



ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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"Let your words teach and your actions speak."

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to our weekly newsletter. We have had another wonderful final week in school as we reach the half-term break!

A huge well done to our **Minnie Vinnies** for leading such a lovely Harvest Liturgy and organising our Harvest Collection. You did a fantastic job of bringing our school community together to celebrate the spirit of gratitude, generosity and kindness.

A heartfelt thank you to all our families for your incredibly generous donations. These will be given to **Bradford Food Bank** to support local families in need. Your kindness and generosity truly make a difference and are a wonderful example of living out our Gospel values.

✝ This Sunday's Gospel Reading

Matthew 22:34-40

This Sunday, Jesus reminds us of the two greatest commandments: to love God with all our heart and to love our neighbour as ourselves.

Jesus teaches us that loving God means showing love, kindness and compassion to the people around us. We can live out His message every day through our words and actions, by helping others, including everyone and treating people with respect.

Our Gospel message this week is simple: Love God, love one another and let your actions show it!

This Gospel links beautifully with our school motto, "Let your words teach and your actions speak," and our commitment to living out the Gospel values each day.

Learning

I have visited each of the classes this week to see what the children have been learning:

Willow: In PSHE the children were thinking about what they would put in their calming area. They suggested music, pillows and teddy bears.

Oak: I enjoyed joining Oak class for their Celebration of the Word, all about *Growing in Wisdom*.

Cherry: The children sat beautifully through Celebration of the Word all about letting our light shine.

Elder: During Celebration of the Word the children thought carefully about how we can be good citizens of the earth.

Remember to follow us on Facebook (St Anthony's Catholic Primary School, Shipley) where you can see what the children are learning and what is happening in school each week.

Weekly Award Winners

A big congratulations to all our wonderful award winners! We are incredibly proud of you all. Keep believing in yourselves, shining brightly and making us proud with all that you do!

<u>Achievement</u>	<u>Virtue</u>	<u>Reading</u>
Willow: Brooke	Willow: Nathan	Willow: Lutanda
Oak: Archie	Oak: Zofia	Oak: Thomas
Cherry: Ronnie	Cherry: James	Cherry: Charlie T
Elder: Joanna	Elder: Joe	Elder: Nicole

Our Virtue for the rest
of this Half Term is Citizenship:



Dates for the Diary

Monday 2nd November: SCHOOL CLOSED FOR TRAINING DAY

Tuesday 3rd November: School Opens, start of term

Wednesday 4th November 3:30pm: PTFA Meeting (all welcome)

Friday 6th November: Oak Class Forest School Session (send Wellies and a change of clothes)

Tuesday 10th November: Elder Class Forest School Session (send Wellies and a change of clothes)

Friday 13th November: World Kindness Day

Friday 20th November: Non-Uniform Day (please bring chocolate donations into school)

Thursday 26th November: Oak Class Ledson Farm Trip

Friday 27th November: Non-Uniform Day (please donate bottles for the bottle stall)

Friday 4th December 1:30-3:00pm: Christmas Fair

Monday 14th December 3:30-5:00pm : Christmas Disco

Tuesday 15th December 6-7pm: Elder and Cherry Class Carol Service in school, all are welcome.

Wednesday 16th December 2:45-3:15pm: Willow and Oak Class Nativity performance.

Friday 18th December: Last Day of school

Monday 4th January: Return to school

A message from the PTFA

PTFA News

A big thank you to everyone who attended Thursday's Glow Disco, and to all the staff and volunteers who helped make it happen!

We'd also like to thank all the families who purchased our **PTFA Events Pass**. We really appreciate your support and look forward to all the activities ahead!

Having a half-term clear-out?

We're starting to prepare for our Christmas Fair and would love donations of clean, good-quality items, including Christmas clothing, winter coats and boots, toys, books, soft toys and unused or unwanted gifts and gift sets.

If you're having a clear-out over half term, please keep anything suitable aside for us! We'll confirm donation arrangements shortly.

Christmas Raffle Prizes

We're also looking for raffle prize donations! If you own or work for a business, or know someone who might be willing to donate a prize, we'd love to hear from you. Gift vouchers, hampers, products and experiences or even your own skills would all be greatly appreciated.

Next PTFA Meeting – Wednesday 4 November, 3:30pm

We'll be planning our Christmas Fair and would love to welcome some new faces. All parents and carers are welcome!

Thanks so much for your continued support!

St Anthony's Catholic Primary School PTFA

Together, making school life special.

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Finally

We would like to wish all our families a wonderful half-term break! We hope you enjoy a lovely week of rest, fun and precious time together.

Just a reminder that **school will be closed on Monday 2nd November for a staff training day**. We look forward to welcoming all the children back to school on **Tuesday 3rd November**, refreshed and ready for another exciting half term!

Have a lovely week off, take care of one another and God bless.

Mrs Clementis and the St. Anthony's Team

