

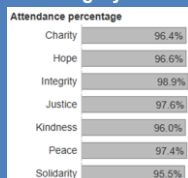


ST ANTHONY'S NEWS

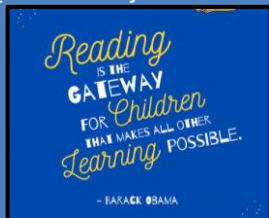
“Learning with Joy, Serving with Love, In Christ Jesus”

Love | Faith | Resilience

Attendance: Well done Integrity Class!



Quote of the Day:



Scripture of the Day:

During the month of October, we join together to honour Our Lady and seek the loving intercession of Mary, our Blessed Mother.



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another fantastic week at St Anthony's, and it is wonderful to see our pupil leaders taking on their new responsibilities with such confidence and pride.

School Tours for Prospective Parents (September 2027)

This week, we held our very first school tour for prospective parents looking ahead to September 2027. Our Head Boy and Head Girl led the tour exceptionally well, showcasing our school and highlighting the excellent behaviour that was evident across every classroom.

Celebrating Our Exceptional KS2 SATs Results

I am delighted to officially share our outstanding Key Stage 2 SATs results, which were well above the national average across the board. Below is a breakdown of the percentage of pupils who achieved the expected standard or above. This success is true proof that when staff, parents, and children work together, our children can and will excel!

Subject	St Anthony's	National Average
Reading	80%	75%
Writing	93%	73%
Maths	93%	75%
GPS	80%	74%

St Oscar Romero Catholic Academy Trust Beginning of the Year Mass

Our Year 5 pupils represented the school with immense dignity and grace at the Beginning of the Year Mass at St George's Cathedral. Their behaviour was exceptional, and several members of the public went out of their way to comment on how smart and brilliantly behaved they were. We are extremely proud of them.

National Poetry Day Celebrations

Yesterday, we were treated to a delightful celebration for National Poetry Day! Pupils, staff, and parents filled the hall with incredible talent and creativity. We were also thrilled to welcome Councillor Simon Jeal, who joined in the fun and shared a poem with us. A special thank you goes to the parents who performed a wonderful poem from Nigeria- it was a truly special highlight and a fitting way to celebrate the power and joy of poetry. Thank you all for your continued support, and I wish you a restful and happy weekend.

Ms Gayle

LEARNING AT ST ANTHONY'S

Beginning of the Year Mass

Year 5 represented St Anthony's wonderfully at our Trust's Beginning of the Year Mass at St George's Cathedral. After a beautiful service, our pupils enjoyed joining together with children from across the Trust for an afternoon of games and friendly fun. Special occasions like this are a wonderful reminder of how we are all part of something so much bigger.



National Poetry Day

This week, St Anthony's came together to spark our imaginations and celebrate the magic of National Poetry Day. Inspired by this year's thought-provoking theme, "I Wonder...", pupils (and staff) across all year groups let their creativity soar through reading, writing, and spoken word. The school was buzzing with enthusiasm as children crafted original verses and performed fantastic poems with incredible confidence. A huge thank you goes to Mrs. Mansaray for her hard work and organisation in making the day such a wonderful success!



Allergy Awareness

Our entire school has taken a meaningful step ensuring we are fully allergy aware after all pupils attended an inspiring virtual assembly hosted by the Sadie Bristow Foundation. The session helped the children understand severe allergies and learn how small actions keep everyone safe, directly reflecting the safety measures outlined in Benedict's Law. As a reminder, we are a strictly nut-free school. Please carefully check your child's packed lunch content to ensure our school remains a safe place for all.



Dates for the Diary:

Monday 28th September- Free Breakfast Club for Reception to Year 6 continues (Make sure you sign up!)

Tuesday Wednesday 21st October- Maths Coffee Morning

Thurs 1st October- Year 6 PGL Meeting (Start saving!)

Thurs 22nd October- Cultural Dress Day- Children come to school in tradition/ cultural attire or colours of flags that represent their background.

Thurs 22nd October- School breaks up for half-term at 3pm

Friday 23rd October- INSET Day (No school for the children)

Celebration of the Word:

Gospel Reading: Matthew 21:28-32

In the story of the two sons, Jesus teaches us that doing the right thing is much more important than just saying, we will. One son said "no" at first, but then felt sorry and went to help his father in the vineyard. The other son said "yes," but he never actually went to help. Jesus wants us to know that God cares about what is in our hearts and the actions we choose. Catholic Social Teaching reminds us that every person is special to God, including people who have made mistakes in the past. God loves it when we help care for others and stand up for those who are left out or need extra help. True love for God means choosing to be kind, helpful, and honest through our everyday actions.

Keeping Children Safe Online

Both platforms include dedicated "Grown-ups" sections offering practical tips, conversation starters, and step-by-step guides for parents.



Parking Safety

We kindly ask families to show consideration for our local neighbours during the school run. Regrettably, we have received complaints about parents parking on private property and blocking driveways. To help keep our community safe, we strongly encourage all families to walk to school whenever possible. Travelling on foot boosts physical health, improves mental well-being with fresh air, and helps children arrive ready to learn. Walking together also provides quality family time, reduces traffic congestion at the school gates, cuts carbon emissions, and saves fuel. If you live further away, please consider parking a short distance away in an appropriate place and walking the remaining part of the journey. Thank you for your support in keeping our neighbourhood safe and harmonious.



The information below relates to events and opportunities within the local community. These are shared for the benefit of families but are not school-organised activities and are separate from the school's programme.

**CELEBRATE
INTERFAITH
WEEK 12
NOVEMBER**



To confirm your free place, Scan the QR Code,
Or visit: www.bit.ly/4hkf5Jz,
Or email: liam.conlon.mp@parliament.uk

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A wonderful poem written for St Anthony's Children by our Year 3 Class Teacher, Miss Stewart- Enjoy!

I Wonder About Children
I often wonder about children,
I really, really do.
I wonder why their pencils
Disappear at half-past two.

I wonder why at playtime
Nobody ever needs the loo,
But thirty seconds into Maths...
"Miss! I REALLY need to go!"

I wonder how a jumper
Can vanish without trace,
While one small speck of Blu Tack
Can be spotted from outer space.

I wonder why, when hands go up
And someone's picked to speak,
They stare at me in silence,
"I've forgotten, Miss" – Fantastic.

I wonder why a tiny cut
Requires the greatest care,
But falling off a climbing frame?
They're flying through the air!

But most of all, I wonder
At all the things they say:
"Why is the moon still out, Miss?"
"Where does the dark go in the day?"

"Do fish ever get thirsty?"
"Can a cloud fall from the sky?"
"Can the flowers hear me?"
And my favourite question: "Whyyy?"

And suddenly I understand!
What wonder really means
It's finding something magical
In ordinary things.

So, keep on asking questions.
Keep wondering what is true.
Because this world is wonderful
and so, in fact, are you.