

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

ST ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS

FRIDAY, 19TH SEPTEMBER, 2025

Rec S				Rec T	
1S	Lucius R	1/2T	Beatrice P	2A	Isaac F-B
3S	Chloe O	3/4T	Seren C	4A	Hugo G
5S	Santi FB	5/6T	Andrew S	6A	Aaron W

CITIZEN AWARD

Abigail K	5S
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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 22nd September will be week 1 of the Spring/Summer Menu

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

Well done to our Y6A children who led the first class assembly of the school year with the theme of 'Saying Yes to God.' It was lovely to see so many parents and grandparents join us. Next week it is the turn of Y3S.

On Tuesday, a group of our Year 6 children attended the Schools' Centenary Mass as part of the celebrations for the Diocese's Centenary and the Pilgrim Year of Hope. It was a lovely Mass attended by schools from across the city.

Sunday, 28th September, will be Fr Peter's last Mass with us in the parish and it would be great if the children could join us in church at 9.30am to give Father a good 'send-off'. A celebration will also take place in the social club from 1.00pm-4.00pm that day – do pop in to say goodbye to Fr. Peter.

Well done to our hockey team who have had a great start to the season with two wins and not yet conceded a goal!

Have a great weekend!

Mrs Barnes



Before and After School Extra-curricular Clubs

All school led before and after school extra-curricular clubs will begin this Monday, 22nd September. Unless we have notified you differently, we have allocated your child a place on the club/s of their choice. Please can we ask that, if you need to make any changes to your child's club choices or collection arrangements, you inform the club leader directly.

Reception Class Photos

ABC Photography will be in school this Monday, 22nd September, to take class photographs for the Lancashire Evening Post Reception 2025 supplement. All Reception children will appear in the supplement unless parents notify the school office differently.

Fraudulent Parent Pay App

Parent Pay have alerted us to a fraudulent app in the Apple App Store that mimics Parent Pay branding. Parent Pay have acted swiftly to report the app to Apple who are in the process of having it removed. Parent Pay have requested that we notify you of the following:-

- Parent Pay does not have an app available for download from any app stores;
- To use Parent Pay, parents should visit <https://www.parentpay.com/> from a mobile phone or computer;
- After logging in, parents can save a shortcut onto their phone's home screen.

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.



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, 10th 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, 16th October

Wear Red Day for Kick out racism – Friday, 17th October

Y6A Class Mass - Tuesday, 21st October

Y1/2T Class Assembly - Wednesday, 22nd October

Half Term - Monday, 27th October - Friday, 31st October

Inset Day - Monday, 3rd November

Y2A Class Mass - Tuesday, 11th 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, 20th November

Reception S Class Mass - Tuesday, 25th November

Y3/4T Class Assembly - Wednesday, 26th November

Reception T Class Mass - Tuesday, 2nd December

Years 3 & 4 Advent Service - Tuesday, 2nd December

Y1S Class Assembly - Wednesday, 3rd December

KS1 Nativity - Wednesday, 10th December

Years 5 & 6 Carol Service - Wednesday, 17th 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](https://www.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.

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.

Patient.info Platform

Patient.info platform gives NHS recommended advice and guidance to parents on anything ranging from common childhood illnesses to allergies, asthma, mental health, sleep and healthy living. The platform supports:-

Attendance – clear guidance helps parents make the right call about when children should stay at home and when they can be in class:-

Reassures parents – NHS recognised information means families feel confident that they are getting safe, accurate advice;

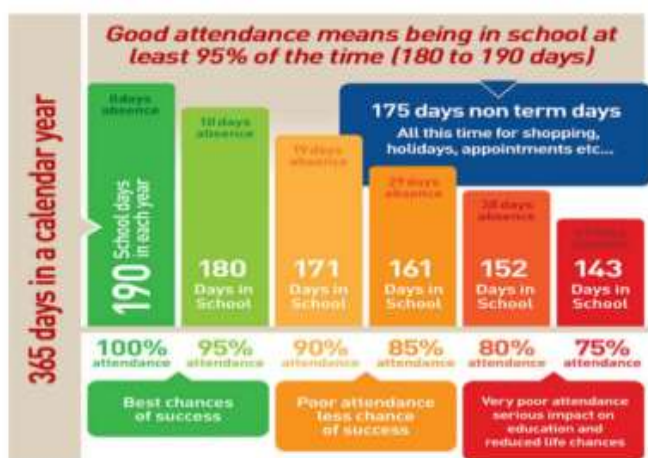
Saves staff time – fewer phone calls and queries about minor health issues.

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>

Attendance – Friday, 12th September to Thursday, 18th September, 2025



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

Rec S	98.21%
Rec T	98.18%
1S	96.55%
1/2T	97.0%
2A	99.33%
3S	93.1%
3/4T	98.05%
4A	94.84%
5S	97.67%
5/6T	97.1%
6A	91.33%
Whole School	96.41%
Whole School Target	96.0%

Attendance Winners - A huge well done to Class 2A 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.



No Lates – Unfortunately, all classes have had late marks this week

Polite Request

It has been brought to our attention that parents are parking in the car park disabled bays without displaying a blue badge. Please can we ask that you refrain from doing this as it is causing difficulties for blue badge holders accessing school. Our PCSO Team are monitoring the car park and will approach parents directly if they are parking where they shouldn't be.

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, 12th 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.

School Admissions – September 2026

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, 11th May – Thursday, 14th May, 2026. Please can we ask that our Year 6 parents refrain from taking their children on holiday during this period.

Fairtrade Warrior News



We are pleased to share with you, that you have helped us to raise £203.24 for the Fairtrade Foundation through your support with the 'Be the Change – Save the Change' campaign that ran last academic year. Thank you kindly for your contributions.

Do It Fair



As Fairtrade Fortnight begins on 22nd September with the theme of 'Do it Fair', we have taken this opportunity to take part by launching our own 'Brew it Fair' teapot design competition, in aid of supporting tea farmers. We would love it if you could support us again by encouraging your child to design a Fairtrade themed teapot. Entry forms with a template have been sent home this week and we kindly ask for £1.00 entry fee towards the competition. Three winners will be selected from each Key Stage for a prize and their designs will be forwarded to the Preston & South Ribble Fairtrade team for recognition. Good luck and get designing!

Thank you
Fairtrade Warriors

Lovely Opportunity

Please find below information regarding a live-streamed course entitled 'Salvation History/Bible Timeline'. This is a wonderful opportunity for parishioners young and old to develop understanding of the Word of God.



The Bible Timeline Course

12 Time Periods, One Story



Starts Wed 1st October, 2025

8 Wednesdays (1st Oct – 19th Nov) @7pm UK Time



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by Catholic speaker
Mauro Iannicelli



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