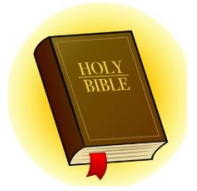




ALSTON LANE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY

Learning and Growing as Children of God

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER Friday 13th March 2026



4th Sunday in Lent. John 4:5-42

'...As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.' Having said these things, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva. Then he anointed the man's eyes with the mud and said to him, 'Go, wash in the pool of Siloam' (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing.



Gold Awards *Awarded for achievements in their work.*

Reception	Oliver Cavanagh for showing patience and care when being creative.
Year 1	Emily Hough for always trying her best in our lessons and sharing her knowledge during class discussions. Well done Emily!
Year 2	Darnell Gregory Millward for showing enthusiasm and engagement during our English lessons.
Year 3	Abigail Harrison for showing great knowledge, enthusiasm and curiosity during our English topic on Ancient Rome. She is on her way to becoming a Roman expert!
Year 4	Lois Gowans for a focused attitude in learning and excellence through all subjects this week. Amelia Jackson for showing eagerness to help and support others while consistently producing wonderful work herself.
Year 5	Hayley Wright for fabulous work and enthusiasm – her Shakespeare work in particular!
Year 6	Seth Sharples for an absolutely amazing week, working hard and showing fantastic behaviour. Well done Seth!

Super Citizens *For children showing the Gospel Value of Justice.*

Reception	Charlie Majcher for being a kind friend and sharing his book.
Year 1	Kali Wittshire for showing justice by making sure everyone is happy and caring for her friends. Well done Kali!
Year 2	Isabelle Platt for being a wonderful example of justice being a thoughtful and fair member of the class.
Year 3	Ethan Procter for demonstrating justice through always treating others with fairness and forgiveness. His positive attitude helps create a space where everyone feels valued.
Year 4	Kason Adams for listening to others intently and sharing opinions in a fair and balanced way. Frankie Jackson for always showing honesty, fairness and making the right choices.
Year 5	Victoria Costa for always acting with truth and integrity in all areas of school life!
Year 6	Poppy Banner for always putting others first and showing fairness. Thank you Poppy!

Winter Week 1 (20th April)					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Chicken Goujons or Vegetable Finger Wrap Paprika Potatoes Veg or BBQ Beans	Mild Beef or Vegetable Chilli Nacho Bake, Rice and Sweetcorn	Pork or Vegetarian Sausages & Yorkshire Pudding, Mash, Veg & Gravy	Chicken or Quorn Balti Curry with Rice & Naan Bread	Fish or Vegetable Fingers with Oven Baked Chips, Peas
2	Pasta Tubes & Tomato Sauce with Dough Balls & Salad (v)	Summer Picnic Lunch: Sandwiches, Vegetarian Sausage Roll, Pasta Salad,	Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta with Herby Bread and Salad (v)	Cheese Flan with Baby Potatoes (v)	Pizza Margherita (v)
3	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Choice of Sandwich	Jacket Potato	Choice of Sandwich

Winter Week 2 (16th March)					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Loaded pizza panini with paprika wedges and peas (v)	Crispy chicken or veg (v) Goujons & Katsu curry sauce with rainbow rice	Pork or Veg (v) Sausages & Yorkshire Pudding, mash & veg	Spaghetti Bolognese & Dough Balls (v)	Crispy battered Fish fingers (or veg fingers) & chips
2	Tomato & mascarpone pasta with herby bread (v)	Puff pastry cheese whirl with herby potatoes, peas or beans (v)	Pasta spirals & tomato sauce with dough balls (v)	Choice of filled omelette with wedges and beans (v)	Pizza Margherita & chips (v)
3	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Choice of sandwich

Winter Week 3 (23rd Mar, 13 Apr)					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Pork & carrot meatballs or Veg meatballs (v), mild Chilli & sweet pepper sauce, rice & salad	Savoury mince & dumplings with mashed potatoes, green beans, carrots	Roast Chicken or Quorn (v), Roast Potatoes & Veg	Chicken curry or veg curry (v) with mixed rice and naan bread	Fish Fingers or veg fingers (v) & Chips
2	Harry Ramsden's salmon and sweet	Pasta tubes & tomato sauce (v) with dough balls	Tomato & Mascarpone	Vegetarian sausage roll,	Pizza Margherita & chips (v)

	potato fishcake, herby potatoes (v)		Pasta with herby Bread (v)	paprika potatoes, peas or beans (v)	
3	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Choice of sandwich

Current attendance by year group for this academic year:

Green = above national average

Red = below national average

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
School Average	93.1%	91.7%	95.4%	96.3%	97.4%	97.3%	94.1%
National Average	93.9%	94.6%	95.0%	95.2%	95.1%	95.0%	94.7%

Parents' Evenings – March 2026

Face-to-face parents' meetings will take place in the school hall on Mon 23rd March and Tues 24th March. Bookings will be possible from Monday 16th at 6pm.

Mrs Woodrow (the school's SENDCO) will also be available for meetings, should parents wish to speak. No bookings for this are necessary. Just visit her table when she is free.



Nursery Prices from April 2026

Each year, we change our prices to reflect the Government's funding rates for 2 year olds and 3 & 4 year olds. Thank you for your understanding.

2 year olds	£7.80 per hour (up by 33p)	£23.40 per session	£3.90 half hour top up
3 & 4 year olds	£5.88 per hour (up by 15p)	£17.64 per session	£2.94 half hour top up



Easter Bingo and Egg Painting Competition

Join us on Wednesday 25th March for Easter Bingo in the school hall. This event is JUST Bingo with prizes. There is no food or drink included or on sale.

Bring your own refreshments.

£2 per person – to be pre-paid via Arbor

Egg Painting Competition – Each decorated egg will win a prize! The overall winner will win a BIGGER prize!

If using a real egg, please blow it rather than hard boiled please as they smell less!

Entries should be brought into school from Monday 23rd March. **FREE TO ENTER**

All entries will be displayed in school and the winner selected before we close for Easter.

Your eggs can be on any theme: Easter, films, books, teachers, anything you like...



Easter Egg Raffle for CAFOD

Each year we hold our egg raffle for CAFOD (a Catholic charity for overseas development). They help the poorest communities in the world to help themselves, through work, farming, and improving lives through education.

Please can each child bring one egg (or more) into school. These will be displayed in the hall. Children can then buy raffle tickets to win the eggs in our final week of school. Tickets are £1 a strip and we limit each child to 2 strips, so the raffle is fair and we are not asking too much of you. Thank you for your support and helping to raise funds for CAFOD this Easter.

Easter Eggs can be brought in right up to our final day in school.

Tickets on sale (Max £2) from 16th March.

Raffle draw will take place on our last day in school – Friday 27th March.

Sporting News

The Year 5 & 6 football team played their next game in the 'Knock out Cup' on Wednesday afternoon. They travelled to Queen's Drive Primary School for this crucial game, hoping to progress to the quarter finals. Unfortunately, despite valiant efforts, they lost 4:0. Well done for your teamwork and resilience.

Dates for the Diary

March

- 17 6.30pm Full Governors' Meeting
- 23 Parents' Evening day 1 – in school
- 24 Parents' Evening day 2 – in school
- 25 PTFA Bingo 5.45pm - 7.30pm
- 26 2.45pm Class Worship – Easter Focus – Year 3
- 27 Close for Easter holidays

April

- 5 Easter Sunday
- 13 School reopens for summer term

May

- 4 School closed - Bank Holiday
- 11-14 KS2 SATs Week
- 14-20 Book Fair
- 18-20 Year 4 at Tower Wood
- 18 3pm Year 1 Class Worship – Parents invited
- 21 PTFA Colour Run - sponsored event
- 21 Close for half term
- 22 INSET Day – school closed

June

- 1 School reopens for summer 2 half term
- 15 3pm Reception Class Worship – Parents invited
- 15 Class Photographs
- 15 6.30pm Full Governors Meeting
- 16 Sports Day – Juniors 1pm / Infants 2.30pm
- 27 Grimsargh Field Day – all invited to take part

July

- 2 Move Up Day (Y6 at Secondary Schools)
- 13 Reports to Parents
- 13 Leavers' Mass 6pm
- 15 Governors' SEC meeting 6pm
- 17 9.30am End of Year Whole School Mass
- 17 2.30pm Leavers' Assembly and Close for summer at 3.30pm

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