

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

## ST ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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#### STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS FRIDAY, 28<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2025

<i>Rec S</i>	<i>Daniels O</i>			<i>Rec T</i>	<i>Olive D</i>
<i>1/2S</i>	<i>Tilly B</i>	<i>1/2T</i>	<i>Nylah S</i>	<i>1/2A</i>	<i>Ronnie W</i>
<i>3S</i>	<i>Theo S</i>	<i>3/4T</i>	<i>Smit P</i>	<i>4A</i>	<i>Amelia H</i>
<i>5S</i>	<i>Tristan E</i>	<i>5/6T</i>	<i>Oliver S</i>	<i>6A</i>	<i>Hope W</i>

#### HEADTEACHER AWARDS

<i>Lucca F</i>	<i>3S</i>
<i>Rico A</i>	<i>5/6T</i>

#### CITIZEN AWARDS

<i>Caleb B</i>	<i>3S</i>
<i>Betty P</i>	<i>5/6T</i>

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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 31<sup>st</sup> March 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

Well done to all the children who entered the Jubilee Year of Hope Art Competition and thank you to the parents who came to the exhibition and voted. Our three school winners from Key Stage 1 are Gabriela P, Ava W, and Elsie W and our three school winners from Key Stage 2 are Tessa M, Jemima D and Amira R. We will be sending the children's entries to the Diocese for judging as part of the wider Diocese competition – we wish them lots of luck!

The children are continuing with the Big Lent Walk, with most classes now exceeding the class target of 200km. Please can we encourage you to begin collecting the sponsor money and sending it in from next week. We are hoping to raise a reasonable amount for CAFOD in order to support their campaign against world poverty.

Wishing all mums a happy Mother's Day for Sunday – hopefully, the weather will be nice and the children will treat you!

Have a good weekend!

Mrs. Barnes

### Sporting Wow Moment

We are incredibly proud of our Year 3/4 boys' football team who finished a fantastic 3rd place in the Sir Tom Finney Cup! Despite a heart-breaking semi-final loss on penalties, the boys showed incredible resilience and determination, bouncing back with a dominant 4-0 victory over Alston Lane in the 3rd place playoff, a truly remarkable achievement for a team playing their first competitive matches.



### Polite Reminders

Please can we remind you of the following:-

All children should be wearing black school shoes and NOT black trainers.

Children should not be arriving at school before 8.30am. We do have before school extra-curricular clubs and the Breakfast Club available if you need an earlier drop off.

### Uniform Swap Shop

As part of our contribution to the environment, we will be offering another 'uniform swap shop' from Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> April until Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> April. The swap shop gives families the opportunity to recycle and reuse school uniform so please feel free to pop in to the school foyer to see if there are any items of suitable uniform.

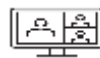
### School Led Before and After School Extra-curricular Clubs

All school led before and after school extra-curricular clubs will finish next Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> April until after Easter. Information about next term's clubs will follow.

### Whole School Summer Term Milk and Break time Snack

The deadline date for placing next term's milk and toast/fruit toast orders through your child's parent pay account is next Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> April. Please be aware, we will not be able to take any further orders after deadline day.

### *Dates for your diary*



~~Y5/6 Greek History Day~~ – Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> January

~~Whole School Mass~~ – Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> January – 9.15am

~~Extra-curricular clubs begin~~ – Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> January

~~Y5S Class Assembly~~ – Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> January – 9.05am

~~Y5/6 Crucial Crew visit at UCLAN~~

~~Y3S Class Mass~~ – Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> January – 9.15am

~~Y3/4T Class Assembly~~ – Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> January – 9.05am

~~Y5/6T Class Mass~~ – Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> January – 9.15am

~~Y1/2S Class Mass~~ – Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> January – 9.15am

~~Y1/2T Class Assembly~~ – Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> January – 9.05am

~~RecS & RecT Class Assembly~~ – Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> February – 9.05am

~~Y6A Class Mass~~ – Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> February – 9.15am

~~NSPCC Number Day (Dressing-up)~~ – Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> February

~~St. Anthony's (has) Got Talent~~ – Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> February – 6.00pm

~~Y4A Class Assembly~~ – Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February – 9.05am

~~Y1/2A Class Mass~~ – Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> February – 9.15am

~~Half Term~~ – Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> February – Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> February

~~Inset Day~~ – Monday, 24<sup>th</sup> February

~~Y5S Class Mass~~ – Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> February – 9.15am

~~Y5/6T Class Assembly~~ – Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> March – 9.05am

~~Whole School Mass (Ash Wednesday)~~ – 5<sup>th</sup> March – 9.15am

~~World Book Day (Dressing-up)~~ – Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> March

~~Y1/2S Class Assembly~~ – Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> March – 9.05am

~~Y3/4 Class Mass~~ – Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> March – 9.15am

~~Y3S Class Assembly~~ – Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> March – 9.05am

~~Y1/2T Class Mass~~ – Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> March – 9.15am

~~Parents Consultation Meetings~~ – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March

~~Tempest Photography – Class/Group Photos~~ – Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> March

~~Y6A Class Assembly~~ – Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> March – 9.05am **(postponed)**

~~Y4A Class Mass~~ – Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> March – 9.15am

~~Art Exhibition~~ – Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> March – 3.15pm

~~Y1/2A Class Assembly~~ – Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> April – 9.05am

~~RecS & RecT Class Mass~~ – Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April – 9.15am

~~Easter Reflection~~ – Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> April

~~Close for Easter~~ – Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> April at 1.30pm

### Advance Notice 2025 Statutory Assessments

Year 6 statutory assessments will take place from Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> May to Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> May inclusive and children in Year 1 will undertake their phonics screening week commencing 9<sup>th</sup> June.

### Outstanding Parent Pay Account Message

We are approaching our financial year end and kindly ask that all parent pay accounts be in credit for school meals prior to next term. Failure to do so will result in you being requested to send your child with a packed lunch when we return to school after Easter.



This year's Easter Lunch will take place on Thursday, 10th April. There is no need to book in advance, just let class know on the day and make the payment in advance through your parent pay accounts if applicable. There will also be a Jacket Potato alternative with the usual choice of fillings.

### School Sports Kits Plea

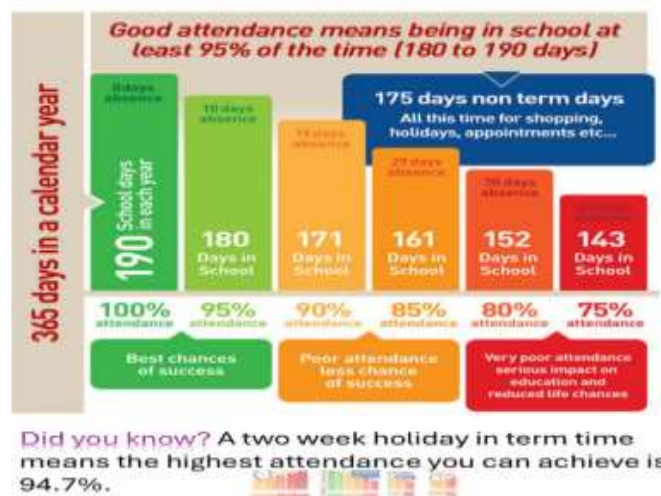
We have noticed that our school sports kits are depleting and, therefore, kindly ask that those of you whose children represent school in sporting fixtures check at home for any kits belonging to school. Please return any retrieved items to the school office.

### FOSTA Easter Family Bingo – Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> April

We have a limited number of tickets available for FOSTA's Easter Family Bingo Evening taking place in St. Anthony's Social Club on Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> April. Doors will open from 6:00pm with Bingo starting at 6:30pm.

Tickets cost £1.00 per person, payable through your parent pay accounts. Bingo books will be on sale at the event, there will also be a raffle and other games so please bring cash with you. The evening is a family event so **everyone** needs a ticket and all children **MUST** be accompanied by an adult.

### Attendance – Friday, 21st March to Thursday, 27th March 2025



Class	% Attendance
Rec S	94.3%
Rec T	96.4%
1/2S	93.7%
<b>1/2T</b>	<b>97.4%</b>
1/2A	92.0%
3S	96.9%
3/4T	94.3%
4A	93.2%
5S	94.5%
5/6T	92.9%
6A	93.8%
Whole School	94.4%
Whole School Target	96.0%

**Attendance Winners** - A huge well done to class 1/2T who have achieved 97.4% attendance this week.

**Punctuality** – Registration is at 8.45am prompt and when a child arrives in class after 8.45am they receive a late mark. Arriving on time is important, being late means that children miss the start of lessons, which means lost learning.



**No Lates** Well done to classes Reception T and 1/2A who have had no late marks this week.

### Attendance Reminder

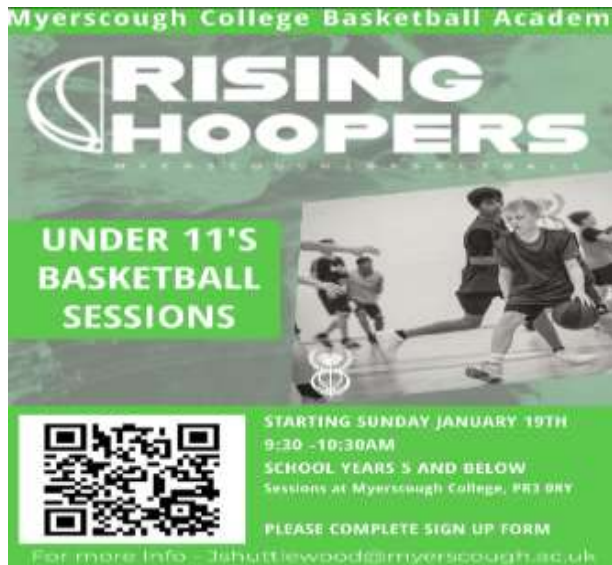
Please can we remind you, if your child is going to be absent from school due to illness, it is essential that you contact the school office before the start of each school day. Your child's absence will be recorded as unauthorised unless we hear from you.

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.



### Under 11s Basketball Sessions

The Coach from Myerscough College Basketball Academy has requested that we share their advertisement poster with yourselves. The basketball sessions, which started in January of this year, have been a success and the coaching staff are hoping to continue to grow the sessions further.



Myerscough College Basketball Academy

# RIISING HOOPERS

UNDER 11'S BASKETBALL SESSIONS

STARTING SUNDAY JANUARY 19TH  
9:30 - 10:30AM  
SCHOOL YEARS 5 AND BELOW  
Sessions at Myerscough College, PRESTON

PLEASE COMPLETE SIGN UP FORM

For more info - [jshuttlewood@myerscough.ac.uk](mailto:jshuttlewood@myerscough.ac.uk)



The Great Preston Fairtrade Egg Hunt is back for a second year running and the Fairtrade team are inviting families to join them for a chance to win Fairtrade chocolate.

Thirteen knitted eggs will be located in the window or counter of businesses in the city centre. Each egg will display a letter which, when joined together, will spell out a well-known phrase.

Maps and entry forms are obtainable from the Guild Hall Library or from one of the following businesses: Lush, Holland & Barrett, Body Shop, Central Methodist Church, Oxfam and Waterstones.

Completed entries are returnable to the Library or Central Methodist Church.

The Hunt can be done any time between Saturday, 5th April and Saturday, 19th April. Have a Happy Fairtrade Easter from the team.



## 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](mailto:volmanager@homestartcentrallancs.org.uk)



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### Volunteer Qualities

- Must be over 18 years old to volunteer
- Have a positive attitude and a caring nature
- Good communication and interpersonal skills
- Passionate about supporting, enabling and empowering people who are vulnerable, isolated or in need of support
- Have a non-judgemental attitude to working with people of any, gender, family status, sexual identity, ethnic origin, culture, religion or disability.
- You must understand that some of our families are vulnerable, and it would be an advantage if you had an awareness of key issues such as alcohol, drug abuse and mental health; however, this is not a compulsory requirement as training is provided.
- You must always apply the strictest confidence with regard to the sensitivity of those that you are supporting.
- You must be able to provide a clear DBS, if you do not have a current certificate this can be applied for.

### Training and on going support for volunteers

Volunteers are thoroughly trained and supported before and during their time supporting families. You can expect:

- Self-directed and instructor-led induction program training, that is delivered both online and in person.
- Ongoing training in specific areas including trauma-informed practice, domestic violence, abuse, and attachment theory.
- Annual refresher training to ensure you are up to date with all statutory requirements
- Regular support and supervision sessions with an experienced family support coordinator
- Paid expenses when you complete your training and are actively supporting a family within their home

### Areas we cover: Chorley, Preston, South Ribble and West Lancashire



To find about volunteering or to complete an expression of interest please scan the QR code which will take you to our website.



# Menu

**Serving Fantastic Lunches Everyday** - All menus are planned to comply with School Food Standards and all new dishes are tested by children. Our meat is Red Tractor Farm Assured, our fish is MSC certified and we also use a number of Free Range products throughout the menu. There is always fresh fruit and salad, bread and locally produced yoghurt available daily.

## Week 1

Week Commencing  
28th April  
19th May  
9th June  
30th June  
21st July  
1st September  
22nd September  
13th October  
3rd November

	MONDAY	SUGARWISE TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	SUGARWISE THURSDAY	FRIDAY FAVOURITES
<b>Traditional Main Course</b>	Oriental Style Chicken & Sweetcorn Meatballs with Mixed Rice or Noodles	Puff Pastry Cheese Wheel with Herby Potatoes Garden Peas or Baked Beans (V)	Roast Gherkin or Vegetarian Meatballs with Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy	Booths Beef or Vegetable Burger with Tortilla Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips	Golden Crumb Fish or Vegetable Fingers with Oven Baked Chips Garden Peas or Baked Beans
<b>Alternative Choice</b>	Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta with Homemade Herby Bread & Salad Selection (V)	Vegetable Tikka Curry with Mixed Rice & Nuan Bread (V)	Summer Picnic Lunch Barley Sausage Roll Assorted Sandwiches Tortilla Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips	Pasta Tubex & 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>	Choice of Filled Sandwiches with Tortilla Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips	Cooks Choice of Filled Oven Baked Jacket Potatoes with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cooks Choice of Filled Oven Baked Jacket Potatoes with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cooks Choice of Filled Oven Baked Jacket Potatoes with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Choice of Filled Sandwiches with Oven Baked Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips
<b>Dessert Choices</b>	Sticky Toffee Cupcake Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Vanilla Shortbread & Fruit Wedges Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Ice Cream & Dessert Sauce Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Mixed Fruit Medley Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Chocolate Cookie Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk

## Week 2

Week Commencing  
9th May  
28th May  
18th June  
7th July  
28th July  
8th September  
29th September  
20th October

	MEAT FREE MONDAY	SUGARWISE TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	SUGARWISE THURSDAY	FRIDAY FAVOURITES
<b>Traditional Main Course</b>	Vegetarian Sausage Roll with Herby Potatoes Mixed Vegetable Medley or Baked Beans (V)	Southern Style Chicken Goujons & Dips with Mild Chilli Wedges Garden Peas & Sweetcorn	Booths Pork or Vegetarian Sausages & Yorkshire Pudding with Mashed Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy	Cooks Choice of Chicken or Vegetarian Curry with Mixed Rice & Nuan Bread	Herby Remade's Crispy Battered Fish or Vegetable Fingers with Oven Baked Chips & Mushy Peas
<b>Alternative Choice</b>	Loaded Vegetable & Baked Bean Tots with Rainbow Vegetable Rice (V)	Mac 'n' Cheese with Homemade Crusty Bread & Mixed Salad (V)	Spaghetti Amabats with Homemade Dough Balls & Salad Selection (V)	Homemade Cheese Pan with Baby Potatoes Baked Beans or Mixed Salad (V)	Homemade Pizza Margherita with Oven Baked Chips & Sweetcorn (V)
<b>Jackets &amp; Sandwiches</b>	Cooks Choice of Filled Oven Baked Jacket Potatoes with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection (V)	Choice of Filled Sandwiches with Tortilla Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips	Cooks Choice of Filled Oven Baked Jacket Potatoes with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cooks Choice of Filled Oven Baked Jacket Potatoes with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Choice of Filled Sandwiches with Oven Baked Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips
<b>Dessert Choices</b>	Marble Tiramisu & Chocolate Sauce Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Lancashire Cheese & Crackers Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Raspberry Bun: Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Lemon Blacoll & Fruit Wedges Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Cocoa Waffle Cake Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk

## Week 3

Week Commencing  
21st April  
12th May  
2nd June  
23rd June  
14th July  
15th September  
6th October  
27th October

	MONDAY	SUGARWISE TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	SUGARWISE THURSDAY	FRIDAY FAVOURITES
<b>Traditional Main Course</b>	Booths Pork or Vegetarian Sausage Hot Dog & Tomato Ketchup with Potato Wedges Garden Peas & Sweetcorn	Golden Crumb Salmon or Vegetable Fingers with Paprika Potatoes Mixed Vegetable Medley or Baked Beans	Roast Chicken or Roast Quorn Filled with Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy	Spaghetti Bolognese with Homemade Dough Balls & Salad Selection	Golden Crumb Fish or Vegetable Fingers with Oven Baked Chips Garden Peas or Baked Beans
<b>Alternative Choice</b>	Pasta Tubex & Tomato Sauce with Homemade Dough Balls & Salad Selection (V)	Loaded Pizza Panini with Tortilla Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips (V)	Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta with Homemade Herby Bread & Salad Selection (V)	Ploughman's Picnic Lunch with Homemade Crusty Bread & Mixed Salad	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 Potatoes with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cooks Choice of Filled Oven Baked Jacket Potatoes with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Choice of Filled Sandwiches with Tortilla Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips	Cooks Choice of Filled Oven Baked Jacket Potatoes with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Choice of Filled Sandwiches with Oven Baked Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips
<b>Dessert Choices</b>	Clary Blacoll & Fruit Wedges Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Mixed Fruit Medley Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Cooks Choice of Mousse Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Chocolate Shortbread & Fruit Wedges Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Summer Treat Dessert Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk

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