

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

## ST ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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#### STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS FRIDAY, 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2025

<b>Rec S</b>	Evelyn T-F			<b>Rec T</b>	Charlotte F
<b>1S</b>	Arthur K	<b>1/2T</b>	Edith D	<b>2A</b>	Isabel F-B
<b>3S</b>	Summer O	<b>3/4T</b>	Finley C	<b>4A</b>	Elsie C
<b>5S</b>	Jayden S	<b>5/6T</b>	Harrison S	<b>6A</b>	Lewis D

#### HEADTEACHER AWARDS

Eliza B 5S	Scarlett H 5S	Santi F-B 5S	Farwa E 5/6T	Alice S 5/6T	Elena I 5/6T
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#### CITIZEN AWARD

Arabella B-W 2A	Tristan E 5/6T
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We have had another busy but fun-packed week in school as we continue with our Christmas performances and events. During Monday's assembly, we lit our second Advent candle and the children have continued working on their Advent promises throughout the week.

On Tuesday, the children from Year 5/6T were excited to present our school worship all about the Old Testament and the life of King David. The children worked extremely hard to prepare and presented a beautiful reflection for the rest of the school, parents and families. Our FOSTA Film Night took place on Tuesday evening. The event was a huge success and it was lovely to see the children enjoying watching the films with friends whilst enjoying snacks.

On Wednesday, our Key Stage 1 children delighted us with two wonderful Nativity performances. The children told the story of Jesus' birth, filling church with beautiful singing and joyful energy. We are incredibly proud of the children's hard work and enthusiasm. A heartfelt thank you to all parents and carers for your support in helping the children shine on stage.

Yesterday, it was lovely to see the children wearing their Christmas jumpers and having so much fun at the FOSTA Christmas Fair. A special mention must go to the children from our Mini Vinnie group for their fantastic effort in raising £61.00 for Derian House from the proceeds of their stall. A big thank you to our hardworking FOSTA team for arranging such a successful event for our children.

I hope you will be able to join us next week in church at our Carol Service on Wednesday evening or the whole school Mass on Friday morning.

Have a lovely 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  
15th December  
will be week 1 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](#)

### Sporting News

Last Saturday, our Year 5/6 boys' football team were invited to watch the exciting match between Preston North End and Wrexham. The boys represented the school brilliantly, showing impeccable behaviour and enjoying the game in great spirits.

At half-time, the team were due to take penalties on the pitch but, unfortunately, the ground staff deemed the surface unsafe for play. However, PNE have kindly offered us another opportunity in the future, and the same boys will be invited back to enjoy this experience.

A huge thank you to Mrs Livesey and Miss Duffy for accompanying the team, and to the parents who supported the trip. We are proud of the boys and look forward to their next chance to shine.

### Outstanding Parent Pay Accounts

Please can we ask that all our key stage 2 parents check your parent pay accounts and, if relevant, clear any outstanding balances prior to breaking up for our Christmas break. Please can we remind you that all meals should be paid for in advance.

### Deadline Day for Whole School Toast, Fruit Toast and Milk

Just to remind you, today is deadline day for ordering toast, fruit toast and milk. Please be aware, we will not be able to take orders after today.

### School Led Before and After School Extra-curricular Clubs

All school led before and after school extra-curricular clubs will finish today until after Christmas.

### Christmas Hamper Donations

Please can we ask that any remaining Christmas Hamper donations be sent to school on Monday.



### *Dates for your diary*

Autumn Term begins—Tuesday, 2nd September  
Whole School Mass—Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> September  
Y4A Class Mass—Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> September  
Meet the Teacher—Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> September  
Y6A Class Assembly—Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> September  
Y3/4T Class Mass—Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September  
Extra-curricular Clubs begin—Monday, 22nd September  
Y5/6T Class Mass—Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September  
Y3S Class Assembly—Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> September  
Y1S Class Mass—Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> September  
Y2A Class Assembly—Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> October  
Mini-Vinnies Coffee Morning—Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> October  
Y5S Class Mass—Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> October  
Harvest Festival—Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> October  
Wear Yellow Day for mental health—Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> October  
Y3S Class Mass—Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> October  
Y4A Class Assembly—Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> October  
Nasal Flu Vaccination Session—Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> October  
Wear Red Day for Kick out racism—Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> October  
Y6A Class Mass—Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> October  
Y1/2T Class Assembly—Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October  
FOSTA Own Clothes Day—Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> November  
Y2A Class Mass—Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> November  
Y5S Class Assembly—Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> November  
Open Night (new starters)—Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> November  
Tempest School Photos—Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> November  
Parents Afternoon / Evening—Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> November  
Y5/6T Class Assembly—Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> November—changed  
M&M Theatre Production—Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> November  
Y3/4T Class Assembly—Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> November  
Y1/2T 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  
Y5/6T Class Assembly—Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> December  
FOSTA Film Night—Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> December  
KS1 Nativity—Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> December  
Christmas Jumper Day—Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> December  
FOSTA Christmas Fair—Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> December  
Rec Nativity - Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> December  
Years 5 & 6 Carol Service - Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> December  
FOSTA Christmas Hamper Draw - Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> December  
Christmas Lunch - Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> December  
Christmas Parties—Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> December  
Whole School Mass - Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> December  
Close for Christmas - Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> December at 1.30pm

### Christmas Jumper Day

Our second Christmas Jumper/Own Clothes Day will take place next Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> December, which is the day of the FOSTA Christmas Hamper draw, our Christmas lunch and class parties. Christmas jumpers can be worn with own clothes.

### Advance Notice of Christmas Events

Please see below next week's Christmas related events that will take place:-

**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, Christmas Jumper/Own Clothes Day** - Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> December

**Christmas Lunch and Parties** - Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> December

**Whole School Mass** - Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> December - 9.15am

**Close for Christmas** - Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> December - 1.30pm

### End of Term Reminder

Just to remind you, next Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> December, is the last day of term and school closes at 1.30pm prompt.

### Wednesday Word

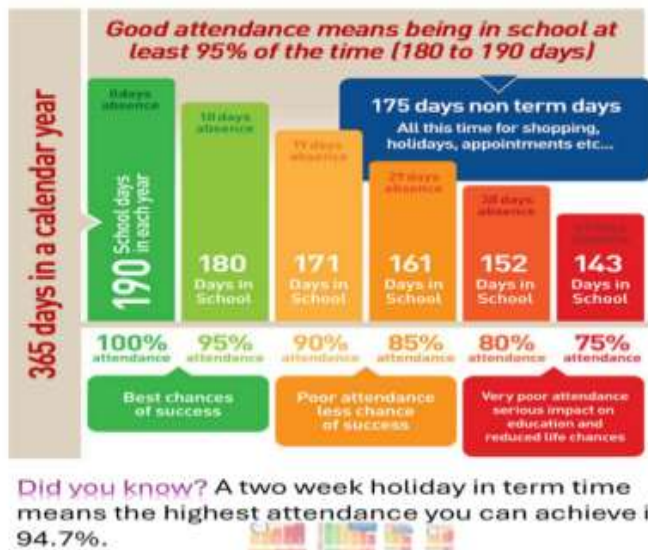
Please see below a link to this week's 'Wednesday Word' Catholic resource for families:-

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

### Reception 2026 Application Closing Date

Reception 2026 online applications must be made by Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2026 through the following link:- [www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://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.

### Attendance – Friday, 5th December to Thursday, 11th December, 2025



Rec S	82.22%
Rec T	87.27%
1S	92.33%
1/2T	92.0%
2A	97.67%
3S	87.24%
3/4T	94.67%
4A	93.23%
5S	89.0%
5/6T	95.81%
6A	96.21%
Whole School	91.96%
Whole School Target	96.0%

**Attendance Winners** - A huge well done to Class 2A who have achieved 97.67% attendance this week.

**Punctuality** - Registration is at 8.45am prompt and when a child arrives in class after 8.50am 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