St Antony's RC School: Fortnightly Bulletin for Parents and Carers – edition #9

Date: 14th July 2025

Important Dates & Upcoming Events

- Monday 14th – Thursday 17th July – School Production
- Tuesday 15th July – Y8 & Y9 Awards Ceremonies
- Wednesday 16th July – Y10 & Y7 Awards Ceremonies
- Friday 18th July – Sports Day
- Tuesday 22nd July - PTA Annual Fundraising Event – Krispy Kreme doughnut sale and 'Splosh the Boss'
- Tuesday 22nd July – Break up for summer – non-uniform day (with donation to charity) & early finish at 1.15pm

- 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 – Jessica N, Kody M, Anais E-M, Hollie E, Noah C
    - Y8 – Skylar J-M, Jacob G, Lucas W-B, Maddie V, Gabriel B
    - Y9 – Ella M, Aiden A, James D, Winsley L, Lily P
    - Y10 -Jasmine O, Jacob W-B, George E, Conor H, Harry N

General Notices

- Our current whole school attendance stands at 91.4%, which is an improvement compared to 90.8% at this point last academic year. Thank you for your continued efforts in supporting regular attendance. As we approach the end of term, please ensure that children are in school every day until we break up for the summer holidays. Good attendance is crucial for your child's learning, progress, and social development. Every day in school helps build knowledge, confidence, and a strong foundation for the next academic year. Let's keep up the momentum and finish the term on a high!
- **Arbor:** In advance of us moving to Arbor in September, parents may find it useful to download the App in advance. Log into the Parent Portal and the Parent App – Arbor Help Centre
- Friday was our Spanish exchange students' last day. We have enjoyed having them with us for the last 3 and a half weeks and hope they go back to Spain full of fond memories of their time at St. Antony's. A big thank you, also, to our host families who have looked after the students so well and made them feel welcome in their homes. I'm sure it has been a memorable experience
  And how fortunate we were to have such lovely weather whilst they were visiting. Buen viaje!



- **Year 9 Families -** Reminder that Y9 Work Experience consent and student information sheets should be completed. Please can Y9 parents ensure that they do this online or get a hard copy from school to complete and return before the summer break.
- Can all parents/carers please help to evaluate Careers provision this year by completing the 1-minute questionnaire here: https://forms.office.com/e/Qtuy0YZ1uS
- We're excited to launch our new interactive Careers Information page, designed for both students and parents to explore together. This one-stop digital noticeboard provides a wide range of useful resources to help students think about their future pathways, including:
  🎓 University and college advice
  🔧 Apprenticeship opportunities
  💼 Manchester employment insights
  📄 KS4 options support
  🎥 Inspiring videos and quizzes
  Whether you're just beginning to explore options or already planning ahead, this page is here to support informed decisions about education, training, and employment.
  Click the link to access the page and start exploring together! New content will be added regularly—so check back often! 👉
  https://padlet.com/rwilliams431/sta-careers-and-futures-20zxzridd3fbp0mh
- **PE Department Bulletin** – Summer Term Update
  It's been a fantastic and busy few weeks for the PE Department!
  Within the curriculum, pupils have been equally engaged, enjoying activities such as athletics, cricket, rounders, and outdoor adventurous activities. These lessons have been well-received, with high levels of participation and energy across all year groups.

We're also proud of the way pupils have approached their end-of-year assessments – with maturity, focus, and a real desire to do well. Results reflect the hard work they've put in throughout the year.
Our extra-curricular programme has been thriving, with excellent attendance across cricket, rounders, and athletics clubs – a real testament to the enthusiasm and commitment of our pupils.
Preparations are in full swing for our much-anticipated annual Sports Day. Excitement is building, and we look forward to celebrating another brilliant year of sport with the whole school community.

- Please can we remind you that we are a nut free school. Nuts are not permitted at all in school.
- **PTA:** Our PTA is collecting pre-loved school uniforms to help support other students and families in our community. If you have any item of uniform that are no longer needed, please consider donating them!
- **On Tuesday 22nd July the PTA** will be hosting their annual fundraising events. They will be selling the ever-popular Krispy Kreme doughnuts and making a splash with the 'Splosh the Boss' event – don't forget to bring in some cash to participate.
- **PTA Facebook Account** Please join/follow the PTA Facebook account for regular updates/news https://www.facebook.com/groups/
- **Easy Fundraising Website** If you are not already aware, there is an easy way to help raise funds for the PTA by signing up to the easy fundraising website, which can be found on the following link: https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/search/cause/?q=St.%20Antony%27s%20(Urmston)%20PTA&cat=cause

Other sources of information:

- If you have any worries, concerns or issues you would like us to address, please get in touch via stantonys.admin@trafford.gov.uk. Often your child's form tutor or Head of Year is the best place to start.
- Library Newsletter: https://st-antonys.com/2025/06/library-newsletter-summer-term/
- Information about our curriculum offer is here: Curriculum Information – Curriculum Information – St. Antony's Roman Catholic School
- Careers Newsletter: Careers Newsletter Edition 29 – St. Antony's Roman Catholic School
- If you wish to have electronic access to the homework booklets via our website, please click on this link: Homework - Shared on Website - OneDrive
- 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 - St Antony of Padua RC Parish, Stretford - St Ann's & St Hugh of Lincoln | Stretford | Facebook
    - Fr Kieran Mullarkey at English Martyrs and St Monica's Home - St John Henry Newman Parish website