



St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Primary School

Newsletter - Friday 28th February 2025

Mr Brooks' Top Three Proud Moments:

1. A big thank you to Mr Snape for his ongoing work to improve the outside areas of the school. Over half term, he has worked to jet wash the main entrance area and the Reception outdoor area; we feel that this is already making the school look a lot brighter.
2. It was my pleasure to teach Year 3 this week for their Ready Steady Read Together lessons. It was lovely for me to try out this new resource and see how amazing the children's reading skills are.
3. Our amazing cross country team, both the girls and boys team, currently sit in second place in the league. There is one final race next week, we wish the children the best of luck.

Golden Tie Winners



I am proud to share with you this week's Golden Tie Winners. These are the children who have been chosen for a 'Teacher Award' for impressing their class teacher and inspiring their friends. Well done children we are all extremely proud of you.

Class	Golden Tie Winner
Reception	Luca
Year 1	Dylan
Year 2	Lucas
Year 3	Karen
Year 4	Henry
Year 5	George
Year 6	Ciaran

The winner of this special award can wear their tie with pride for the week around school. They can go to the front of the dinner queue and even sit on a chair in assembly.

Parking

As you are aware, it is our duty to keep our children safe as they enter school. I have been contacted by a parent who has raised concerns about the way in which people are parking at the edge of Elmsley Road. People are parking across the corner and blocking the road. I would ask that parents drive with care and think about the safety of our children before parking. Please remember there are lots of parking spaces on the church car park.

End of the Day

We ask that all parents and children vacate the school grounds as soon as possible at the end of the day. This is to ensure the safety of the children in after school club and it also enables Mr Snape to continue work on improving the school grounds.

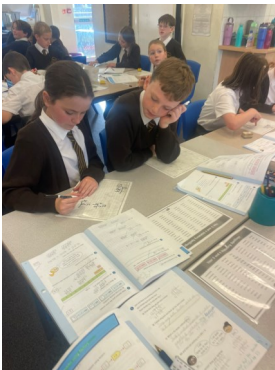
We would also ask that children do not play on the equipment or the astroturf at the end of the day. This is to ensure the safety of the children.

Attendance and Punctuality

Our whole school attendance target is **97%** each week. We will be monitoring the attendance of each class and the winning class each week will receive an additional 10 minutes breaktime on Monday afternoon.

Class	Attendance Percentage	Number of Lates
Reception	89%	8
Year 1	99%	2
Year 2	98%	6
Year 3	98%	6
Year 4	99%	2
Year 5	90%	2
Year 6	97%	8
Whole School	96%	34

Congratulations to Year 1 and Year 4 who are this week's attendance champions with 99% - well done children, we are very proud of you!



Notices

World Book Day

As a school, we will celebrate World Book Day on Friday 7th March. As usual, the children can come into school dressed as a character from one of their favourite books. Parents are invited to come and read with their child/ children in school, from 2.30pm-2.50pm. At 2.50pm, parents will be able to collect their child. Parents will be asked to wait on the playground so that the teacher can get the children ready, the children will then be dismissed.

Parents Evening

Parents' evening will take place on Wednesday 2nd April in the school hall. Appointments will take place between 1.20pm and 7pm. Letters will be sent out nearer to the time so that you can make appointments.

Presentation Pencil Awards

Each week we celebrate the child in each class who has made a huge effort or improvement with their presentation.

Below are the children who have impressed their teacher this week.

Class	Presentation Winner
Reception	Sonny
Year 1	Elsa
Year 2	Sam
Year 3	Niamh
Year 4	Claire
Year 5	Arad
Year 6	Benton

Have a lovely weekend, I look forward to seeing you all bright and early on Monday morning.

Mr M A Brooks - Headteacher

'Following Jesus, we love, learn and serve'