### **WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**

## ST ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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#### STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS

#### FRIDAY, 7<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2025

Rec S	Arlo B			Rec T	Livia R-H
15	Grace N	1/2T	Noah C	2A	Sadie B
35	Charlie F	3/4T	Harrison L	4A	Zohayb M
<i>5S</i>	Ivy R	5/6T	Elena I	6A	Jack F

#### **CITIZEN AWARD**

Theo K	5/6T

Welcome back to the new half term!

It was lovely to have our Reception parents into school on Wednesday for a 'stay and play' session. They had great fun with the children undertaking a variety of activities linking to the theme of fireworks / bonfire night.

Thank you for your generous donations of items for our Christmas Fair in exchange for the children wearing their own clothes today.

November is the month of the Holy Souls and in school we are making a remembrance book to remember and pray for any family and friends who have died. If you would like your friends and family to be included in the book, please complete the sheet that the children are bringing home today and return to school.

Next Tuesday at 11.00am, we will be marking Remembrance Day by holding a minute silence to remember those who died during times of conflict – we will remember them! Poppy merchandise ranging from 20p to £1.50 will remain on sale in school until then.

The parish is beginning a new programme preparing the children to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion. The initial meeting for those who have registered an interest through your child's parent pay account will be held in the school hall at 6.00pm, Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> November. If you would like your child to take part and they are baptised Catholic and in Year 4 or above and you haven't already registered an interest, please feel free to attend the meeting with your child.

We will be holding Parent Consultation Meetings on Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> November through the afternoon 1.30pm-3.00pm and evening from 3.30pm-6.30pm. From Monday, parents will be able to book ten minute appointment slots using our electronic booking system.

Have a lovely weekend! Mrs Barnes

<u>office@st-anthonys.lancs.sch.uk</u>

#### **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 10<sup>th</sup> November will be week 2 of the Autumn/Winter Menu

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

Autumn/Winter Meal Menu link:-

Autumn/Winter Menu 2025/2026

#### Miss McGrahan

We are pleased to share with you that during half term Miss McGrahan and her partner welcomed their beautiful little boy. Mummy and baby are doing really well and we hope to see them soon.

#### **FOSTA's Spooky Family Disco**

A huge thank you to everyone who attended FOSTA's Spooky Family Disco. The event was a huge success and everyone seemed to have had lots of fun. All money raised will go towards supporting school's fundraising effort. On behalf of school, a special mention goes to our fantastic FOSTA team who give up their own time so freely to organise such successful events for us.

#### **Wednesday Word**

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

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

#### Autumn/Winter Menu 2025/2026

Please see below a link to the new school meal menu that will begin this Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2025 – week 2:-

Autumn/Winter Menu 2025/2026

#### Parent Pay Accounts

Please can we ask our KS2 parents to check your child's parent pay account for school meals and, if relevant, clear any outstanding balances. Please can we remind you that ALL meals must be paid for in advance.

#### Reception 2026 Open Evening

Our Open Evening for parents of children due to start primary school in September 2026 will take place from 4.45pm-6.30pm, Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> November. Reception online applications must be made by Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2026 through the following link:-www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools If your child is baptised Catholic you will also need to complete a supplementary form, available from the school office. Baptism certificates are also required. Both documents must be returned to school prior to the closing date.



#### Dates for your diary

Autumn Term begins - Tuesday, 2nd September Whole School Mass Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> September Y4A Class Mass - Tuesday, 9th September Meet the Teacher - Wednesday, 10th September Y6A Class Assembly - Wednesday, 17th September <del>Y3/4T Class Mass - Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September</del> 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, 22<sup>nd</sup> October FOSTA Own Clothes Day - Friday, 7th 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 M&M Theatre Production - 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, 3<sup>rd</sup> December FOSTA Own Clothes Day - Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> 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 Years 5 & 6 Carol Service - Wednesday, 17th December Whole School Mass - Friday, 19th December Close for Christmas - Friday, 19th December at 1.30pm

#### **Advance Notice of Christmas Events**

Please see below our Christmas related events that will take place on the lead up to Christmas:-

**Years 3 & 4 Advent Service** - Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December - 5.30pm-6.30pm - Church

**FOSTA Film Night** - Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> December - 5.00pm-7.00pm **KS1 Nativity** - Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> December - 10.30am-

11.30am and 2.00pm-3.00pm - Church

Christmas Jumper Day - Thursday, 11th December

**FOSTA Christmas Fair** - Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> December - afternoon **Reception Nativity** - Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> December - 10.00am-

10.30am and 2.15pm-2.45pm - School

Years 5 & 6 Carol Service - Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> December -

5.30pm-6.30pm - Church

FOSTA Christmas Hamper Draw - Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> December

Whole School Mass - Friday, 19th December - 9.15am

Close for Christmas - Friday, 19th December - 1.30pm

Further information regarding the events will follow.

#### '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

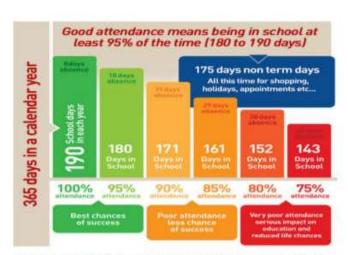
#### **FOSTA Own Clothes Day**

Our second own clothes day will take place on **Friday, 5th December**. We will notify you nearer the time of the type of donations we will be requesting for the Christmas Fair that will take place on Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> December.

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, 24th October to Thursday, 6th November, 2025



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

Rec S	94.41%
Rec T	97.16%
15	95.0%
1/2T	96.25%
2A	95.83%
<i>3</i> S	94.4%
3/4T	95.0%
4A	91.94%
5S	94.17%
5/6T	95.56%
6A	93.75%
Whole School	94.81%
Whole School Target	96.0%

<u>Attendance Winners</u> - A huge well done to Class Reception T who have achieved 97.16% 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 – Well done to Class Reception T who have had no late marks this week

# Shape Space

We are excited to launch a brand-new way for you to have your say in shaping the communities where you live.

Shape Your Space is all about giving you the chance to choose the community projects you would like to see in your area.

This is your chance to decide what matters most to you - your voice will shape what happens in your community!

What you need to know

- You need to register to attend an event
- Free hot food will be served at each event along with hot and cold drinks
- All tenants who attend will be in with a chance of winning a £50 voucher
- Children are Velcome to attend and take part

Visit: www.communitygateway.co.uk/events

Phone: 0800 953 0213 (option 6) and ask for the Engagement Team

Email: get.involved@communitygateway.co.uk

11th Nov 2025 5-7pm - Ashton The Hub at St Bernards Eiswick Rd, Ashton-on-Ribble, PR2 1NT

20th Nov 2025 5-7pm - Moor Nook Moor Nook Youth Hub Burbalme Rd Ribbleton PR2 5HN

4th Dec 2025 5-7pm - Deepdale Catherine Beckett Centre 112 Deepdale Road PRI 5AR

12th Jan 2026 5-7pm - Ingol The Intact Centre 49 Whitby Avenue Ingol, PR2 3YP

28th Jan 2026 5-7pm - Ribbleton Rothwell Hall 11 Farringdon Lane, Ribbleton, PR2 6LX

10th Feb 2026 4-6pm - St Matts West View Leisure Centre Ribbleton Lane, PR1 5EP

24th Feb 2026 5-7pm - Blackpool Ibbison Court Community Centre 70-71 Ibbison Court, FY1 4AT

2nd Mar 2026 5-7pm - South Ribble South Ribble Family Wellbeing Centre Wilkinson Street, Lostock Hall, PR5 5BP

19th Mar 2026 5-7pm - City Centre The Harris, Market Square, Preston, por 200

15th Apr 2026 5-7pm - Brookfield Ascension Church, 450 Watling St Rd, Rithlieton, PR2 5UA

21st Apr 2026 5-7pm - Fishwick Preston Community Hub Samuel Street Preston PRI 4YE



