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St Anthony's Catholic Primary School
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NEW Website address:- www.stanthonyscatholic.co.uk

GAIR YR WYTHNOS/PHRASE OF THE WEEK:
Gwyliau Hapus! Happy Holidays!



Dear parents - A busy last week of term. Tonight is the school disco, please see details below:



SCHOOL DISCO - Is today Wednesday 19th July, for Nursery - Yr 2: at 4-5pm. Years 3-6: 5-6pm. Tickets are £2 to include a hot dog and a drink. The Friends of St Anthony's will be running a tuck shop selling sweets, bubbles etc during the disco. Please send your child with some spending money if you wish. All tickets have now gone so if you are paying on the door you may not be guaranteed a hotdog.



<u>WEBSITE</u> - Please can I respectfully remind everyone that Newsletters are posted on the school website on a weekly basis. The address is: - www.stanthonyscatholic.co.uk. Also next term we aim to send newsletters direct to e-mail addresses and hopefully direct to a smart phone. On that note please ensure that all phone numbers are up to date with the school office. The purpose of going paperless is to help the environment through saving paper, saving costs and unnecessary secretarial time photocopying and stapling up to 600 pieces of paper a week. Newsletters are also posted on the school notice board every week and a copy can be found at reception.

<u>BIG THINKING DAY</u> - Today we had 'BIG Thinking Day', when children improve their skills in different areas moving around the classes. Mrs Torgersen's class looked at the environment, Mrs Gibbon's class were improving their communication skills, Mrs McNamee's class were improving their Maths skills, Mr Davies' class were improving their Welsh skills and Mrs Drew's class were improving their I.C.T skills.

SCHOOL UNIFORM - School uniform for next year has not changed. Forrester's are the official suppliers. The logo or badge does look nice but it is not essential. I appreciate the difference in cost can be a lot more. My only insistence is that the children are in correct uniform, black shoes or red sandals to be worn in school and not multi coloured trainers!!! Unfortunately Forrester Sports are experiencing some issues with the website due to the amalgamation with another company and the prices are not correct on the website, this will be changed in due course. Please refer to the prospectus on the website for more details.

FLINTSHIRE MUSIC SERVICE - Please could parents pay for their tuition before the end of term, thank you.

SWIMMING/CLASS 4 - Please accept my apologies for last Thursday as the bus company failed to turn up to take the children swimming. The session has been re-arranged for tomorrow which will be the last session.
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Attendance scores from last week



From 10/07/17 to 14/07/17 are;

Class 1: 89.6%

Class 2: 96.3%

Class 3: 95.5 %

Class 4: 89.2%

Class 5: 99.6%

Class 6: 92.9%

Our target is 95%

100% ATTENDANCE - Children who achieved 100% or 99% attendance received a certificate and a prize. Well done to all the other children who have very good attendance but didn't quite make 100% or 99% due to illness or other valid reasons for missing school. This does not necessarily include holidays taken during term time because research suggests that absence does affect children's performance in school.

<u>LEAVERS MASS</u> - On Tuesday the Leavers Mass took place for our Year 6 children. A special day tinged with sadness as we wish our leavers all the best on their journey to their respective secondary schools. They have been a credit to you as parents and grandparents and to our whole school community.

WELL DONE - To Megan Rees who won the St Anthony's shield for Academic Achievement.

NO SMOKING - Please may I respectively remind parents to not smoke or vape on the school grounds.

BAGS TO SCHOOL We will be sending out more Bags to School bags in September. If you are having a sort out over the summer holidays, please keep them aside and send them in during the third week back.

<u>SNACK MONEY</u> - Please keep snack money up to date, we are very short each week. <u>Please do not pass</u> loose money to teachers at the gate; please remember to put your money in an envelope clearly marked with your child's name and class. It can be a great help if you write a cheque at the beginning of every term for snack money to St Anthony's School Fund.

<u>LOST PROPERTY</u> - We seem to have a lot of lost property again. If this is not claimed by the end of term then it will all go to the charity shop.

<u>MISSING BRACELET</u> - We have a lovely silver bracelet which was found in the hall on Tuesday a couple of weeks ago. If this belongs to you then please see Mrs Edwards in the office.



FUNDING FOR ST ANTHONY'S - Does anybody work for a company that may price match our super efforts in our fundraising, for example The Post Office, McDonalds or Money Supermarket etc? If you do, then please see Mrs Edwards in the office who is currently trying to raise more funds for our playground.

MRS PARSONS - Is retiring from her post as Midday Supervisor after eighteen years of service. She will continue with her role as Teaching Assistant doing 'Catch Up' and helping in the classes. A BIG thank you to Mrs Parsons for her hard work over the years. Miss Franco one of our Teaching Assistants will replace Mrs Parsons as Midday Supervisor.

<u>MRS PETO</u> - Thank you to Mrs Peto our one to one support who is leaving us after twelve months at St Anthony's.

<u>READING BOOKS/SPORTS KIT</u> - If you have any reading books or sports kits that belong to the school then please return them before the end of term.

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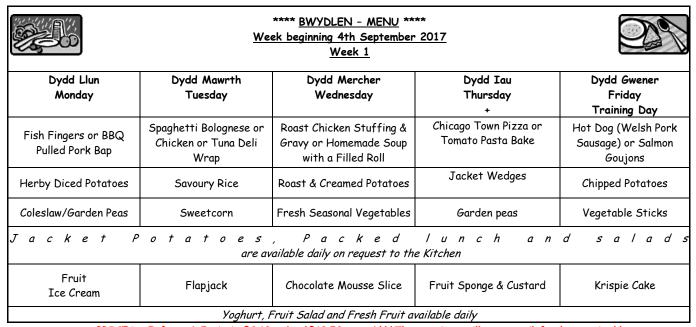
<u>OUTDOOR AREA/PLAYGROUND</u> - During the summer holidays we are anticipating on having the outdoor area revamped. This will comprise of a new outdoor classroom, shaded area in the garden and new fencing to make the garden bigger. There will also be a trim trail for the children to play on.

THANK YOU - To Mrs Franklin, Chair of Governors and the rest of the Governing Body who have a very important role in helping steer our lovely school on the right path in a time of great change educationally. Also I would like to thank Pippa Owen who has helped our school and families a great deal over the last few years and is now retiring. We wish her a happy retirement.

THANK YOU - To all parents for all the lovely gifts for the staff.

Thursday is the last day of term and the children return back to school on Monday September 4th.

Please may I remind everyone to wear correct school uniform including black shoes or red sandals. I wish everyone connected to St Anthony's School a peaceful and happy summer holiday.



PRICES: Infants & Junior's £2.10 a day (£10.50 a week)**These prices will stay until further notice**

Contact the Office for information on Free School Meals Please ensure that all cheques are made payable to Flintshire County

Council Diolch - Thank you John Morgan 19 July 2017

