

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

## ST ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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#### **STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS** **FRIDAY, 8<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2026**

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1S	Olive D	1/2T	Jack H	2A	Nylah S
3S	Louie H	3/4T	Bertie W	4A	Lena M
5S	Emily H	5/6T	Farwa E	6A	Harriet B

#### **FOREST SCHOOL AWARD**

Daniel J	6A
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#### **CITIZEN AWARD**

Holly B	4A
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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  
11<sup>th</sup> May, 2026  
will be week 1 of the  
Spring/Summer menu

We hope that everyone had a lovely long Bank Holiday weekend.

Thank you to the parents and grandparents who attended this week's 3/4T class Mass in church. Also to those who attended 1S class Assembly; the children led us in a lovely worship based on Pentecost, the birthday of the church. They read and sang beautifully.

Next Tuesday, the children from 3S class will attend Mass and we hope that you can join them.

Next week is a busy week for us. The Year 6 children will sit their SATs. We wish them lots of luck and know that they will do us proud. Parents please do encourage your children to have a good rest this weekend and, hopefully, the weather will be kind so that they can get out in the fresh air. On Friday, as a special end of SATs treat, the children will have the opportunity to visit the park and the ice-cream van will be joining them!!!

Please can we request that the rest of the children be in school on time each day to avoid disruption to our Year 6 children sitting their SATs.

Our 3/4T class children will start their two-week block of swimming lessons. We are sure that they will do as well as the children from 4A class.

We hope that you will be able to join us in church at 11.00am on Thursday to celebrate Ascension Day.

We are inviting the children to wear green on Friday to support mental health awareness. Please check this newsletter for more information.

Please do always check the 'dates for your diary' section of this newsletter as we are constantly updating it.

Have a lovely weekend!  
Mrs Barnes

### Year 1/2 Football Tournament

Huge congratulations to our Year 1/2 football team for reaching the final of the annual Preston Schools Under-7 Football Tournament this week. The team played brilliantly throughout the competition, showing fantastic skill, determination and teamwork in every match.

Well done to James, Oscar, Evelyn, Joshua, Harper and Jack and thank you all for being such outstanding representatives of St. Anthony's.



### Year 3/4 Quads Team Event

A massive well done to our Year 3/4 Quads team - Bella, Alana, Carys, Grace, Jack, Axel, Bertie and Nicolas who represented St. Anthony's to the highest degree! These talented athletes showcased incredible versatility by competing in a 50m sprint, a 400m race, the long jump, and a throwing event. Every child performed amazingly, demonstrating both grit on the track and fantastic sportsmanship on the field. We are so proud of their efforts and look forward to sharing the official results with the school community as soon as they arrive!

### Good luck wishes to our Year 6 children

Our Year 6 team wish the children lots of luck for their SATs and ask that you keep them in your prayers. At 8.15am each morning, we will be having a Year 6 breakfast club where the children can relax and spend time with their friends. Please can we request that any children who are not attending the breakfast club be at school for 8.45am prompt. A gentle reminder that smartwatches or fitbits are not allowed during SATs week. The children have worked so hard; they deserve every success coming their way!



### *Dates for your diary*

- ~~Summer Term begins~~ - Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> April
- ~~Yrs 5/6 Robinwood Trip~~ - Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> - Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April
- ~~Reception Vision Screening Checks~~ - Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> April
- ~~Bank Holiday Closure~~ - Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> May
- ~~Extra-curricular Before and After School Clubs begin~~ - Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> May
- Year 6 Statutory Tests - Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> - Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> May inclusive Class
- Wear Green for Mental Health Day - Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> May
- Reception/Year 6 Height and Weight Checks - Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> May
- Reception 2026 Intake Induction Meeting - Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> May
- FOSTA Own Clothes Day - Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> May
- Half Term Break - Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> May - Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> June
- Inset Day (School Closed) - Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June
- Year 4 Multiplication Check Window - Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> June - Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> June
- Reception Trip to Smithills Farm - Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June
- Year 1 Phonics Screening Check - week commencing 8<sup>th</sup> June
- Year 6 Bikeability Training - week commencing 15<sup>th</sup> June
- Year 4 Sacrament of Holy Communion - Sat/Sun, 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> June
- EYFS/KS1 Sports Day - Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> June - 9.15am-11.15am
- KS2 Sports Day - Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> June - 1.30pm-3.15pm
- FOSTA Summer Fair - Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> June - after school
- Move Up Day - Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> July
- FOSTA Summer Discos - Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> July
- Extra-curricular Before and After School Clubs Finish - Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> July
- Year 6 Leavers' Productions - Mon, 13<sup>th</sup> July - 6.00pm & Tue, 14<sup>th</sup> July - 1.45pm
- Year 6 Leavers' Assembly - Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> July - 2.00pm
- Break up for Summer - Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> July - 1.30pm

**Please see below the dates for this term's class Masses that will take place in church at 9.15am:-**

- ~~Class 5S Mass~~ - Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> April
- ~~Class 3/4T Mass~~ - Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> May
- Class 3S Mass - Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> May
- Whole School Ascension Day Mass - Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> May
- Class 5/6T Mass - Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> May
- Class 4A Mass - Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> June
- Class 6A Mass - Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> June
- Class 1/2T Mass - Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> June
- Class 2A Mass - Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> June
- Class 1S Mass - Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> June
- Reception Mass - Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> July
- Whole School Mass - Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> July

**Please see below the dates for this term's class Assemblies that will take place in school at 9.05am:-**

- ~~Class 1S Assembly~~ - Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> May
- Class 5S Assembly - Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> June
- Class 2A Assembly - Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> June - 2.40pm
- Class 3/4T Assembly - Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> June
- Class 3S Assembly - Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> July
- Class 1/2T Assembly - Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> July - 2.40pm.

### Mental Health Awareness Week

Next week, we will be marking Mental Health Awareness Week, a time to reflect on the importance of looking after our mental health and wellbeing, and to promote kindness, understanding and support within our school community.

To show our support, we will be holding a “Wear Green for Mental Health” day on Friday, 15th May where children can wear a green item of clothing or accessory coupled with their own clothes (non-uniform).

We look forward to everyone getting involved and helping to raise awareness of mental health in a positive and supportive way.

### Walk to School Week

Walk to School Week takes place week commencing 18th May. School will be supporting Walk to School Week through activities and discussions in class.

We encourage as many pupils and families as possible to walk to school, or walk part of the journey, during this week. Even parking a little further away and walking the last section helps to promote healthy habits, wellbeing, and care for the environment.

We look forward to seeing lots of pupils taking part and enjoying the benefits of being active together.

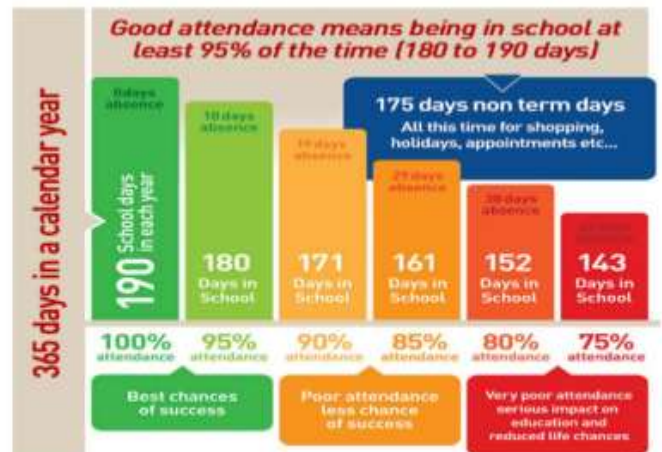
### Reception 2026 Intake Induction Meeting

Our Reception 2026 intake induction meeting will take place in school from 5.45pm-6.45pm on Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> May. This meeting is for new Reception parents to St. Anthony's and for our existing parents whose children are joining us in our Reception unit this September. Parents will have the opportunity to meet our Early Years team and other members of the school community.

### Wednesday Word

Please see below a link to this week's 'Wednesday Word' Catholic resource for families:- <https://www.wednesdayword.org/school/index.htm>

### Attendance – Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> May to Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> May, 2026



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

Rec S	92.93%
Rec T	97.16%
1S	95.83%
1/2T	95.83%
2A	96.67%
3S	96.25%
3/4T	95.42%
4A	95.16%
5S	95.83%
5/6T	94.35%
6A	95.69%
<b>Whole School</b>	<b>95.57%</b>
<b>Whole School Target</b>	<b>96.0%</b>

**Attendance Winners** - A huge well done to Reception T who have achieved 97.16% attendance this week.

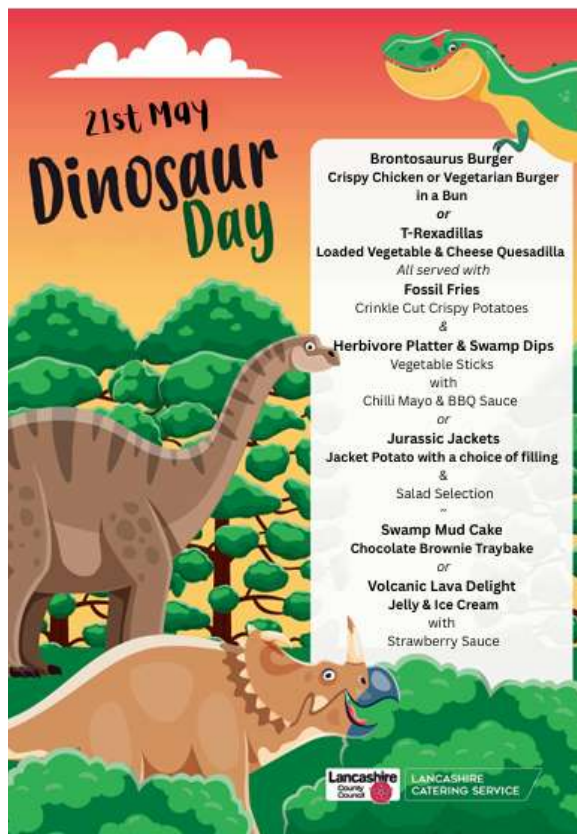
**Punctuality** - Registration is at 8.45am prompt and when a child arrives in class after 8.50am they receive a late mark. Arriving on time is important, being late means that children miss the start of lessons, which means lost learning.



**No Lates** – Unfortunately, all of our classes have had late marks this week.

**National Dinosaur Day Themed Lunch**

We are having the following themed lunch on Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> May. As usual, there is no need to book in advance, just let class know on the day and make the payment through your Arbor App, if applicable:-



There will also be the jacket potato option with a choice of fillings.

**Advance Notice - Year 6 Production/Assembly**

This year our Year 6 children will be showcasing their leavers' production at 6.00pm on Monday, 13th July and at 1.45pm on Tuesday, 14<sup>h</sup> July. More information will be sent home in due course but we can promise you an evening/afternoon that you won't forget!!

Our Year 6 Assembly will take place at 2.00pm on Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> July. This will certainly be an afternoon where you will need your tissues!!