## **WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**

# ST ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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#### STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS

#### FRIDAY, 12<sup>™</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2025

Rec S				Rec T	
15	Kiera B	1/2T	Darragh C	2A	Isabella M
35	Eliza C	3/4T	Louis C	4A	Lena M
55	Simon M	5/6T	Max W	6A	Esme L

#### **HEADTEACHER AWARD**

Lucy S	<i>5S</i>

#### CITIZEN AWARD

Finn T	35

Well done to our Reception children for completing their first week in school, all the children are now attending full time and are settling in really well.

Thank you to the parents who attended our 'Meet the Teacher' sessions this week when we shared information for the coming year. Please remember, you can also find out what the children are learning in school by looking on our school website.

In Lancaster Diocese, we are currently celebrating our centenary year. As a result, some of our Year 6 children are representing school next Tuesday at the Schools' Centenary Mass at Ladyewell. The children will pray for our school and the parish of St. Anthony – if you have any special intentions that you would like us to pray for please send them into school on Monday.

Please note, there is a change of date for Year 3/4T class Mass that will now take place on Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> September – parents and grandparents are welcome to attend.

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
15th September will be week 3 of
the Spring/Summer Menu

As of September 2025, key stage 2 meals will increase to £2.90

#### **Special Thank You**

A special thank you goes to one of our parents, Rosie Greenwood and her family, for all their help and support in fundraising and organising the set-up of our automated defibrillator for use by the public in case of emergencies. Our school defibrillator is now registered on 'the circuit' which will allow members of the local community to access it should they need to.

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

All school led before and after school extra-curricular clubs will now begin week commencing Monday, 22nd September.

#### **Roald Dahl Themed Lunch**

We are having the following themed lunch on Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> September. There is no need to book in advance, just let class know on the day and make the £2.90 payment through your parent pay account if relevant:-





#### Dates for your diary

Autumn Term begins - Tuesday, 2nd September Whole School Mass Friday, 5th September Y4A Class Mass - Tuesday, 9th September Meet the Teacher - Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> September Y6A Class Assembly - Wednesday, 17th September Y3/4T Class Mass - Friday 19th September Extra-curricular Clubs begin - Monday, 22nd September Y5/6T Class Mass - Tuesday, 23rd September Y3S Class Assembly - Wednesday, 24th September Y1S Class Mass - Tuesday, 30th September Y2A Class Assembly - Wednesday, 1st October Y5S Class Mass - Tuesday, 7th October Harvest Festival - Thursday, 9th October Wear Yellow Day for mental health - Friday 10th October Y3S Class Mass - Tuesday, 14th October Y4A Class Assembly - Wednesday, 15th October Nasal Flu Vaccination Session - Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> October Wear Red Day for Kick out racism – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October Y6A Class Mass - Tuesday, 21st October Y1/2T Class Assembly - Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October Half Term - Monday, 27th October - Friday, 31st October Inset Day - Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November Y2A Class Mass - Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> November Y5S Class Assembly - Wednesday, 12th November Open Night (new starters) - Wednesday, 12th November Y1/2T Class Mass - Tuesday, 18th November Tempest School Photos - Wednesday, 19th November Parents Afternoon / Evening - Wednesday, 19th November Y5/6T Class Assembly - Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> November Reception S Class Mass - Tuesday, 25th November Y3/4T Class Assembly - Wednesday, 26th November Reception T Class Mass - Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December Years 3 & 4 Advent Service - Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December Y1S Class Assembly - Wednesday, 3rd December KS1 Nativity - Wednesday, 10th December Years 5 & 6 Carol Service - Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> December Whole School Mass - Friday, 19th December Close for Christmas - Friday, 19th December at 1.30pm

#### **School Meal Menu**

The spring/summer menu will continue until after half term. Please see below a link to the menu:-

#### fresherplus-spring-and-summer-2025.pdf

Please can we ask parents of our younger children to discuss the menu options with their children to aid them when ordering their lunches.

#### Plea for donations of resources for our Year 1 **Continuous Provision**

We are hoping to source the following items for our Year 1 continuous provision:-

Wooden Dolls House Small world people for dolls house Animals - zoo, farm or sea Metal hot wheel type cars Small cars for track Wooden train track Small trains for track

and are wondering if anyone has any of these items at home that they would like to donate to school. The items don't need to be perfect, just in good condition. The children would be extremely grateful for your generosity.

#### **Nasal Flu Vaccination**

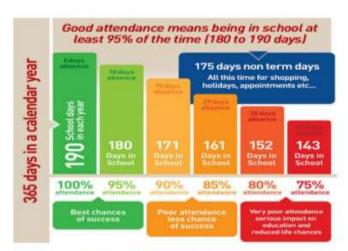
The Lancashire Immunisation Service will be in school on Thursday, 16th October, to administer the flu vaccine to Reception to Year 6 children.

If you would like your child to receive the flu vaccine in school, please consent using the link below by Sunday, 21st September. If you do not wish your child to receive the vaccine please complete the 'No to consent' section of the form:-

#### https://nhsImms.azurewebsites.net/session/85f77041

If you have any problems accessing the link, please contact the Immunisation Service direct on:- 0333 3583 397 option 2, option 1.

Attendance - Friday, 5th September to Thursday, 11th September, 2025



Did you know? A two week holiday in term time means the highest attendance you can achieve is 94.7%.

Rec S	94.16%
Rec T	96.97%
15	94.14%
1/2T	99.33%
2A	97.67%
3S	96.55%
3/4T	98.0%
4A	92.9%
5S	96.33%
5/6T	94.84%
6A	95.67%
Whole School	96.09%
Whole School Target	96.0%

Attendance Winners - A huge well done to Class 1/2T who have achieved 99.33% 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.



you will have missed a full 2 weeks by the end of the school year.

No Lates – Well done to classes Reception T, 1S, 3S and 6A who have had no late marks this week

#### Wednesday Word

Please find below a link to 'Wednesday Word' which is a Catholic resource that provides a weekly Gospel message and discussion topics for families to encourage reflection on faith:-

https://www.wednesdayword.org/school/index.htm

#### **Reception 2026 Open Evening**

Parents of children due to start primary school in September 2026 are invited to attend our Open Evening that will take place from 4.45pm-6.30pm on Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> November. Parents will have the opportunity to meet our Leadership team, staff from our Reception Unit and our Head and Deputy Head Boys and Girls. There will be a tour of the school and parents will be able to ask questions to help them make an informed decision when applying for a primary school place for their child.

#### <u>School Admissions – September 2026</u>

Online applications for primary and high school places for the September 2026 intake are now open with closing dates as follows:-

Secondary School - 31st October, 2025

Primary School - 15th January, 2026

Please apply using the following link: www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

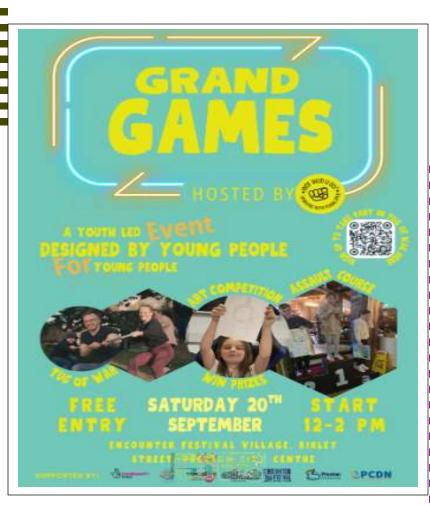
You will receive an email confirmation of your application.

If your child is baptised Catholic you will also need to complete a supplementary form which is available from the school office and at Our Lady's Catholic High School. Baptism Certificates are also required.

#### Advance Notice - KS2 SATS

The KS2 SATS will take place from Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> May – Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2026. Please can we ask that our Year 6 parents refrain from taking their children on holiday during this period.





#### **Fundraising Event**

One of our parents is holding a fun-packed community fundraising event at St Anthony's Social Club from 6.00pm on Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October. The event is to support her initiative to rent a support boat which will escort her as she attempts a world record to become the first person to swim non-stop from the Isle of Man to England with surplus money raised being donated to 'Children with Cancer'. Door entry is donation related.

https://gofund.me/c3bc96126







