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Friday 22nd September 2023

Our Focus This Half Term Is to be Grateful & Generous

Just a few reminders of Rock Star Dress Up and the Harvest Appeal

As part of their weekly Maths homework, pupils will be completing activities using Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS) - a fantastic program that supports children in recalling multiplication facts. We want children to be enthusiastic about their learning and will be running regular battles and competitions to encourage pupils to use this fantastic resource. To get us started, on **Monday 2nd October** we will have a launch day in school and we would like all staff and children to **come to school dressed as ROCK STARS!!!!** Please do not feel that you need to go out and buy a costume for this: it's amazing what a funky hairstyle alongside clothes that children already own can do! We can't wait!



Celebrating the Harvest – Grateful and Generous

Nest week, we are inviting families to send in any donations for the harvest.

In addition to supporting St. Chad's Sanctuary, we are hoping that we will also be able to deliver donations to our local foodbank to show that we are striving to be 'Grateful and Generous' this half term. We have included lists of the items that are currently in high demand.

We completely understand that the cost of living is now at a high so please do not feel under any pressure to donate: perhaps you could spend some time as a family praying for those in need instead.



HELP BY DONATING AN ITEM OR TWO FROM OUR SHOPPING LIST TO ENSURE WE CAN PROVIDE FOOD TO PEOPLE IN CRISIS.

SHOPPING LIST TOP TEN ITEMS

Instant mash potato
Tinned vegetables
Breakfast cereal
Tinned tomatoes
Squash
Coffee
Tinned fish
Tinned rice pudding
Biscuits
Pasta/Rice

Don't forget...

You can help transform more lives with a financial donation too.



St Chad's Sanctuary Urgently Required

We are focusing on donations of men's clothing at this time. All sizes of casual clothing is welcomed, such as jeans, joggers, underwear, hoodies, jumpers, t-shirts, and pyjamas.

We are also in need of the following:

- ALL FOOD ITEMS - tinned, dried, non-meat containing
- ALL HYGIENE ITEMS - especially shaving foam/gel, deodorant
- Backpacks
- Suitcases
- Girls clothes, especially teenage sizes -
- Boys clothes, especially teenage sizes
- Men's clothing in all sizes - t-shirts, joggers, jeans, jumpers, hoodies and trainers

Thank you for your support!

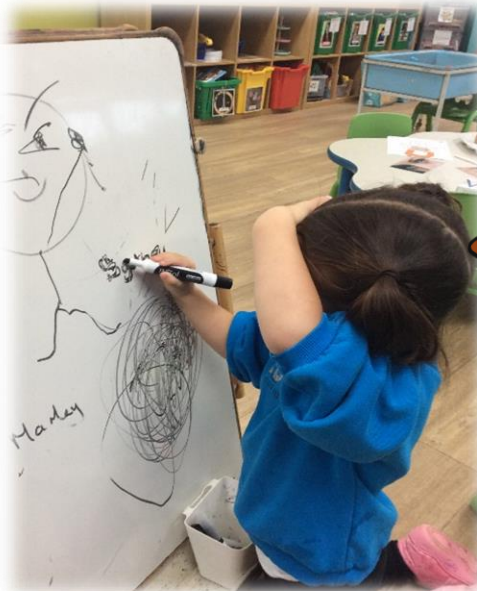
This week in **Tiny Ants** the children have been drawing around each other looking at height, feet and hand sizes.



The children took turns to complete the fish puzzle.



We worked together as a team to clean the muddy pushchairs.



We drew pictures of our families to share with friends.



Nursery have had a fantastic week this week! We have learnt *He's got the Whole World in his hands* and put actions to the song. We had a chat about God and how he created the world in seven days. If you would like to see the video head over to the St Anthony's Twitter page.



Nursery have had the chance to use the bikes too and are really good at balancing. We can't wait to welcome all the Nursery children back on Monday.



What a lovely week of learning we've had in **Reception** this week! We have been busy in phonics learning our new letters: m,a,s,d and practicing our formations of them in slime. On Thursday, we had our first Music lesson where we explored different sounds and body percussion. We all worked together really well to perform our body percussion.



We have also been experimenting by mixing colours using paint, water and foam to learn how to make a different colour. We all can't wait for another fun week of learning. 😊 Miss Carson, Miss Sullivan and Mrs Wedge.



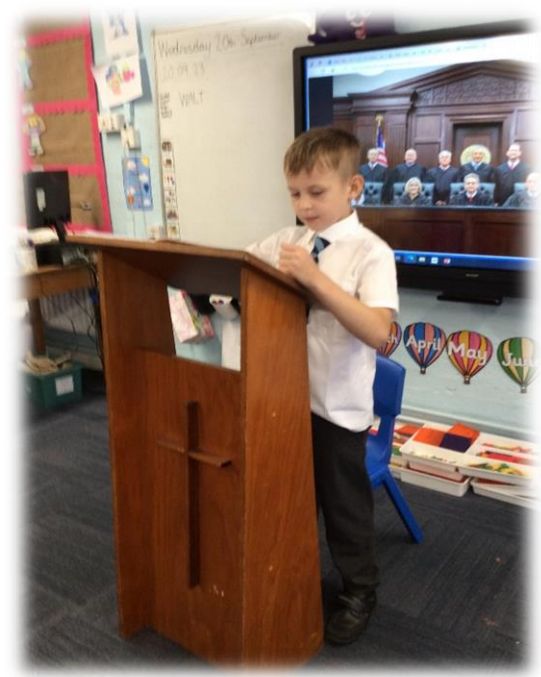
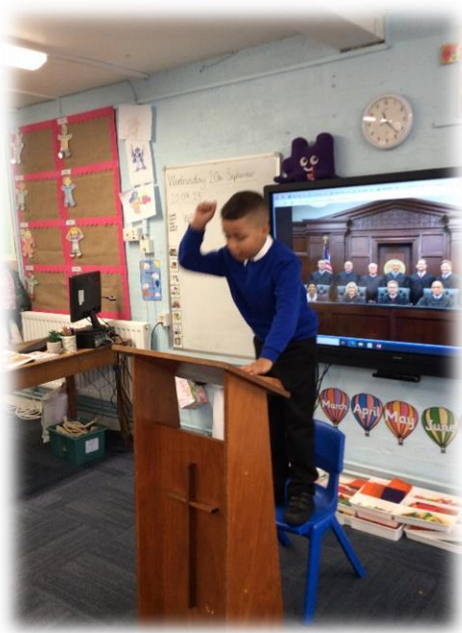
Another great week in year one. In maths, the children have been working ordering numbers, carrying out simple addition and investigating ways of making different numbers. We have thought hard about our number formation and writing them the correct way round.



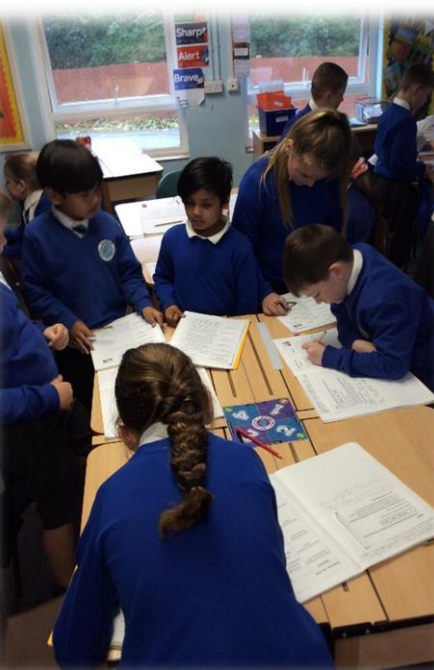
In science, we have been learning about our five senses. The children used their sense of taste to eat biscuits and crisps, writing down what they tasted like. They also listened to animal noises and had to guess what the animal was. We had great fun using our different senses.



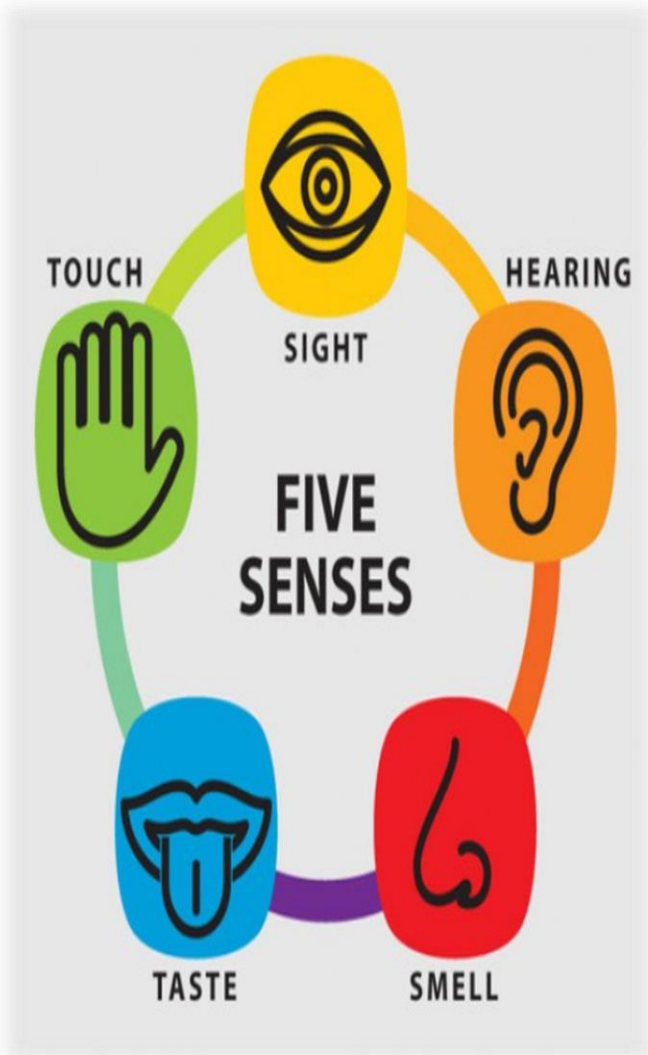
This week in **Year 3** we have continued with our fun ukulele lessons! We also had a court case where the children were debating whether Mr Wolf was innocent or guilty. Each child confidently stood up and pleaded their case with their fabulous powers of persuasion.



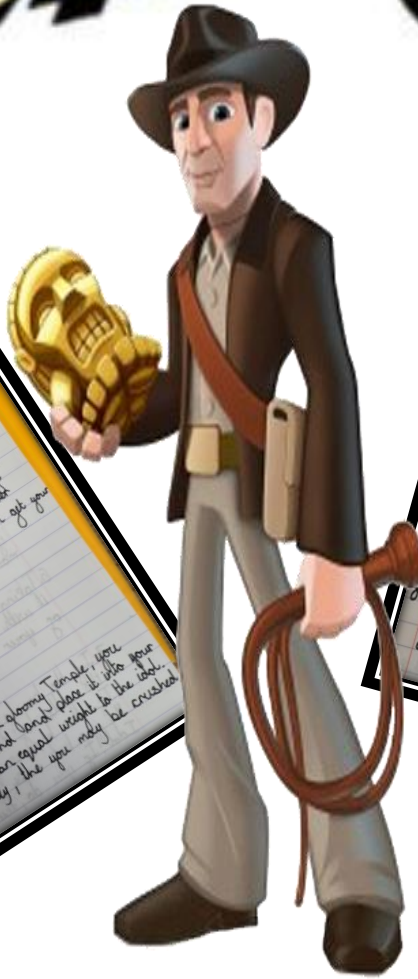
Year 4 have worked incredibly hard this week! In English, we used our persuasive writing skills to write some super sentences for our newspaper articles on Queen Elizabeth II. In science we began our new topic of digestion, exploring human and animal teeth! Year 4 were brilliant at working in their Kagan teams during our Global learning lesson, where we explored different food and facts from continents around the world.



This week in **Year 5**, we have been reading the 'The Purple Lady'. To support our extended writing, we used a carousel of senses; this is where we used our five senses to help us describe the various parts of the story. The children amazed their teachers by using powerful adjectives, similes, and metaphors.



INDIANA JONES™



Tuesday 19th September 2023
WALT produce a set of instructions for an adventurer.

1. Name: _____ Page/ Teacher: _____
 2. Date: _____
 3. Title: _____
 4. Aim: _____
 5. Objectives: _____
 6. Resources: _____
 7. _____
 8. _____
 9. _____
 10. _____

How to Retrieve the Glimmering Idol

Are you prepared for a once in a lifetime mission? Do you want to be known and remembered for your strength and determination? (Coming to be rich? Deeds down in an old, ancient, uncharted temple sets a lustre, dazzling, I do that is waiting for you to go it. Without the cave is small, there is a large amount of heavy traps. So, do you dare to challenge a mysterious, perilous Temple? Think you can get your hands on the Glimmering Idol?

Equipment:

- Cloth bag
- Whip
- Thick stick

1. Before you dare enter the dark gloomy Temple, you will need to grab enough sand from above it into a cloth bag so it is of an equal weight to the idol. If this is done incorrectly, the you may be crushed to your death.

Whip to brush away the sticky cobwebs, full of poisonous, dangerous spiders. Tap - tap through. Cautionally, brush off the spiders crawling on your shoulder.

3. Once you get past the curtain of cobwebs, this is where the danger begins... Carefully plan your next steps to get through the precious traps. Warning! Do not go into the light, spiky, jagged spears will pierce through your heart!

4. After passing the deadly traps, more challenges come ahead... Heading forward, use your whip to swing over the pit hollow, rocky pit to carry on your mission.

5. When you can see the silhouette of the precious idol, you know you must be near, whatever you do, do not stop on the corners or shapes. They will sink in the ground, and before you know it, pointy, sharp spears will come flying at you.

6. Now that you reached the priceless idol, carefully swap your rusty worthless sand bag with the precious, glimmering gold idol. Make sure you don't mess up!

7. If you make a wrong move, run for your life! The walls will close in on you! Use your agility and speed to escape this danger.

8. With your heart pounding, run swiftly to the exit so you don't get crushed! Clutch the idol in your hands so you don't drop it! Good luck with your mission!

How to retrieve the glimmering, dazzling idol.

Are you ready for an dangerous mission of a lifetime? Are you adventurous and ready to be known for your agility? Hidden in the heart of the gloomy, hazardous forest, lies a ruined, ancient, temple. The temple is the home of the glimmering, precious, lustrous idol. Danger! Scattered around the protecting the idol, are so precarious, perilous dangers. The idol glim gleams with crystal, priceless diamonds. Are you up for this mission?

Equipment:

- A small stick - rack
- A whip
- A lit torch

Instructions!

1. As you enter the Temple of Doom, locate a pile of sand and fill it up until it is equal weight to the golden, lustrous idol.

2. Once you got the sand, search for a torch to set alit alight, this will lead you through your journey. Once you have set it alight, you will notice a curtain of cobwebs, carefully use your



2. As you enter the temple, you will need to light your thick stick so you can see in the pitch darkness. Do not walk into them! There will be curtains of the cobwebs. There will be spiders on your back. The reason to remove them is to brush them off with your whip.

3. If you witness some light coming from inside, do NOT walk into it! It is a booby trap that can jump scare you and make you point! Correct! Watch where your going, and you can see a short spear but you.

4. After walking, you will see a big gap. To get past this gap, you will need to tie your whip to a vine above and swing across on your whip. Some explorers have fallen into the unknown! Others have not even dared to try.

5. With the Idol fully in sight, you will need to make sure you are in a safe spot where you are going there will be shapes in the ground, if you step onto them they will sink and shoot more spears at you. WATCH OUT!

6. Taking great care take the priceless Idol and switch it with the sand that you collected at the start of your journey. Make sure you do this quickly.

7. If the bag of sand is not equal to the Idol, the walls of the Temple will start to shake. If this happens you will need to swing across the gap but make sure you do not drop the Idol! If you do, then you did this for nothing.



Year 6 have completed their first piece of Extended Writing this week. They were writing instructions for an Indiana Jones adventurer to steal the Idol from the Temple of Doom. Take a look at some of our fabulous examples...

UNIFORM

Girls' Uniform - Summer

- Grey/Black skirt with either white blouse with tie/white or blue school polo shirt; OR
- Royal blue gingham dress
- Black school shoes (no heels, no sandals)
- Royal blue school cardigan.

Boys' Uniform - Summer

- Grey/black trousers/school shorts with either white short sleeved shirt with tie/ white or blue school polo shirt
- Black school shoes - **trainers including black trainers are not permitted however children can change into trainers at lunch time.**

Girls' Uniform - Winter

- Grey/Black skirt with white blouse & tie
- Royal blue school cardigan or sweatshirt
- white socks /white, cream or black tights
- Black school shoes
- Girls can choose if they wish to wear black/grey school trousers (not fashion trousers). Leggings are not permitted.

Boys' Uniform - Winter

- Grey/black trousers, white shirt (with tie)
- School royal blue V-necked sweatshirt
- Black school shoes - **trainers including black trainers are not permitted however children can change into trainers at lunch time.**

School caps are recommended during the hot weather

Other Uniform Information

- Dangling earrings, rings or necklaces are not allowed to be worn as they present a health and safety risk.
- Stud earrings and a wrist watch are the only jewellery items which may be worn, except when taking part in P.E. lessons.
- **Long hair must be tied up on all occasions with discrete bobbles and ribbons.**
- Nail varnish, transferable tattoos and makeup are not permitted.
- Excessive haircuts are not permitted i.e. tram lines, designs shaved in to his/her hair / coloured hair etc.

P.E. Kits

As part of the guidelines for reopening we will be asking children to wear their PE kit to school on their PE days. This will enable more regular washing. Children can wear their school jumper with their PE kit.

- White tee-shirt with school logo
- Black shorts
- Suitable footwear, trainers for outdoors
- Tracksuit for outdoor use in inclement weather
- Swimming kit as and when necessary

Children not taking part due to injury must still put on their P.E. kit to observe the lesson .

All jewellery must be removed before P.E. lessons. If your child has pierced ears, please remove earrings prior to the start of the school day.

We just wanted to remind you of a few things for the start of the new term.....



Jewellery

Stud earrings and a wrist watch are the only jewellery items that are permitted to be worn. Smart watches are not permitted.

Earrings **MUST** be removed for PE, they cannot be covered by plasters. If your child cannot remove their own earrings, they will need to be removed before they come to school.

School Day

Doors open at 8.45am and close at 9am prompt.

Children who arrive after this time will need to be signed in via the school office.

Collection is at 3.15pm

Is My Child Too Ill for School?

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school when they're unwell. Please click the following link for guidance [Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk/health-conditions/child-illness/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/)

If your child has sickness or diarrhea, they must stay off school for 48 hours from the most recent episode.

Absence due to Sickness

Absence must be reported on the first day that your child is absent. You can do this by calling the school office and selecting option 1, you can speak to a member of the office staff or send an email to office@st-Anthonys.solihull.sch.uk.

Change of Details

If any of your contact details change for you or your emergency contacts, please let the school office know so that we can update our system.

Dogs

Dogs are not allowed onto school premises even if they are being held. Thank you for your continued support with this..

Medication

If your child needs to have medication in school, you will need to complete a Consent to Administer Medicine form. If your child needs an inhaler, they will need one for school and one for home, forms will also need to be completed.

St. Antonys Catholic Primary School & Nursery

Macmillan Cancer Support Fundraiser Cake Sale
will be held on:

Friday 29th September from 2.15pm until 3.15pm

Please join us in the school hall, everyone is welcome!

Any remaining cakes will be available for a donation after school.

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EMPOWERING
PARENTS
EMPOWERING
COMMUNITIES

The Being a Parent parenting group will be taking place at Evergreen in Kingshurst (formerly Capitol House) during the autumn school term 2023

"It helped me to understand that there are more parents dealing with the same problems"

"The skills that they have taught will make life easier for me & my family"

The group will be led by trained volunteer Parent Group Leaders, and aims to help you understand your child better, manage challenging behaviour, improve communication and build a supportive relationship.

Starting with a welcome session, the group will then take place weekly for 8 weeks, giving parents the opportunity to support one another and share knowledge & experiences with the help of tried and tested resources from the 'Empowering Parents, Empowering Communities' programme.

The group will run on: Tuesday morning
9.30am – 11.30am
26/9/23 – 28/11/23
(excluding half term: 31/10/23)

To book your place, or for more information, please contact the parenting team via email to bsmhft.parenting@nhs.net

"Re-assuring to know other parents have worries & concerns and it's not just me"

Click on the link to find out what parents think of the groups:
[Being a Parent summary](#)

"I thought I might be judged, how wrong I was - it was relaxed, open and non-judgemental"



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AUTUMN TERM 2023

Open to all Solihull parents and carers



BEING A PARENT GROUPS

Led by trained parent volunteers, the groups provide you with the tools to help manage challenging behaviour, improve communication, and build a positive relationship with your child.

The Being a Parent groups will be delivered both face-to-face and virtually, starting with a welcome session & then running weekly for a further 8 sessions:

Tuesday	Evergreen, Kingshurst (B37 6DX)	9.30am – 11.30am	26/9/23 – 28/11/23
Tuesday	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	6pm – 7.30pm	26/9/23 – 28/11/23
Wednesday	Windy Arbor School (B37 6RN)	9.15am – 11.15am	27/9/23 – 29/11/23
Wednesday	Dickens Heath School (B90 1NA)	9.30am – 11.30am	27/9/23 – 29/11/23
Thursday	Marston Green Infants (B37 7AA)	9.30am – 11.30am	28/9/23 – 30/11/23
Thursday	Fitness First, Hobs Moat (B92 8DS)	9.30am – 11.30am	28/9/23 – 30/11/23
Thursday	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	6pm – 7.30pm	28/9/23 – 30/11/23
Friday	Meriden Adventure Playground (B37 5TB)	10am – 12pm	29/9/23 – 1/12/23

UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD

Led by Solihull professionals, the group aims to help you to manage challenging behaviour and improve communication, as well as building and understanding your relationship with your child. The group target age is 4-11 years, delivered face-to-face for 10 sessions:

Monday 9.30am – 11.30am
Widney Junior School (B91 3LQ)
18/9/23 – 27/11/23

Thursday 9.30am – 11.30am
Solihull College
Blossomfield Campus (B91 15B)
21/9/23 – 30/11/23



FIVE TO THRIVE

For parents with children aged up to 2 years, the FIVE TO THRIVE building blocks explore practical things you can do to enhance your child's brain development, increase confidence in parenting and meet local parents.

TUESDAY
10am – 12pm OR 12.30pm-2.30pm
The Bridge, Shirley
(B90 3AG)
19/9/23 – 24/10/23
7/11/23 – 12/12/23

THURSDAY 10am – 12pm
Three Trees Community
Centre (B37 7TP)
21/9/23 – 26/10/23
9/11/23 – 14/12/23

Book your place now, or find out more by contacting Solihull Parenting Team at:
bsmhft.parenting@nhs.net
or book via the Eventbrite QR code below:



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BOROUGH COUNCIL

WEEK THREE

Primary School Menu

Dates: 1st May, 22nd May, 19th June, 10th July, 4th Sept, 25th Sept, 16th October

Monday

Chicken Meatballs in
Tomato Sauce
Pasta
Corn Cobs & Salad

Energy (kcal)	Fat	Saturated Fat	Sugar	Salt
445	15g	10g	1.2g	0.7g
8%	30%	20%	2%	14%

Vegetable Nugget
Wrap
Sweet Potato Fries
Corn Cobs & Salad

Energy (kcal)	Fat	Saturated Fat	Sugar	Salt
330	10g	6g	0.1g	0.7
6%	20%	12%	0%	14%

Home Bake –
Vanilla Cookie

Fresh Fruit Platter
Yogurts

Tuesday

Chicken Curry
Rice
Green Beans

Energy (kcal)	Fat	Saturated Fat	Sugar	Salt
390	12g	4.4	0.1	0.4
7%	24%	8%	0%	8%

Filled Panini
Potato Wedges
Coleslaw

Energy (kcal)	Fat	Saturated Fat	Sugar	Salt
370	11g	7.4	1.4	0.6
6%	22%	14%	3%	12%

Jelly & Ice Cream

Fresh Fruit Platter
Yogurts

Wednesday

Roast Chicken
Roast Potatoes
Cabbage
Carrots

Energy (kcal)	Fat	Saturated Fat	Sugar	Salt
330	17	1.2	0.2	0.4
6%	34%	2%	0%	8%

Cheese Whirl
Baked Beans

Energy (kcal)	Fat	Saturated Fat	Sugar	Salt
360	13	6.2	0.2	0.8
6%	26%	12%	0%	16%

Home Bake - Apple
Eve Pudding &
Custard

Fresh Fruit Platter
Yogurts

Thursday

Meat & Potato Pie
Broccoli
Sweetcorn

Energy (kcal)	Fat	Saturated Fat	Sugar	Salt
410	14g	10g	1.2g	0.7g
7%	28%	20%	2%	14%

Macaroni Cheese
Broccoli
Sweetcorn

Energy (kcal)	Fat	Saturated Fat	Sugar	Salt
360	13	7.2	0.2	0.4
6%	26%	14%	0%	8%

Chocolate Mousse

Fresh Fruit Platter
Yogurts

Friday

Fish Fingers
Chips
Peas

Energy (kcal)	Fat	Saturated Fat	Sugar	Salt
380	12	0.7	0.2	0.7
6%	24%	1%	0%	14%

Cheese & Tomato
Pizza
Chips & Peas

Energy (kcal)	Fat	Saturated Fat	Sugar	Salt
360	13	2.2	0.2	0.4
6%	26%	4%	0%	8%

Rocket Lolly

Fresh Fruit Platter
Yogurts

Jacket Potato with Filling
Available Mon-Thurs

Home Baked Bread
Seasonal Salads



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On a PE day (this information can be found on the school Newsletter which is emailed out every Friday) children must come to school wearing their PE kits. PE uniform is a white t-shirt (this can be plain or it can have the school logo on), plain black shorts/joggers/leggings, a blue St Anthony's hoody or a blue school jumper/cardigan and black trainers.

Earrings - must be removed for PE. We would prefer that your child did not wear earrings on a PE day as even if they can remove them, they can easily be lost. If your child cannot remove their earring by themselves, they should definitely not be worn on a PE days as staff are unfortunately unable to assist with this. Earrings cannot be covered by plasters. The only exception to this is if the ears are newly pierced and we will allow plasters for the duration of 6 weeks and earrings should be covered before school (this includes both the front and the back of the earring).

Only small stud earrings are allowed. Dangly, hooped or oversized earrings are not permitted.

Thank you for your continued support and for your cooperation with this matter.

Please read carefully as the PE days change from week to week at the moment.

Reception – Thursday

Y1 – Monday & Tuesday

Y2 – Wednesday & Friday

Y3 – Tuesday & Friday

Y4 – Wednesday & Thursday

Y5 – Monday & Wednesday

Y6 – Swimming Tuesday & PE Thursday

PE days



Please remember that they need to come into school in their PE kits on these days, and they should be plain white t shirts (or those with the school badge on) and black shorts/tracksuit bottoms/leggings.

Mr K Scanlon, Head of School





Diary Dates



These dates will updated each week and newly added events / any changes will be highlighted in yellow.

Date and Time	Year Group	Event
Mon 25 th – Fri 29 th Sept	Whole school	Any harvest donations to be brought into school
Tues 26 th Sept 9am – 9:30am	Reception parents	Phonics workshop in the school hall
Thurs 28 th Sept 3:15pm – 4:15pm	Y6 pupils	Booster sessions begin after school. All pupils to attend
Fri 29 th Sept 1:30pm – 3:15pm	All parents	Macmillan Coffee afternoon in the hall
Mon 2 nd Oct	Whole school	Pupils to dress up as a rock star!
Weds 4 th Oct	Y6 parents	SATs workshop in the school hall
Thurs 5 th Oct	R – Y6	Flu immunisations
Tues 10 th Oct	Whole School	Wear yellow for Children's Mental Health Day
Mon 16 th – Fri 20 th	Whole School	Book Fair open after school
Mon 16 th Oct 2:30pm – 2:45pm	Tiny Ants parents	Stories and Rhyme time
Tues 17 th Oct 11:30am – 11:50am	Nursery am parents	Stories and Rhyme time
Tues 17 th Oct 2:30pm – 2:50pm	Nursery pm parents	Stories and Rhyme time
Weds 18 th Oct 2:30pm – 3:00pm	Reception parents	Stories and Rhyme time
Weds 25 th Oct	R – Y6	Whole school Mass in church – Year 5 leading
Tues 24 th and Weds 25 th Oct	N – Y6	Parents Evening
Mon 29 th Oct – Fri 3 rd Nov HALF TERM		
Weds 15 th Nov 9:30am	R – Y6	Whole school Mass in church – Year 4 leading
Weds 29 th Nov	R and Y6	Height and weight check
Mon 18 th Dec	R – Y6	Whole school Mass in church
Friday 22 nd Dec	Whole school	Term ends