





Friday 11th April 2025


Diary dates


Dates for the academic year can be found on our website


 Thursday 10th April
Public Speaking Event KS1
Year 1 Easter Celebration All Saints
9.30-10.45


 Friday 11th April
Public Speaking Event KS2
School Closes for Easter 15.15


 Tuesday 22nd April 8.40am
School opens for Summer Term 1


 Tuesday 29th April
Intra-school sports


 Monday 5th May
School closed for May Day

 Wc 12th May
KS2 Tests

 19th – 21st May
Year 6 trip to Shropshire

 Wednesday 21st May
World Culture Day

 Friday 23rd May
School closes for Half Term

 Monday 9th June
School opens for Summer Term 2

SCHOOL UNIFORM

When we return after Easter, optional Summer uniform may be worn as follows:

Blue & white checked dress/culottes
Sky blue short-sleeved polo shirt
Grey Shorts.

You will have received a letter outlining our changes to the school cardigan / jumper in September – please see below.

Please can we remind you that smart watches **are not permitted** in school as part of our school uniform policy.
We thank you for your support with this.

Headteacher's Message

We have had another busy week.

Thank you Y1 and Y3 for leading their Easter services at All Saints. Y3 told the Easter story through 'The Donkey's Tale' and their singing raised the roof. Y1 told their story through 'Dora's Eggs' and their service was lovely too. All the children were an absolute credit to you.

Thank you to all the families for coming to support. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did.

The boys' football team played Devonshire this week and we won 5-0. An amazing achievement and a credit to the team for playing so well.

On Tuesday night we had another successful Easter Bingo event. A huge thank you for all your chocolate donations and for your support on the evening. We raised a whopping £934. Thank you. This money will be used to support learning through additional resources, in particular digital clocks for every classroom, in the coming months. Thank you to the PTFA for organising this and for giving up their time. Also a huge thanks to the staff who stayed to support and to the Easter Bunny who made an appearance!

Yesterday we said farewell to Mrs Eckersley as she begins a well-deserved retirement after 19 years at Anchorsholme. Mrs Eckersley really does brighten everyone's day, particularly in Breakfast Club and in Y4. She is genuinely one of the kindest, friendliest and caring people you could have the privilege to meet. We all wish her so much happiness. Thank you for all you have done here at Anchorsholme. As we come to the end of another successful term, I want to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support. Through working together we make a difference to your children and it is a privilege to be with them every day. I hope you have a wonderful Easter break, and let's hope the good weather continues.

Mrs Barr

Anchor News



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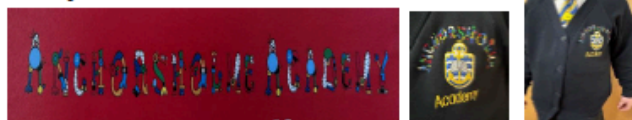


14th March 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are writing to inform you about an upcoming change regarding our school cardigans and jumpers. Our recent Ofsted highlighted that the current font on our cardigans, jumpers and signage was not user friendly, particularly for our younger pupils learning to read.

Current logo:



After careful consideration, and consultation with our Parent/Carer Forum, we have made the decision to update the text on these items to better reflect the school's current branding and to ensure consistency across our uniform.

New logo:



What is changing?

Starting in September 2025, the logo on all school cardigans and jumpers will be updated in line with the rest of uniform and part of our ongoing commitment to enhancing the appearance of our school logo.

We are also updating the PE t-shirts with a logo on the top right in a better quality fabric than the current t-shirt. We are also introducing an optional navy tracksuit with a logo hoodie and plain bottoms. There are some samples in the school office if you wish to see them before they become available.

Logo for the PE t-shirt



Navy hoodie for PE (optional)



When will this happen?

To ensure a smooth transition and minimise any inconvenience, this change will be phased in over a two-year period, beginning in September 2025. This will give families time to adjust and purchase new items as needed.

What does this mean for current uniform items?

Any cardigans or jumpers with the current text will still be acceptable for wear during this phased transition period. We understand that it may take time for families to purchase new items, and we want to ensure that this change does not place undue financial pressure on our families. At this present time, there is no increase to the price of the new jumpers, cardigans and PE t-shirts.

How can you prepare?

If you wish to purchase new jumpers and cardigans with the updated text, they will be available after Easter at Bispham Clothing. We will inform you once they are in stock. In the meantime, there is no immediate action required on your part.

We are excited about this update and hope it will help us to further strengthen our school community and sense of pride. Should you have any questions or concerns about this change, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs J Barr
Headteacher



This week in pictures

Foundation

FS created some marvellous egg creations for our easter competition!



Year 1

Year 1 had fun making easter cakes this week!



Year 2

Year 2 have started a new writing cycle this week, reading the story 'Miranda the Castaway.' After the Easter break, children will be writing a diary entry imagining they are Miranda.



Year 3

This week, Year 3 performed their Easter play of 'A Donkey's Tale' to their families and to Year 4 at All Saint's Church. They were amazing!



Year 4

Year 4 enjoyed immersing themselves into the geography and culture of Italy this week. We listened to the music, explored the key landmarks, learnt some Italian, tasted food and built our own Leaning Tower of Pisas!



Year 5

Year 5 celebrated their Egyptian topic with a museum event for parents, displaying newspaper reports, canopic jars and cleopatra cushions which the children have made,



Year 6

Year 6 had an amazing time at their very own silent disco! This was for all children who achieved 100 behaviour signatures this half term.



Notices



Attendance Matters!

Well done to Year 2, who have the highest year group attendance again this week.

Well done also to Class 4, who had the highest class attendance and won our attendance award this week.

Year Group	Weekly Attendance Week commencing 07/04/25	Average this year
Foundation Stage	95.4%	96.3%
Year 1	96.6%	95.7%
Year 2	97.4%	96.1%
Year 3	95.5%	96.1%
Year 4	94.5%	95.4%
Year 5	96.5%	95.6%
Year 6	92.5%	94.3%

Attendance Champions

Class 6 were our attendance champions for this term! To celebrate, they enjoyed an amazing trip to the Backlot Cinema in Blackpool, where they watched the film "Dog Man." The children had a fantastic time and truly represented our school with pride, embodying the Anchorsholme way throughout the morning. Well done, Class 6!



Junior Leadership News

Hello from the Junior Leadership Team.

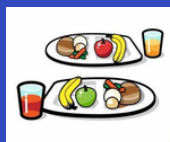
This week's fact - You can buy a square watermelon in Japan!

This week's joke How do all the oceans say hello to each other? They wave!

Thank you for reading have a good Easter break.

ParentPay

Please could all parents who pay for dinners, log on to ParentPay over the holidays to make sure your balance is zero or in credit. Please remember your account should be in credit at all times. Thank you for your continued support.



Music Fees

After the Easter holidays we will be in the Summer Term of the school year.


If your child has music lessons that you pay for, please note that the 3rd term's payment of £62 is due on our return to school, Tuesday 22nd April.

Please login to ParentPay and make sure that you have paid the full fees of £186 for the year by the end of the first week back, Friday 25th April 2025.

Thank you for your attention to this - without prompt payments, we would be unable to offer these high-quality experiences to our children.

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Tuesday 4th April 2025

Drop-off & Pick-up Arrangements


Dear Foundation Stage Parents and Carers,

As you are aware, the work on our new outdoor area is set to commence after the Easter break. In light of this, there will be some adjustments to the beginning and end of day arrangements for our Foundation Stage (FS) children. These changes are outlined below:

- **Morning Drop-Off (8.40am- 8.55am):** FS children should now be dropped off at the little blue and yellow gate next to the Year 1 and 2 play equipment on the Year 1 and 2 playground. Teachers will be there to greet the children as usual.
- **End of the Day (3.10pm):** At the end of the school day, Yellow Class will exit from the Year 1 door, while Red and Blue Classes will exit from the little blue and yellow gate at which they were dropped off. Teachers will be with the children as they exit as usual.
- **Congestion Management:** We kindly ask that you stand back and move forward as your child reaches the front of the line to avoid any unnecessary congestion.

Thank you in advance for your support and understanding. We are looking forward to sharing our new outdoor area with you once the work is completed in May.

Yours sincerely,
 Mrs L Dickinson
 EYFS Team Lead



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