

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 9th January 2026

St Anthony's Catholic Primary School



Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

First of all- a Happy New Year to you all. I pray that this year will be full of peace, joy and happy memories for you and your families. We are delighted to welcome pupils back for the Spring term and to see such a positive start to learning across the school. Pupils have returned refreshed, motivated, and ready to learn, setting a wonderful tone for the term ahead.

A very warm welcome to all our new pupils and families joining us here at St Anthony's! It has been wonderful to see the launch of our brand-new facility, Bright Star Nursery at St Anthony's, which now offers care from 7:30am until 6pm. We're excited about this fantastic addition to our community and encourage you to spread the word about our wonderful new provision!

This afternoon, we welcomed a visit from our local MP, Liam Conlon, along with several Labour councillors. The strong partnership we have built between the school and local government is wonderful and inspiring for us all. We cherish and appreciate the ongoing support we receive from our leaders in parliament.

This week, our Governors visited the school and enjoyed a learning walk with a particular focus on Catholic Social Teaching. They were extremely impressed by the high quality of pupils' work, the strong understanding shown, and the way our school values are lived out in classrooms and around the school.

With an exciting and busy term ahead, we look forward to many opportunities for learning, growth, and celebration. Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Ms Gayle

Dining at St Anthony's

The dining hall is a special place where children come together to share a meal. We are actively teaching them about table manners, dining etiquette, and showing respect for themselves and others.

We kindly ask that you reinforce these lessons at home by practicing skills such as using a knife and fork correctly, speaking calmly and quietly, lining up sensibly, using polite manners, saying "please" and "thank you," avoiding food waste, and not speaking with mouths full. These are important social skills they will carry with them throughout life, and together we can help set them up for success.



Bright Star Nursery at St Anthony's

Open- 7:30am-6pm

The children are thriving at Bright Star Nursery at St Anthony's. They're making new friends, discovering new things, and having a truly marvellous time.



Dates for the Diary

Y3 Mass at St Anthony's Church- Thurs 15th Jan

Y2 Mass at St Anthony's Church- Thurs 29th Jan

Children's Mental Health Week- From Mon 9th Feb

Safer Internet Day- Tues 10th Feb

Y1 Mass at St Anthony's Church- Thurs 12th Feb

Break up- Fri 13th Feb