<u>St Antony's RC School: Fortnightly Bulletin for Parents and Carers –</u> <u>edition #3</u> Date: 24th March 2025



Important Dates

- Thurs 27th March Y11 invite-only parents' evening
- Thurs 3rd April Y8 Parents' Evening
- Fri 4th April Whole school mass + rewards day in school for all pupils who meet the attendance criteria (moved from Thurs 3rd April). Break up for Easter holiday.
- Tues 22nd April Start of the Summer Term school reopens after the Easter break

Assembly Messaging: W/C 24th March is a Pupil Voice assembly - students have been asked in form time to prepare a question for SLT, like a St Antony's version of question time. We know how important it is that we listen to pupil voice. The W/C 31st March is the half termly rewards assembly, with a focus on integrity and this very important school value.

Student Achievements: over the last fortnight, the following pupils have been nominated by subject teachers for excellence in relation to their learning in lessons

English	Archie L (Y9)
Maths	Paul S (Y9), Sammy D (Y11), Bobby W (Y8), Oliver B (Y11)
Science	Kian B (Y11), Tegan N (Y9), Shiv P (Y7), Megan J (Y11)
History	Theo M (Y7)
Geography	William S (Y7), Harvey J (Y11), Caleb G (Y7), Jimmy W (Y11)
Computer Science	Alfie H (Y10)
PE	Bobby W (Y8), Sinead K (Y11)
RE	George D (Y8), Josh S (Y11)
French	Haadiya K (Y9),Jorja C (Y9), Alex B (Y11)
Spanish	Isaac K (Y8), Sofia W (Y8)
Business	Harrison K (Y11), Maisy J (Y11)
Music	Louis I (Y9), Samuel H (Y8)
Art	Annalise O (Y7)
Technology	Anya C (Y8)

- Over the last fortnight, the following pupils are in the top 5 in their year group for acquiring the most amount of achievement points
 - Y7 Anais E-M, Isla J, George E, Corey F, Felix L
 - o Y8 Faizan A, Harry A, Riley A, Zane B, Ayanda C
 - Y9 Joshua M, Charlie L, Jack G, Rafael M, Fin T
 - Y10 Matthew F, Peggy L-F, Dominik S, Katie J, Jake C
 - Y11 Dereck A-F, Kian B, Reece B, Amy C, Zayd A
- Our values focus in the upcoming half term is **service**. Pupils will be awarded achievement points, certificates and letters of commendation by staff for living this out in our school community.
- Looking ahead, our end of year rewards trip to Blackpool on 10th July 2025 will be available for all pupils in Y7-10 to attend, should successfully they meet the **attitude to learning** criteria.

General Notices & Reminders

- Uniform reminder: Footwear: A reminder students are expected to wear plain black school shoes. Sports brands are not accepted in line with our uniform policy. School has a large number of new school shoes available for borrowing should any needs arise. Any medical issues require a doctor's note otherwise students will be required to change into school shoes. Thank you for your continued support of our high expectations in regards to uniform.
- **Behaviour updates:** Our amazing Years 10s were on work experience last week and we want to share some of their employers' quotes with you all from our wider community.
 - "The groups of boys you brought to the Etihad construction morning with CISC were so polite and wellmannered and an absolute credit to your school - we hope they take a keen interest in joining our sector"
 - "What an exceptional young man. Very inquisitive & represents our company so well I've offered him a Summer job ".
 - "Great work ethic even staying beyond 4pm"

- "She has been a credit to the school just get's stuck in!".
- If there was more space we would share them all! Well done Year 10 you are superb ambassadors for our school!

News for coming fortnight:

- The Dignify school survey, completed over form times this week and next, is a completely anonymous survey to capture the voice of pupils in Y9-11. Families received emails about this last week, but essentially, the survey includes questions about mental wellbeing, social media usage, sexual objectification and harassment. St Antony's has already partnered with Dignify over 2 years ago, and we will continue to use the overall findings to help to improve the provision here at school for students' health and wellbeing and our Relationships & Sex Education (RSE).
- Salford Foundation Careers Event for Y8 the re-arranged date from earlier this term is now Thursday 3rd April. All of Y8 will be involved in this over the morning in school.
- If you have not already done so, please take the time in the next week to help us evaluate the Personal Development (PD lessons and Careers provision) at St Antony's, using the link here: <u>https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=pPmQAl37lkC0vVmd_bqsn6XPXvJb-UpJrG0v_kuNyONUOEw1WEM1TFdCUIM0RFEzM0U0VDQwREJYRC4u</u>
- GCSE Art pupils in Y11: Art P6 is running every Friday 3.15pm until 4pm. In addition, support sessions over Easter for Y11 pupils will take place on Monday 7th April at 9.30 until 2.30pm.
- School production of Oliver: Rehearsals have begun for this year's school production of "Oliver!" if your child is in the cast, they are needed for rehearsals every Monday and Wednesday at 08:30am.
- PTA News: Easter Egg Donations Needed for Our PTA Hamper Raffle! Spring is just around the corner, and we're excited to spread some festive joy at our school! This year, our PTA is hosting a special Easter Hamper Raffle, and WE NEED YOUR HELP! We're looking for generous donations of Easter eggs to fill our hampers. Whether they're chocolate, crème, or surprise eggs (no boiled or scrambled please!), every little bit will help us create a delightful surprise for our lucky winners! Donation Deadline: 14th March please drop off at Mrs Rothwell's Office
- Attendance: Easter EGG-STRAVAGANZA, every day during form time from Monday, the children will receive a gift for being in school.
- Library We have recently completed our St Antony's Readathon and pupils have raised over £500 for Trafford charity, Little Green Sock Project. Next up we will be shadowing the Carnegie Books Awards with our very own St Antony's reading group. We will read the shortlisted books and vote for our winner along with schools around the country. Please send anyone interested in participating to the library.
- This Lent, we're supporting two important charity initiatives:
 - St Joseph's Penny Appeal each pupil should now have received a collection box and are encouraged to donate any spare change. Extra boxes are available to take home. The top fundraising form in each year will win a prize, a certificate, and special recognition! Service achievement points will also be awarded.
 - Cornerstone Easter Egg Collection we're collecting Easter eggs to support Cornerstone. Pupils will earn 2 achievement points per donation. Donations can be brought to form.

Worries or concerns: If you have any worries, concerns or issues you would like us to address, please get in touch via <u>stantonys.admin@trafford.gov.uk</u>. Often your child's form tutor or Head of Year is the best place to start.

Other important links

- Information about our curriculum offer is here: Curriculum Information St. Antony's Roman Catholic School
- Electronic access to the homework booklets can be found here: <u>Homework Shared on Website OneDrive</u>
- If you want to know more about how we are supporting pupils in relation to their personal development and possible future careers, please click on the following links:
 - o February 2025 St Antony's Stories (002).pdf
 - o St Antony's Roman Catholic School Edition 18 (002).pdf
- More information about the Emmaus Catholic Academy Trust and other schools in it can be found here: <u>Emmaus</u> <u>Catholic Academy Trust | Diocese of Salford</u>
- The latest version of the parish newsletter from St John Henry Newman is here: <u>https://st-antonys.com/2025/03/parish-newsletter-21/</u>
- For more information about the work of our local churches, please use the following links:
 - Fr Ged Murphy at St Ann's, Stretford and St Hugh of Lincoln, Urmston <u>St Antony of Padua RC Parish</u>, <u>Stretford - St Ann's & St Hugh of Lincoln | Stretford | Facebook</u>
 - o Fr Kieran Mullarkey at English Martyrs and St Monica's <u>Home St John Henry Newman Parish website</u>