

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

ST ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS FRIDAY, 2ND MAY, 2025

<i>Rec S</i>	<i>Teo J</i>			<i>Rec T</i>	<i>Noah C</i>
<i>1/2S</i>	<i>Alesha P</i>	<i>1/2T</i>	<i>Harper C</i>	<i>1/2A</i>	<i>Elsie S</i>
<i>3S</i>	<i>George K</i>	<i>3/4T</i>	<i>Nicolas B</i>	<i>4A</i>	<i>Emily H</i>
<i>5S</i>	<i>Kaedon E</i>	<i>5/6T</i>	<i>Lilly W-A</i>	<i>6A</i>	<i>Hanna L</i>

HEADTEACHER AWARD

<i>Esther A</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 5th May will be week 2 of the Spring/Summer Menu

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

Following the Easter break, we have had a lovely week back in school with lots of outdoor learning enjoying the good weather – please ensure your child has sun-cream applied, a hat and a water bottle throughout the summer term.

Today, the whole school celebrated Mass and lifted the roof with their beautiful singing. As we are now in May, I will holding Rosary Club each day at lunch-times – the children may bring in rosary beads from home. Everyone is invited and children may choose to attend whichever day they wish.

Today we have awarded 26 children 100% Attendance Certificates for the Spring Term – Well Done.

Next Thursday is the 80th anniversary of VE Day. We are having a special themed lunch (see post below) and the children are invited to attend wearing red, white and blue.

Enjoy the long weekend – see everyone back in school on Tuesday!

Mrs Barnes

School Led Extra-Curricular Before and After School Clubs

All school led extra-curricular before and after school clubs commence next week and will run until Friday, 11th July.



VE Day Themed Lunch

To commemorate VE Day, which takes place on Thursday, 8th May, we will be having a themed lunch along with a Jacket Potato option. There is no need to book in advance, just let class know on the day and make the necessary £2.70 lunch payment through your child's parent pay account if relevant.

Own Clothes Day – Children are invited to wear red, white and blue on VE Day – Thursday, 8th May

Increase in Cost of School Meals – September

Lancashire County Council's School Catering Service notified us that, due to inflationary rises, the cost of KS2 school meals have increased to £2.90. We have made the decision to hold off with this increase until September but are giving you advance notice of the increase. EYFS and KS1 children will continue to receive free school meals through the universal infant free school meal scheme as will children who are entitled to free school meals due to their parents being in receipt of certain income related benefits.

Year 6 SATs

Our Year 6 children will be sitting their key stage 2 SATs each morning from Monday, 12th May to Thursday, 15th May, and it is extremely important that all children be in school on time each day to avoid disruption to the children sitting their SATs. During SATs week, we are holding a Year 6 Breakfast Club from 8.15am and look forward to the children joining us and having the opportunity to spend time relaxing with their friends prior to the tests.



Dates for your diary

Start of Summer Term - Monday, 28th April
Y5 Class Mass - Wednesday, 30th April - 9.15am
Whole School Mass - Friday, 2nd May - 9.15am
Bank Holiday - Monday, 5th May
Before and After School Extra-curricular Clubs begin - Tuesday, 6th May
Y3 Class Mass - Wednesday, 7th May - 9.15am
VE Day – All invited to wear red, white and blue – Thursday, 8th May
Yr 6 Statutory Assessments - Monday, 12th May - Thursday, 15th May
Y4 Class Mass - Wednesday, 14th May - 9.15am
Break the Rules Day - Friday, 16th May
Yr 4 children receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion - 17th&18th May
Reception and Year 6 Height/Weight Checks - Monday, 19th May
Y3/4T Class Mass - Wednesday, 21st May - 9.15am
Mini-Vinnies Pilgrimage to Ladyewell - Wednesday, 21st May
Fr Peter's 50th Jubilee Mass - Friday, 23rd May - 6.00pm
Half Term - Monday, 26th May - Friday, 30th May
INSET Days - Monday, 2nd June and Tuesday, 3rd June
Yr 4 Multiplication Check window - Monday, 2nd June - Friday, 13th June
Y6 Class Mass - Wednesday, 4th June - 9.15am
Yr 1 Phonics Screening - Week commencing 9th June
Y5/6T Class Mass - Wednesday, 11th June - 9.15am
Y1/2S Class Mass - Wednesday, 18th June - 9.15am
Mini-Vinnies Coffee Morning – Sunday 21st June after 9.30am Mass
Y1/2T Class Mass - Wednesday, 25th June - 9.15am
FOSTA Summer Fair - Wednesday, 25th June - 3.30pm-6.00pm
Sports Day - Tuesday, 1st July EYFS/KS1-morning KS2-afternoon
Y1/2A Class Mass - Wednesday, 2nd July - 9.15am
Reception Classes Mass - Wednesday, 9th July - 9.15am
Whole School Mass - Friday, 18th July - 9.15am

FOSTA NEWS

Own Clothes Days

FOSTA will be having the following own clothes days in exchange for donations of raffle and tombola prizes for the Summer Fair:-

Friday, 23rd May, 2025

Friday, 20th June, 2025

FOSTA Summer Fair

This year's FOSTA Summer Fair will take place on Wednesday, 25th June from 3.30pm-6.00pm.



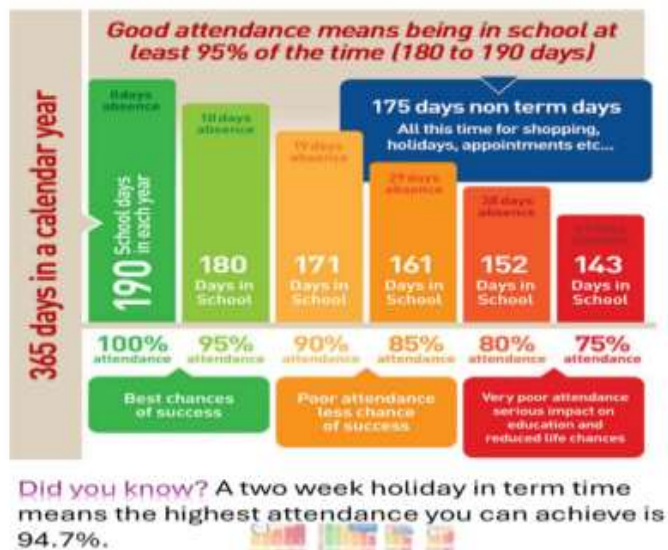
Crazy hairstyles – Please can we request that you avoid using any permanent hair colours or have your child's hair cut in tramline styles.

Reception 2025 Intake Induction Meeting

Our Reception 2025 intake induction meeting will take place in school at 6.00pm on Wednesday, 21st May. This meeting is for new Reception parents to St. Anthony's and for our existing parents whose children are joining us in our Reception unit this September. Parents will have the opportunity to meet our Early Years team and other members of the school community. We will email further information about the evening and our full Reception induction programme in due course.

Sun Cream

We have been enjoying the lovely weather this week and really hope that the sunshine is here to stay. With this in mind, please can we request that, if possible, you apply an eight-hour sun cream to your child and, if you do send sun cream into school, please can we ask that it be in the original bottle containing your child's name. Thank you for your support.



Class	% Attendance
Rec S	95.65%
Rec T	93.18%
1/2S	96.0%
1/2T	95.48%
1/2A	98.67%
3S	97.99%
3/4T	92.41%
4A	96.13%
5S	92.58%
5/6T	96.77%
6A	93.79%
Whole School	95.39%
Whole School Target	96.0%

Attendance Winners - A huge well done to class 1/2A who have achieved 98.67% 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, 1/2S 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.

Promoting the Love of Early Writing

Below are guides from the National College which have simple but insightful tips for stoking children's interest and ability in writing from an early age:-

'The ability to write – both to communicate information and express feelings and ideas is a vital life skill. From making those first experimental marks on paper to children's pride in forming letters and words that can be recognised by others and, even more thrillingly, be used to convey *meaning* – seeing young children discover the art of writing is a joyous experience.'

'The journey isn't always an easy one so it is important that we provide little ones with a suitable springboard from which to take their first literary leaps. Showing children the real-world advantages of writing, making sure crayons and paper are always available for them, and encouraging their efforts are among our expert's tips for promoting an early affinity with writing.'

<https://www.birhtto5matters.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/Early-Writing.pdf>

<https://www.instituteforchildsuccess.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/Every-Child-is-a-Writer-Understanding-the-Importance-of-Writing-in-Early-Childhood-Writing.pdf>

The City of Preston Annual
Diocese of Lancaster Centenary and
Jubilee 2025

Corpus Christi Procession



at St Walburges' Shrine Church

Sunday 22nd June 2025 at 2.00pm
All Parishioners and Parish groups,
Schools, Colleges, Choirs, Uniformed
organisations, Readers, Religious, Clergy,
Catholic Organisations, Families, Children
and especially, First Holy Communicants,
are all invited to take part, on this special and
important Feast Day, in this public act
of Witness of our Faith.





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
Traditional Main Course	Oriental Style Chicken & Sweetcorn Meatballs with Mixed Rice or Noodles	Puff Pastry Cheese Wheel with Herby Potatoes Garden Peas or Baked Beans (V)	Roast Gammon or Vegetarian Meatballs with Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy	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
Alternative Choice	Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta with Homemade Herby Bread & Salad Selection (V)	Vegetable Tikka Curry with Mixed Rice & Naan Bread (V)	Summer Picnic Lunch Buffet Sausage Roll Assorted Sandwiches Tortilla Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips	Pasta Tubes & Tomato Sauce with Homemade Dough Balls & Salad Selection (V)	Homemade Pizza Margherita with Oven Baked Chips Garden Peas or Baked Beans (V)
Jackets & Sandwiches	Choice of Filled Sandwiches with Tortilla Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips	Cook's Choice of Filled Oven Baked Jacket Potatoes with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cook's Choice of Filled Oven Baked Jacket Potatoes with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cook's Choice of Filled Oven Baked Jacket Potatoes with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Choice of Filled Sandwiches with Oven Baked Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips
Dessert Choices	Sticky Toffee Cupcake Cook's Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Vanilla Shortbread & Fruit Wedges Cook's Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Ice Cream & Dessert Sauce Cook's Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Mixed Fruit Medley Cook's Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Chocolate Cookie Cook's Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk

Week 2

Week Commencing
5th May
26th May
16th June
7th July
28th July
8th September
29th September
20th October

	MEAT FREE MONDAY	SUGARWISE TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	SUGARWISE THURSDAY	FRIDAY FAVOURITES
Traditional Main Course	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	Beef or Pork or Vegetarian Sausages & Yorkshire Pudding with Mashed Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy	Cook's Choice of Chicken or Vegetable Curry with Mixed Rice & Naan Bread	Harry Ramsden's Crispy Battered Fish or Vegetable Fingers with Oven Baked Chips & Mushy Peas
Alternative Choice	Loaded Vegetable & Baked Bean Tacos with Rainbow Vegetable Rice (V)	Mac 'n' Cheese with Homemade Crusty Bread & Mixed Salad (V)	Spaghetti Amabits 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)
Jackets & Sandwiches	Cook's Choice of Filled Oven Baked Jacket Potatoes with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection (V)	Choice of Filled Sandwiches with Tortilla Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips	Cook's Choice of Filled Oven Baked Jacket Potatoes with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cook's Choice of Filled Oven Baked Jacket Potatoes with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Choice of Filled Sandwiches with Oven Baked Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips
Dessert Choices	Marble Tray Bake & Chocolate Sauce Cook's Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Lancashire Cheese & Crackers Cook's Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Raspberry Bun Cook's Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Lemon Biscuit & Fruit Wedges Cook's Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Cocoa Waffle Cake Cook's Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk

Week 3

Week Commencing
31st April
12th May
3rd June
23rd June
14th July
15th September
6th October
27th October

	MONDAY	SUGARWISE TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	SUGARWISE THURSDAY	FRIDAY FAVOURITES
Traditional Main Course	Beef or 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 Fillet 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
Alternative Choice	Pasta Twists & 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)
Jackets & Sandwiches	Cook's Choice of Filled Oven Baked Jacket Potatoes with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cook's Choice of Filled Oven Baked Jacket Potatoes with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Choice of Filled Sandwiches with Tortilla Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips	Cook's Choice of Filled Oven Baked Jacket Potatoes with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Choice of Filled Sandwiches with Oven Baked Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips
Dessert Choices	Only Biscuit & Fruit Wedges Cook's Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Mixed Fruit Medley Cook's Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Cook's Choice of Mousse Cook's Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Chocolate Shortbread & Fruit Wedges Cook's Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk	Summer Treat Dessert Cook's Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt - Fruit Selection & Milk

While every effort is made to produce the pictured menu, please note that they may vary occasionally subject to availability and individual school requirements. All our menus are checked using a computer programme to ensure a balance. We also work with Lactanase Healthy Schools and support the Red Tractor Farm Assured campaign. The school is a happy place and we hope you will all enjoy your time here during the afternoon.

