

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

ST ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS

FRIDAY, 24TH OCTOBER, 2025

Rec S				Rec T	
1S	Parwona A	1/2T	Harry B	2A	Benett J
3S	Chloe R	3/4T	Andre G	4A	Phoebe R
5S	Bernard J	5/6T	Jenson R-H	6A	Oliver S

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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 3rd November will be week 1 of the Spring/Summer Menu

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

Autumn/Winter Meal Menu link:-

[Autumn/Winter Menu 2025/2026](#)

We break up today after a long and busy half term. We had a lovely assembly led by Year 1/2T this week when the children reminded us that God made each and every one of us and that we are all special – thank you to the many parents and grandparents that attended.

Tonight is FOSTA's Spooky Disco in the social centre – we would like to thank the FOSTA team for their continued hard work in organising events and raising funds for school. We are delighted to say that FOSTA are paying for a theatre group to perform Beauty and the Beast pantomime for the whole school during the next half term. Please look at the diary dates to see the events that FOSTA are planning for the second half of the autumn term.

A reminder for the Year 6 parents that high school applications have to be completed online by 31st October using this link:- <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/apply-online-for-a-school-place/>

Wishing everyone a good half term break and hope that the children stay safe during any Halloween celebrations!

Mrs Barnes

Miss McGrahan

This week we said a fond farewell to our Year 4 Teacher, Miss McGrahan. Miss McGrahan is starting her maternity leave and we are sure that you will join us in wishing her all the very best as she awaits the arrival of her little one. We will let you know as soon as we have baby news.

Autumn/Winter Menu 2025/2026

Please see below a link to the new school meal menu that will begin week commencing 10th November, 2025 – week 2:-

[Autumn/Winter Menu 2025/2026](#)

Wednesday Word

Please see below a link to this week's 'Wednesday Word' Catholic resource for families:-

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

Change to Contact Details Notification Reminder

Polite reminder, it is important that you let the school office know if you change any of your contact details.

Poppy Appeal

We are pleased to be supporting the Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal again this year. Poppies and other merchandise ranging from 20p to £1.50 will be on sale after half term on a first come basis. Thank you for supporting this worthwhile charity.

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.



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
FOSTA Own Clothes Day – Friday, 7th 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
M&M Theatre Production – 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
FOSTA Own Clothes Day – Friday, 5th December
FOSTA Film Night – Tuesday, 9th December
KS1 Nativity – Wednesday, 10th December
Christmas Jumper Day – Thursday, 11th December
FOSTA Christmas Fair – Thursday, 11th December
Rec Nativity – Wednesday, 17th December – 10.00am & 2.15pm
Years 5 & 6 Carol Service – Wednesday, 17th December
Whole School Mass – Friday, 19th December
Close for Christmas – Friday, 19th December at 1.30pm

Bonfire Themed Lunch



To commemorate Bonfire Night, we are having a bonfire themed lunch on Wednesday, 5th November. There is no need to book in advance, just let class know on the day and make the £2.90 payment through your child's parent pay account, if applicable. There will also be a jacket potato option with a choice of fillings.

'Is my child too ill for school' NHS guidance for parents

Please see below a link to the NHS website that gives guidance for parents regarding childhood illnesses:-

[Is my child too ill for school? - NHS](#)

FOSTA Own Clothes Days

Our Christmas Fair will take place on Thursday, 11th December and, in preparation for this, we will be having two own clothes days in exchange for donations for the fair.

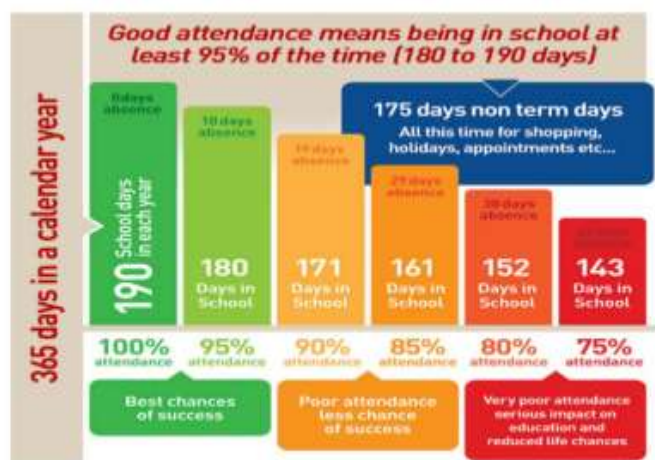
The first own clothes day will take place on **Friday, 7th November** in exchange for donations of chocolate, sweets, toys, crafts or gifts suitable for prizes for the stalls and games.

The second own clothes day will take place on **Friday, 5th December** and we will notify you nearer the time of the type of donations we will be requesting.

For information:- The fair will be open to the children throughout the afternoon and then to parents after school.

Thank you from the FOSTA team for your continued support.

Attendance – Friday, 17th October to Thursday, 23rd 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	96.36%
1S	91.33%
1/2T	99.0%
2A	99.33%
3S	93.79%
3/4T	95.81%
4A	91.61%
5S	94.33%
5/6T	93.23%
6A	97.0%
Whole School	95.26%
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 again this week



The High Sheriff of Lancashire's

Young Citizen Award 2026

Do you know a young person

aged 19 or under, who has helped either their local neighbourhood, an individual, family member or a local organisation in the last 12 months?

The High Sheriff of Lancashire would like to hear from you!

To nominate your candidate fill in the online form at www.lanpac.co.uk

The winner will receive £300 with two runner-up prizes of £100 each. Closing date for nominations Friday 9th January 2026.

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