WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

ST ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS

FRIDAY, 3RD OCTOBER, 2025

Rec S				Rec T	
15	Astrid K	1/2T	Isla F	2A	Cassian S
35	Julia Z	3/4T	Alana C	4A	Holly B
55	Ruby I	5/6T	Harriet H	6A	Vinnie C

HEADTEACHER AWARD

Scarlett H	<i>5S</i>

CITIZEN AWARD

Dillan W	5/6T

On Tuesday, we followed last weekend's farewell 'do' with a lovely final Mass with Fr. Peter – thank you to everyone who attended especially Mr. Stanton who played his guitar. Fr. Andrew has now joined us and has had a tour of our school. We look forward to celebrating many Masses and liturgies with him starting with Year 5S next Tuesday – please join us if you can.

Our Mini-Vinnies group is hosting a coffee morning following the 9.30am Sunday Mass – do come along and have a brew and a cake and support St. Catherine's Hospice.

Unfortunately, we have recently had many lates – this causes disruption to the classes for all the children. Please can I ask that you make an effort to be punctual arriving at school before the doors close at 8.50am. Please note that school starts at 8.45am with the doors opening at 8.40am.

We have a couple of events planned for next week, the Harvest Festival and 'Wear Yellow' for mental health day – please see below for more information.

Have a good 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 6th October will be week 3 of the Spring/Summer Menu

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

Plea from our Sports Lead

If anyone has any preloved football trainers or boots that your children no longer need, we would be incredibly grateful for your donations. We are also on the lookout for any shin pads to add to our collection.

Your donations will help other children in our school access sports activities and represent our school with pride.



Fairtrade Warrior News – Do it Fair

Thank you to all those who have taken part in our 'Brew it Fair' design a teapot competition, in aid of supporting tea farmers. We have raised over £50 for the Fairtrade Foundation. Mrs Barnes has had the difficult decision of selecting the winners from each Key Stage. These will be announced in this Monday's worship assembly with their designs being forwarded to the Preston & South Ribble Fairtrade team for a further round of competition and recognition.

Thank you from the Fairtrade Warriors

Children's Birthdays - Own Clothes

We will be continuing with our birthday tradition where children are able to wear their own clothes for school on their birthday.

Harvest Festival Celebration

Our Harvest Festival Celebration will take place in church at 2.00pm on Thursday, 9th October, and everyone is welcome to join us! As part of our celebration, we are asking for donations of tins, packet and boxed food and toiletries. Our donations will go to the Foodbank who support people in need in our community. Please can we request that any donations be brought into school by Wednesday, 8th October.

Hello Yellow Non-uniform Day

On Friday, 10th October, School will be supporting the fantastic work of the Young Minds Charity by participating in their 'Hello Yellow Day'. Children are invited to wear their own clothes with a splash of yellow to show support for young people's mental health. Please do not feel that you need to go to the expense of purchasing new items of yellow clothing though, children can wear something as simple as yellow socks, a ribbon or a wrist band.



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

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, 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 for your 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.

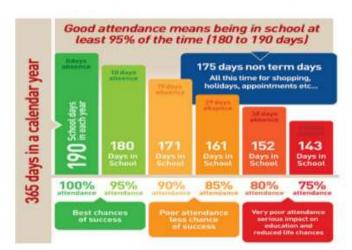
If your child is baptised Catholic you will also need to complete a supplementary form which is available from the school office and at Our Lady's Catholic High School. Baptism Certificates are also required.

SEND Newsletter

Please see below a link to the Autumn issue of the SEND Newsletter:-

send-newsletter-autumn-2025.pdf

Attendance - Friday, 26th September to Thursday, 2nd October, 2025



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

Rec S	94.62%
Rec T	95.91%
15	95.3%
1/2T	95.67%
2A	93.67%
35	98.67%
3/4T	94.19%
4A	100.0%
5S	95.33%
5/6T	98.39%
6A	99.33%
Whole School	96.55%
Whole School Target	96.0%

 $\underline{\text{\bf Attendance Winners}} \text{ - A huge well done to Class 4A who have achieved 100.0\%}$ attendance this week.

<u>Punctuality</u> - 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 – Unfortunately, all classes have had late marks this week

Hockey Team Success!

Congratulations to our Year 5/6 hockey team who won the league title this year, winning three games and drawing one. The children worked exceptionally well as a team and represented our school with pride. Well done to Tristan, Ronnie, Ali, Elliott, Oliver, Eva-Mae, Esme and Amiral



Kids Cup Tournament Success

A huge well done to our Year 5/6 Footballers!

On Tuesday, I had the pleasure of taking eight of our Year 5/6 boys to PlayFootball to participate in the Kids Cup. We were drawn into a challenging group against some very talented opposition, but the boys' determination shone through. We managed to secure three wins from five games, which was enough to earn us a place in the semi-final against St Clare's.

Although we lost a tough match against St Clare's (who went on to become the eventual tournament winners), our day was not finished. Our team quickly picked up their heads, refocused, and went into the 3rd place play-off against Goosnargh. The boys showed tremendous spirit, determination, and teamwork to clinch a vital 1-0 victory, securing a brilliant 3rd place finish in our first competitive tournament of the academic year!

Thank you also to Mrs. Walmsley for all her help and support on the day!



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 our school 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.



RWANDA GROUP TRUST

(www.rwandagrouptrust.org)

TABLE TOP SALES

SATURDAY, 11th October 10AM-1PM

ST. ANTHONY'S ANNEXE

ST. ANTHONY'S DRIVE

(NEXT TO OUR LADY'S HIGH SCHOOL)

CRAFTS/TOYS/GIFTS/'PRE-LOVED' ITEMS



CONTACT BERNADETTE TO BOOK A TABLE FOR £10:



