

Weekly Update - 13th February 2025

Message from the Head

I cannot believe this is the last newsletter of the first half term already! We have battled with the wintry elements but Spring is hopefully not far away and, in anticipation, gardening club have planted bulbs in the beds at the lower end of the playground. We are the eternal optimists!

As with everything in life, change is inevitable and we wish a fond farewell to Ms O'Sullivan and Rupert and wish both of them well in the next chapter. On 6th March we will also be saying a sad goodbye to Mrs Reynolds who will be leaving us to pursue a very different career on the TransPennine Express!

Mrs Reynolds has been an invaluable member of our school team as the intervention TA and we will all miss her but wish her well on her next career journey; literally!

Mrs Reynolds is being replaced by Ann Marie Pegler who is also making a career move from Kitchen to classroom.

Mrs Pegler has a degree in Law and Politics and has previously worked in the Irish Consulate in Brussels and who is now in the second year of a Child Psychology degree. Coupled with her studies Mrs Pegler is the Safeguarding and Child Protection lead at Bowdon Rugby Club so has a wealth of valuable experience.

We wish all our colleagues the very best in their career endeavours.

Tomorrow's teacher Inset is focused solely on the faith life of the school and the expected Diocesan inspection and St Ambrose staff will spend quality time together evaluating our current practice and how to develop further.

We hope you have a lovely half term and pray for better weather when we return.

ST. AMBROSE PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Dates for your Diary

Mon 24th Feb - School reopens

**Wed 26th Feb - ISA U11 Football,
The Grange**

**Sat 1st Mar - Cross Country,
Longford Park**

**Wed 5th Mar - Swimming Gala, St
Ambrose College**

**Wed 5th Mar - Ash Wednesday
Service - children only**

Thurs 6th Mar - World Book Day

**Fri 7th Mar - Prep 4 parents invited
to Jubilee Assembly, 9am**

**Sat 8th Mar - Cross Country,
Wythenshawe Park**

**Wed 12th Mar - ISA Football Final,
Burton-on-Trent**

**Tue 18th Mar - Primary Schools
(Swimming) Championships,
Blackpool**

**Fri 21st Mar - Infant 1, Knowsley
Safari Park**

**Sat 22nd Mar - Cross Country,
Wythenshawe Park**

**Fri 28th Mar - EYFS Mother's Day
Assembly, 9am**

Sat 29th Mar - Open Day

**Thurs 3rd Apr - KS1 Easter Play,
2pm**

Fri 4th Apr - School Closes at 12pm

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Due to Mrs Pegler taking up the role of TA, a vacancy has arisen for a Catering Supervisor to join our team. As such we would be most grateful if you could share details of this with anyone you know who might be interested.

Our Catering Supervisor plays a crucial role in planning, ordering and serving a nutritious, well-balanced menu that supports the health and well-being of our children.

Working 22.5 hours per week (9.45am – 2.45pm, Monday to Friday, this position is term time only.

Full details and a link to the Application Form can be found on the school website, or by clicking [here](#)

Deadline for applications is Monday 17th February

Highlights of the Week

As it has been Children's Mental Health Week, the theme of which was 'Know Yourself, Grow Yourself', the children have enjoyed some special activities in school, designed to promote their health and wellbeing.

Mindful Monday provided the chance for those that wanted to go for a run on the field at lunchtime whilst Teamwork Tuesday saw the children creating their own 'Grow Yourself Cress Egg Head'.

The whole school enjoyed coming together on Walking Wednesday for a walk on the field and Early Years also had a 'wheelie' good time scooting around the playground!

To finish the week ready for half term, the children were invited to come in to school in their own clothes for Thriving Thursday, also bringing in a game or toy to play with with their friends and taking part in some bonding group activities during lunchtime.

