

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

ST ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS

FRIDAY, 10th OCTOBER, 2025

Rec S				Rec T	
1S	Olive D	1/2T	Marcus H	2A	Ella H
3S	Billie C	3/4T	Seraphin M	4A	Nancy-May V
5S	Zabah B	5/6T	Ali E	6A	Maisie W

HEADTEACHER AWARDS

Lewis W	5S
Amira R	6A

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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
13th October will be week 1 of the
Spring/Summer Menu

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

A huge thank you to those of you who attended yesterday's Harvest Festival celebration in church. Our collection raised £63.00 that will go to the Salvation Army's Food Bank along with your food and toiletry donations. We are sure that your generosity will be hugely appreciated by those in need in our community who are supported by the food bank.

This week Year 5S celebrated the first class Mass with Fr Andrew, next Tuesday it is the turn of Year 3S. Parents and grandparent are warmly encouraged to attend at 9.15am in church.

On Wednesday, Year 4A will be leading our school worship and parents and grandparents are very welcome to attend the assembly in the school hall.

October is Black History Month when the children learn about the contributions of black people to society and history. Linked with this, we will be taking part in 'Show Racism the Red Card' to show that racism is not tolerated. We invite the children to wear their own clothes next Friday including something red to show the 'red card' to racism.

Have a good weekend.

Mrs Barnes

Thank you from Mini Vinnies

A huge thank you from our Mini Vinnies group to those of you who donated cakes and attended last Sunday's coffee morning. The children raised £90.00 that will go to support the valuable work of St. Catherine's Hospice.

After School Club Play Leader Vacancy

The After School Club are looking to appoint a Play Leader to join their team. The hours are 2.5 per day, 5 days a week, term time only.

If anyone is interested in this vacancy, or would like more information, please email the After School Club direct at: saafterschoolclub@gmail.com



Fairtrade Warrior News

Do it Fair

'Brew it Fair' design a teapot winners

Huge congratulations to our Fairtrade competition winners: Fabian M (EYFS); Rose C (2A) and Amira R (6A). Mrs Barnes had an extremely tough job selecting the winning designs because so many of the designs were brilliant and focussed on the theme of Fairtrade.



The winning designs are on display in our school hall and individual photographs of the designs have been forwarded to the Preston & South Ribble Fairtrade group for a further round of competition with other primary schools. We wish our designers good luck!

Once again, thank you for your support.

Fairtrade Warriors



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~~

~~Mini Vinnies Coffee Morning – Sunday, 5th 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~~

The Book Bus visits St Anthony's!

This week we welcomed the Lancashire Library's Book Bus to our school, providing an exciting opportunity for children across all classes to explore a fantastic range of books. The children were able to select books for themselves and their classmates to read and enjoy over the coming year. It was a joy to see so many of our children engaging with a variety of texts, building on their love for reading. A heartfelt thank you goes to the Lancashire Library team for making this event a success!



Lates

Unfortunately, every class has again had late marks this week and, as you can appreciate, children arriving during lesson time can cause disruption to the whole class. Please can we, therefore, ask that you be mindful of this and make a conscious effort to arrive at school prior to 8.45am registration.

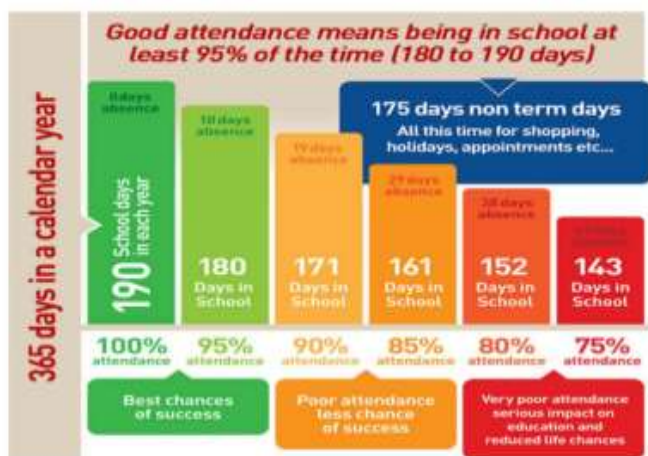
Wear Red Own Clothes Day

Next Friday, 17th October, we are taking part in the Show Racism the Red Card 'Wear Red Day' and everyone is invited to wear their own clothes with a splash of red, even if it is just red socks, a wristband or headband. This is a FA initiative where everyone is encouraged to join together to show that racism will not be tolerated in our community.

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. There will be the opportunity to meet our Leadership team, staff from our Reception Unit and our Head and Deputy Head Boys and Girls, have a tour of school and ask questions to help make an informed decision when applying for a primary school place.

Attendance – Friday, 3rd October to Thursday, 9th October, 2025



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

Rec S	96.86%
Rec T	95.45%
1S	90.67%
1/2T	96.33%
2A	96.67%
3S	98.28%
3/4T	92.9%
4A	93.23%
5S	95.0%
5/6T	92.9%
6A	98.33%
Whole School	95.07%
Whole School Target	96.0%

Attendance Winners - A huge well done to Class 6A who have achieved 98.33% 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

Tempest Individual and Family Photographs

Tempest Photography will be visiting school on Wednesday, 19th November, to take individual and family photographs. If you **DO NOT** wish your child to have their photograph taken, please can you inform the school office by emailing office@st-anthonys.lancs.sch.uk no later than Friday, 14th November. Parents are welcome to bring non St. Anthony's siblings to have a family photograph taken. Please can we ask that you be at school for 8.15am prompt if you wish to take up this offer.

Octopus Energy Reward Scheme

We have teamed up with Octopus Energy who are running a reward scheme entitled 'People Power'. The scheme rewards £50.00 to those who switch to Octopus Energy and £50.00 to their nominated establishment.

Below is our unique link to receive a quotation:-
<https://stanthonyscatholicprimaryschool.octopus.energy>

Thank you in advance for considering switching to Octopus Energy.

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>

High School Admissions – September 2026

The closing date for high school applications is 31st October, 2025 and it is essential that you make your application using the link:- www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools before deadline date. Late applications may mean that your child isn't awarded a place at the high school of their choice. Please ensure that you have received an email confirmation of your application.

If your child is baptised Catholic and you wish them to attend a Catholic high school, you will also need to complete a supplementary form which is available from the high school. The high school will also require a copy of your child's Baptism Certificate.

FOSTA's Spooky Family Disco – Friday, 24th October

FOSTA are holding a Spooky Family Disco in St. Anthony's Social Club from 6.00pm-8.00pm on Friday, 24th October. DJ Slug is joining the team and there will be a hotdog stall, spooky games and a raffle so please bring along cash. There will also be a prize for the best spooky costume.

Come and join the team for a family fun evening and help raise money towards school's fundraising effort. Tickets are £6.50 payable through Parent Pay accounts. Room capacity is 100 so please book early to avoid disappointment. It is a family event and everyone must have a ticket with all children accompanied by an adult.



**NHS**
Lancashire & South Cumbria
NHS Foundation Trust

**Preston North & East PCNs**
A member-led collaborative representing Primary Care within North and East Preston.
Offering coordinated and integrated health and social care for you and your family.

Parent & Carer Workshops

With
Children and Young People's Mental Health Practitioners
Heather Bainton & Shae Vhareta
at
Fatima Health Centre, 228 Garstand Road, Fulwood, Preston PR2 9QB
2nd Floor - Conference Room

Session 1: Communication Skills – Wednesday 22nd October 2025 4:30pm–6pm

Session 2: Coping Strategies for Anxiety & Worries
Wednesday 19th November 2025 4:30pm–6pm

Session 3: Coping Strategies for Emotional Regulation – Wednesday 3rd December 4:30–6pm

**Limited Spaces!
Book Your Place:**



Suitable for parents of children aged: 8-14 years



Open to all parents & carer's of children registered at the following GP Practice's

- ISSA Medical Centre
- Lytham Road Surgery
- Ribbleson Medical Centre
- Berry Lane Medical Centre
- Stonebridge Surgery
- Avenham Medical Centre
- The Healthcare Centre
- Ribble Village Heath Centre