

St Anthony's Catholic Primary School

NEWSLETTER

Spring Term, 13th March, 2026



Dear Parents, Carers, and Children,

What a busy and exciting week we have had in school! On Monday, during our Gospel Assembly, we listened to the story of *The Woman at the Well*. We reflected on how Jesus welcomed everyone with kindness and understanding, reminding us that we should treat others with respect and compassion.

On Wednesday, our school hall was transformed into a Potato Museum! We were absolutely blown away by the creativity shown in the wonderful potato book characters that children created at home. From favourite story heroes to well-known villains, the imagination and effort on display were fantastic. Thank you to everyone who took part.

Throughout the week, our Year 3 children have enjoyed a fantastic trip to Tatton Park, where they took part in a Stone Age workshop. The children learned all about how people lived thousands of years ago. Ask them some questions at home – they are now expert historians!

Today, our Eco Council members proudly represented the school by taking part in the Big Wythenshawe Spring Clean. They helped with a litter pick at Tayfield Park, showing great care for our local environment and community. Well done to everyone involved.

Finally, a reminder that the Book Fair arrives in school on Monday. Families are welcome to visit the fair after school to browse and purchase a book. Every purchase helps us earn new books for our school library, so thank you for supporting this.

Have a wonderful weekend and a Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers, grandmothers, carers, dads and family members who play such an important role.

Miss E Simmons
Headteacher



Mission Star Winners

Nursery

Mrs Drake - Ellis
Miss Allen - Freya
Miss Mulchrone - Dilsha
Miss Parkinson - Mejli
Mrs Matloob - Theo

Reception

RVR - Rose J
RLL - Abdalazeem
RHT - Anam

Year 1

1LM - Edward
1MB - Skyla
1RB - Leo

Year 2

2CD - Rithwik
2CO - Abigail
2AH - Shaiye

Year 3

3TM - Whole Class
3CO - Whole Class
3FC - Gabbi

Year 4

4ZS - Miguel
4MS - Maia
4MF - Solomon

Year 5

5DH - Ivana
5KM - Faith
5TL - Austin

Year 6

6HJ - Jimmi
6GO - Blayne
6KD - Edwin

This Sunday we celebrate Laetare Sunday, the fourth Sunday of Lent. Laetare means "rejoice", reminding us that even in the middle of Lent, the joy of Easter is getting closer.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus heals a man who had been blind from birth. As the man's sight is restored, he begins to understand more clearly who Jesus is. The story reminds us that Jesus not only helps people see with their eyes, but also helps them see with their hearts.

During Lent we are invited to ask Jesus to open our eyes too - to notice those who may need kindness, to appreciate the gifts we have been given, and to see God at work in our lives and in our school community.

Loving God,

Open our eyes to see the good around us.
Help us to show kindness, compassion and understanding to others.

As we continue our Lenten journey, fill our hearts with hope and joy as we look forward to Easter.

Amen.

Let Your Words Teach and Your Actions Speak

Class Chronicals, Prayer Leaders in Action!

We have continued our Lenten journey by taking part in the Wythenshawe Catholic Schools Prayer Relay. Last week, we welcomed our friends St Elizabeth's into our school hall to share their reflection on the Transfiguration with us. On Monday morning, we walked to St John Fisher and Thomas More Catholic Primary School to lead the next stage of the relay. We shared a Celebration of the Word based on this Sunday's Gospel, The Woman at the Well. Passing around clay models of wells that we made, we reflected on how Jesus offers each of us his "living water."

Taking part in this Prayer Relay has encouraged us to think more deeply about Lent and how we can use this season to grow closer to God through prayer. We hope our work inspires the rest of the school to pray more, listen more, and make space for God each day during Lent.



Attendance WC 9th March

Whole School = 94.55%

EYFS = Mrs Tollitt = 98.67%

KS1 = Mrs Brooke = 98.47%

KS2 = Mr Cooke = 98.85%

541 pupils has 100% attendance.



Attendance Fact:

Did you know?

Missing just one day of school every two weeks can add up to nearly 4 weeks of learning lost over a school year.

Good attendance really does make a big difference!



Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 17th March - Year 5 Sponsored Swim



Tuesday 17th March - Wear Green, White and Gold for St Patrick's Day



Wednesday 18th March - Global Day of Recycling



Friday 20th March - Year 5 and 6 Reading Plus Party

Friday 20th March - 4MF Class Assembly, 9am

Tuesday 24th March - Rocksteady Concert



Friday 27th March - 4MS Class Assembly, 9am

WC Monday 30th March - Holy Week

Thursday 2nd April - School finishes at 1:15pm for Easter Holiday

