - an amazing effort from you all (and Mrs Livesey and Mrs Berry 😊). Keep running!



Weather

Cold and frosty days have now arrived so please can we ask that you make sure that children come to school in suitable footwear and a warm coat. Please can you also label any hats, scarves and gloves in case we need to reunite them with their owner.



Dates for your diary

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

Advent Service

All the children from Years 3 and 4 will be leading the Advent Service in church on Tuesday, 3rd December, at 6.00pm but everyone is welcome to attend.

Reception Stay and Play

The Reception team are holding a Stay and Play session on Wednesday, 27th November. All Reception parents are welcome to attend the session that will run from 9.00am-10.30am. Children will need to be dropped off in time for morning registration and parents are then to go round to the school entrance area to wait to be taken down to class. The team look forward to you joining them.

Lancashire Day Promotional Lunch

On Wednesday, 27th November, we will be having the following promotional lunch to celebrate Lancashire Day. There is no need to book in advance, just let class know on the day and, for our Key Stage 2 parents, please make the payment through your parent pay accounts if relevant.



There will also be the Jacket Potato with choice of fillings option.

Attendance – Friday, 15th November to Thursday, 21st November, 2024

Class	% Attendance
Rec S	93.9%
Rec T	92.7%
1/2S	99.3%
1/2T	97.4%
1/2A	96.7%
3S	95.0%
3/4T	97.9%
4A	99.4%
5S	93.9%
5/6T	97.7%
6A	93.1%
Whole School	96.2%
Whole School	96.0%
Target	

Attendance Winners - A huge well done to class 4A who have achieved 99.4% attendance this week.

No Lates - A huge well done to classes 1/2S and 1/2A 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

Whole School Break time Snack

From next term, **all children in school** will be able to have break time toast or fruit toast. Payment can be made through parent pay accounts from next week until Friday, 13th December. Unfortunately, we will not be able to take orders after the deadline day.

Whole School Milk

Next term's milk can now be purchased through parent pay accounts with a deadline date of Friday, 13th December. Unfortunately, we will not be able to take orders after the deadline day.

FTW Campaign: 'Be the Change – Save the Change'



Our 'Be the Change – Save the Change' campaign continues. Several classes are reaching their second and third incentive lines and being rewarded in their class. Some classes so far have had extra playtime, biscuit treats, extra Ipad time to name a few.

This week our leading class bottles are: 4A and 5/6T

Thank you once again. We are fully appreciative of the donations you make and hope that you continue to donate your loose change.



School Admissions – September 2025

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

Wednesday, 15th 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.

FOSTA News

Christmas Hamper Raffle Donations

As is tradition, we are collecting items for our class Christmas hampers that we will be raffling in school on Thursday, 19th December. Each class teacher has a list of suggested items and we would be grateful if you could sign up to donate one of the items from the list. Please can you send your donations to school by Friday, 13th December, so that the FOSTA team have time to make up each class hamper. We will be sending home books of raffle tickets next week for you to have a chance of winning your class hamper.

Christmas Fair Non-Uniform Day – Friday, 29th November

On Friday, 29th November, we will be having our second FOSTA non-uniform day. FOSTA are asking for Christmas fair donations of toy, gift and craft items for lucky dip, stocking fillers and tombola prizes.

Christmas Fair – Friday, 6th December

The Christmas fair will take place in school on Friday, 6th December, commencing in the afternoon and continuing after school when parents are welcome to join their children. There will be stalls and Christmas games costing between 50p and £1.00 and children are invited to bring some money to spend. OLCBS Y10 entrepreneurs will also be running a stall as will our Mini-Vinnies and we will have a special visit from Father Christmas.

A big thank you from FOSTA for all of your support, it is very much appreciated.

Plea for unwanted wool/yarn

If anyone has any spare/unwanted wool/yarn we would be extremely grateful if you could consider donating it to school for craft activities. Many thanks in advance.

Parent Pay Accounts

Please can we ask that our Key Stage 2 parents log into your child's parent pay account and ensure that there are no outstanding balances for school lunches. Please can we remind you that ALL meals must be paid for in advance.

Polite notice regarding parking

Please can we request that you be considerate of our neighbouring residents when parking and that you refrain from blocking their driveways or using them as turning points.

Polite Reminder – No Dogs on School Premises

A parent has contacted us regarding an incident of dog fouling on the school path during pick up time. Please can we remind you that dogs are not allowed on the school premises.

Advance Notice - Christmas Jumper Day

We will be having our Christmas Jumper Day on Thursday, 19th December, to coincide with our Christmas lunch.




OUR JINGLE BELL JOG IS BACK!

Sunday 1st 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!

Just £3 per person
 £10 for a family of 4

Join us for a fun-filled 1-mile 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 fancy dress!

Book your tickets today at www.lthcharity.org.uk or contact Lucy Clark at 01772 528500.

We can't wait to see you there!

Scan to sign up!

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Join **SAINT ANTHONY'S SINGERS** for a

CAROL CONCERT
 with Nativity readings

featuring children from St Anthony's Primary School


St Anthony's Church, Cadley Causeway
 2.00pm Sunday 15 December 2024

and afterwards a
Festive Singalong
 with *LOST & FOUND*



in St Anthony's Club
 Refreshments available.
 Pocket money presents, Auction and Sale of Work
 Cash only please

All proceeds to our 2024 Parish Charities:
 * The Mary O'Gara Foundation
 * Sightsavers



Christmas Events

All the children are involved in one of our special events over Advent and Christmas.

Years 3 and 4 have an Advent Service in church on Tuesday, 3rd December at 6.00pm.

Years 1 and 2 have two Nativities in church on Wednesday, 11th December at 2.15pm and 5.15pm.

Years 5 and 6 have a Carol Service in church on Tuesday, 17th December at 6.00pm.

The Reception Classes have Nativities in school on Wednesday, 18th December at 10.00am and 2.15pm

Parents are welcome at all events.

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THE WORD

SHARING SUNDAY'S GOSPEL

A Gift to You & Your Family

from Your Catholic School

Wednesday 20th November 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

This Sunday is the last in the Church's year. It is the day on which we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. This feast presents a golden opportunity for us to make a new start with Jesus - the Universal King. It is a celebration to which all are warmly invited.

The Gospel reminds us that Jesus' kingship is not one of political power, crowns and splendour, but one of peace and truth. He is not an earthly king - his kingdom is heaven.

Jesus stands up for God's true values of love and forgiveness and leads us into the truth. He also reveals to us the truth about ourselves.

Enjoy a very special time together this evening, hearing your child's thoughts about this Sunday's Gospel and this Wednesday's word, which is **LEADER**.


Dom Henry Warbrough

A Word from Pope Francis

"Jesus leads us to go out from ourselves more and more, to give ourselves and to serve others, leading us on our journey towards eternal life."

THE GOSPEL IN CHURCH

Sunday 24th November 2024



At Jesus' trial, Pilate called Jesus and asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" Jesus replied, "Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to you about me?" Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?" Jesus replied, "Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, my followers would have fought to prevent my being handed over. But my kingdom is not of this kind." "So you are a king then?" said Pilate. "It is you who say it," answered Jesus. "Yes, I am a king. I was born for this; I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice."

Adapted from John 18:33-37
Christ the King, Year II

Getting to know Jesus makes life joyful.
Learn more about this Sunday's Gospel in your local Parish Church: all are very warmly invited.

2024 The Year of Prayer: Family Time Prayer & Share

Good News for Everyone

Jesus' leadership really does help family relationships to thrive. Jesus' truth has stood the test of time and leads us into the joys of everlasting life. Choosing to be formed and led by Jesus provides a secure foundation for our lives.

SPREAD THE WORD and bring GOOD NEWS to your friends by sharing THE WEDNESDAY WORD

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NEW SCHOOL OPENING JANUARY 2025

EXCITING NEWS!

BOOK YOUR
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TASTER DAY!!!

We're thrilled to announce the launch of **Players Drama School at Preston College!**

Join us for a **FREE taster day** on any Saturday in January 2025, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

Experience the magic of the performing arts with engaging, hour-long sessions in **acting, singing, and dancing.**

Don't miss this chance to explore your passion, meet new friends, and discover everything we have to offer!

To reserve your spot, simply text your child's name, school year, and the Saturday you'd like to attend to **Rebecca on 07368 342092**

We can't wait to welcome you to Players Drama School!

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