

### St Anthony's Catholic Primary Academy

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Dear parents and carers,

We are looking forward to welcoming you back to St Anthony's and hope that you have had an enjoyable and restful summer. We have a number of new families joining us, mostly in Nursery and Reception but also a couple in KS2. Please extend your welcome to them as part of the St Anthony's community.



Please let us know of any change of details such as telephone numbers, address, new child-care arrangements and medical needs. If you are choosing for your child to travel independently to and from school (this is not recommended before Year 5) then please **confirm this in writing/email as your child will not be able to do so without written permission.** 

#### Arrival to school/collection

Arrangements remain unchanged for the arrival and dismissal of pupils. Please be patient at dismissal – this always takes longer in September as the teachers are getting to know new faces.

Please ensure that before school, the children remain under your supervision whilst on the car park and the grass area. Due to the number of cars arriving and departing, to guarantee everyone's safety, the area should not be used as a play ground or for ball games. We suggest that you ask your children to remain close to you until the gates are opened by our staff and the children are safely welcomed into school.



















Should you arrive later than 9am in the morning, you must come via the front office. Children MUST NOT be allowed to gain access without an adult. Please remain with them until they are safely inside the building.

#### Uniform

Thank you to those who have made donations to provide pre-loved uniform. We accept donations all year – please bring them to the gate if you have any good quality items that your child has grown out of.

We are very proud of our uniform standards – last year, PE/games uniforms were also of an excellent standard – thank you for your support. Please also ensure that you are adhering to the wider expectations within the uniform policy of appropriate hair styles, jewellery, makeup/nail varnish etc (see full policy). Pupils not adhering to expectations will be spoken to along with parents. Please ask if you require support with uniform – coats, shoes, PE kit, etc. and we will support you.

# St Gabriel the Archangel MAT

We are now officially part of the Multi-Academy Trust St Gabriel the Archangel (no longer St Francis and St Clare MAC). You will notice changes to branding and policies over time. At present, we are operating as previously although we have a wealth of leadership and support above us who are mostly new to us and we are new to them. We will keep you updated of any relevant information that you need as we progress through the term.

The most important thing to note at present is that we are part of a much bigger family of schools and this will be celebrated by a whole MAT Mass on September 29<sup>th</sup>.

Due to the size of the organisation, we have been grouped regionally and we are part of the Wolverhampton and the Black Country region, with **Helen Parkes** as our Catholic Senior Executive Leader. Toni Ellis, who was previously our Catholic Senior Executive Leader is now the CEO of the company and we have great faith in her leadership and look forward to the new opportunities that it will bring for the St Anthony's community.

#### Dates yet to be arranged:

We will be offering a number of **coffee mornings for parents of pupils with special educational needs**. If you are interested in supporting the running of these sessions, please approach Mrs Davis. They will typically be held on a Tuesday morning. With a growing number of children who have SEND needs, these provide a great network of support.





**Y2 Kingswood residential** – this annual visit usually takes place in the Spring term and involves one stay overnight at Kingswood for the approximate cost of £85. As soon as we have a date confirmed with the centre, we will provide you with more information.

We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday. Enjoy the end of the holiday with your children.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs T Davis (Principal)

# **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**



Please note, Confirmation for Y6 Catholic pupils has moved much earlier this year in response to parental feedback last year. This will take place in the Spring Term.

Please note, the school calendar can also be viewed via our website (the updates will be added in September): <a href="https://www.stanthonyscpa.co.uk/parents/calendar/">https://www.stanthonyscpa.co.uk/parents/calendar/</a>

Monday 1st September	INSET Day – school closed to pupils
Tuesday 2nd September	Pupils return today
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Class newsletters sent home with relevant dates and
	curriculum information
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Whole School Mass 9:30am – all welcome (Nursery pupils will
	not yet attend this Mass)
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> September	CAFOD to visit KS2 assembly to show them how our
	fundraising has made a difference
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> September	NSPCC Online assemblies 'Speak Out Stay Safe' – letter will
	be sent in advance YR-Y6
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> September	St Stephen's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at
	2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> September	St Gabriel the Archangel launch Mass – all pupils from the 63
	schools will be part of this via an online Mass and some pupils
	will be asked to represent the school in person.
Wednesday 1st October	BLACK HISTORY MONTH – learning during Soda time and
	PSHE curriculum focus
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	St Cecilia's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35
	for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.





Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents' meeting for Y6 preparing for Confirmation 3:15-
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> October	3:45pm  Open Classroom inc. Forest school visit YR – (wear
Thursday Oth October	appropriate footwear) 2:20pm  Open Classroom LKS2 Y3-4 9-9:30am
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> October Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	'
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	Y1 visit to Black Country Museum – letter to follow
,	St Maximilian's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	Open Classroom KS1 2:30pm
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Open Classroom Nursery 8:50am (Parents will be invited in once pupils have come through the gates)
	Open Classroom Nursery 2:15pm (Parents will be invited in once pupils have come through the gates)
	Parents - Please sign up to say which session you will be attending: <a href="https://forms.gle/BKJQjNYEYsJDTpdaA">https://forms.gle/BKJQjNYEYsJDTpdaA</a>
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Open Classroom UKS2 9-9:30am
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	St Mary Magdalene's Class assembly – parents welcome –
,	enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Monday 20th October	Class photographs today
Tuesday 21st October	YR to Y6 flu vaccines (consent letter/email will be sent prior to this)
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Parents' Evening On-site 3:40-6:30pm
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	9:15am Harvest Festival (Pupils Only) – please send donations
	of cans, bottles and dried food which will be donated to The Brothers of The Good Shepherd
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Parents' Evening On-site 4-7pm
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	SCHOOL CLOSED - INSET DAY
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	SCHOOL CLOSED – HALF TERM
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	Reception Parents – phonic workshop 9-10am
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	2:30pm Service of Light Y6 pupils preparing for Confirmation –
SERVICE	parents to attend
LIGHT	(Baptism candles needed – more information will be provided)
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	St Bernadette's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Odd Socks Day (Start of Anti-bullying week – theme 'Power for Good'). Pupils to wear odd socks with their school uniform to celebrate being different.
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	St Patrick's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	St John Bosco's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.





Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	St Martin's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Vaccine catch-up session YR – Y6
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	9:30am Mass for the start of Advent
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> to Friday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 ARTHOG Adventurous Activity Residential
December	107111100 Navolitarodo Notivity Nosidolitar
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	St Veronica's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at
l liday o Booomboi	2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Morning Nursery and Reception - St Francis Nativity
vvouliesuay 10 December	performance and family craft session 9:15-10:30am.
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Afternoon and 30-hour Nursery and Reception - St Joseph
Troditoday to December	Nativity performance and family craft session 1:45-3pm
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper day (non-uniform)
	Reverse Advent Calendar Day – we will be asking for donations to support Fr Hudson's Homes – more information closer to the time
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Y1 Mini Christmas Performance at the end of celebration
	assembly – Y1 parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt
	Start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception/KS1 Christmas disco party 2pm; KS2 disco party 3:15 – 4:30pm. <u>All</u> children to come to school in their party clothes
	(Nursery will share their own date for their Christmas party)
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Carol Service Years 2-6 only - 2pm in church (parents welcome)
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Mass 9:30am – parents welcome
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Break up for Christmas – early finish 2:15pm; (Nursery 2:30pm)
Monday 22/12 - Friday 2/1	SCHOOL CLOSED – CHRISTMAS BREAK
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	Back to school
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	Epiphany Mass 10am followed by classroom blessings
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> January	Class newsletters sent home with relevant dates and curriculum information
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> January	Parents' meeting for Y3 preparing for First Holy Communion 3:15-3:45pm
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> January	St Francis's class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January	St Joseph's class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> January	St Stephen's class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	St Cecilia's class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.







Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents' Evening 3:40-6:30pm
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents' Evening 4-7pm
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	SCHOOL CLOSED – INSET DAY
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	SCHOOL CLOSED - HALF TERM
February	(Ash Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> February when children are not in
Coldary	school)
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	9:30am Lent Mass – parents welcome
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	6pm Y6 Sacrament of Confirmation
Confirmation	
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day – children to dress as book characters (please ask if support is needed as we have a number of costumes available).
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	St Maximilian's class assembly – parents welcome – enter at
	2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Reception Parents – Phonic Workshop 9-10am
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	St Mary Magdalene's Class assembly – parents welcome –
	enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	St Bernadette's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at
	2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Thursday 26th March	Y3 Sacrament of Reconciliation 1:30-3pm in church – parents welcome.  This is mostly a silent service – parents do not need to be present but are of course welcome.
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Whole school Mass 9:30am – parents welcome
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Break up for Easter – early finish 2:15pm; (Nursery 2:30pm)
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Monday 30/3-Friday 10/4	SCHOOL CLOSED – EASTER HOLIDAY
Manday 12th April	Holy Week occurs during the school holiday again this year
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	Back to school
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	9:30am Easter Mass – parents welcome
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	Open Classroom Nursery 12:45pm (Parents will be invited in once pupils have come through the gates and settled in)
Tuesday 21st April	Open Classroom Reception 2:20pm
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Open Classroom Nursery 8:50am (Parents will be invited in once pupils have come through the gates and settled in)
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	St Patrick's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at
	2:35pm for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> April	Open Classroom KS1 2:30pm
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> April	Open Classroom UKS2 9-9:30am
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Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> April	Open Classroom LKS2 9-9:30am
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	St John Bosco's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at
, ,	2:35pm for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	BANK HOLIDAY – School closed
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Culture Day - non-uniform day to celebrate diversity of the
	community. This will underpin learning and experiences
	provided during the day.
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	St Martin's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at
	2:35pm for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	Y3 First Holy Communion service – 10am
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Monday 11/5 - Thursday 14/5	Y6 SATS Test week
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	St Veronica's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at
	2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Thursday 21st May	Crowning Mary Celebration in church 2:15pm – children are
	asked to bring in fresh flowers. Parents welcome.
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	INSET DAY – School closed
Monday 25/5-Friday 29/5	SCHOOL CLOSED – HALF TERM
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Y4 multiplication check fortnight
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Y1 phonic screening assessment week (+ Y2 resits)
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	St Anthony's Feast Day – Mass 9:30am
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	St Francis's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35
	for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	St Joseph's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35
Manaday Cond Lyra	for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Sports Day: YN 8:45; YR 9:45; KS1 11; KS2 1:30pm
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Reserve sports day
Monday 29/6-Friday 3/7	Y6 transition (most secondary schools hold their transition events this week)
	Y6 pupils who are onsite to attend in games kit Monday-
	Thursday – sessions with Soccer 2000
	Reception to Y5 pupils visit their new classes for September
Friday 3rd July	Class talent shows (all ages). Children (who would like to) are
Thady ord odly	to prepare a short act to share a talent to their class. Costume
	and props can be brought in along with music clips. Etc.
	Please ask if you are not sure. Class to vote 2 acts per class to
	go to the final next week.
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Theatre Club production 6:45pm
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	End of year reports to parents
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Whole school talent show 1:30pm – sadly we cannot invite
·	parents as we do not have the space.
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	1:30pm Garden Party for the Parishioners – served by Y6
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 leavers disco 5:45pm followed by parents' bistro at 7:15pm.
	2 parents can attend – this is a chance to watch an





	assembly/performance of your Y6 children and a chance to take photos. Snacks/drinks provided.
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	9:30am Leavers' Mass – parents welcome
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Break up for Summer– early finish 2:15pm; (Nursery 2:30pm)
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	SCHOOL CLOSED – INSET DAY
Tuesday 21st July	SCHOOL CLOSED – SUMMER HOLIDAY

### School Term dates:

# INSET DAYS (School closed to pupils):

- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025
- Friday 24th October 2025
- Friday 13th February 2026
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026
- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026

Bank Holiday: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2026

# Early finish (2:15pm or 2:30pm for Nursery) -

- Friday 19th December '25
- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February '26
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July '26





# 2025 - 2026

# Autumn Term 2025

- Term Time: Monday 1 September 2025 to Friday 24 October 2025
- Half term: Monday 27 October 2025 to Friday 31 October 2025
- Term Time: Monday 3 November 2025 to Friday 19 December 2025

# Spring Term 2026

- Term Time: Monday 5 January 2026 to Friday 13 February 2026
- Half term: Monday 16 February 2026 to Friday 20 February 2026
- Term Time: Monday 23 February 2026 to Friday 27 March 2026

### Summer Term 2026

- Term Time: Monday 13 April 2026 to Friday 22 May 2026
- Half term: Monday 25 May 2026 to Friday 29 May 2026
- Term Time: Monday 1 June 2026 to Monday 20 July 2026





