



# St Francis Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents

Welcome to our first newsletter of the new academic year. The children look very smart in their uniforms. They have settled well into their new classes and are working hard. They are a credit to you and an asset to our school. We welcomed a number of new families this week both in Reception classes and across other year groups. We look forward to working with you to make 2016-17 a fantastic year for all our children and the school as a whole.



## Attendance Ted



This week Attendance Ted goes to Class St Margaret with 99.2% attendance. Well Done. Our whole school attendance was 94.5 %.



## Punctuality Pup

Next week Punctuality Pup will be visiting classes ZK, LMH, BL, MH, KB and JS who had 0% late arrivals this week. Our whole school percentage of late arrivals was 0.3%.



## Courtesy Cup

### Early Years and Key Stage One

SY: -

JB:-

ZK: Adam Amarzouk

MH: Alisha Simpson

SH: Lee Shipley

HR/EA: Eva-Mae Oredein

### Key Stage Two

JS: Henry Mills

KB: Rowan Ezhil Sankar

NZ: Denzel Adama

MH: Mia Whitmore

KP: Reuben Todd

JM/GH: Diya Bobby

BL: Ines Del Val Vivar

LMH: Leah Lewis

## Diary Dates

Along with this newsletter you will also receive the school calendar for the academic year 2016-17. This will give you the dates for all trips, meetings and information sessions already confirmed. There may be additional dates to be confirmed later in the year but you will be informed of these in due course.

## **Parent Volunteers for Reading**

During the last academic year we were very grateful to a small group of parents who came in on a regular basis to hear children read. Please can any of those parents who are willing to continue this good work let Miss Killackey know as we are keen to schedule the reading as quickly as possible. We will only be asking volunteers to come in for afternoons this year so if you feel you can commit to a regular afternoon to help out, Miss Killackey would love to hear from you as soon as possible.

## **Message from SG17**

This term the following clubs will be taking place for year 5 & 6 at lunchtimes.

Tuesday - Football (trials - year 5) & Hockey.

Wednesday - Football (trials - year 6).

Thursday - Tag Rugby & Cross Country.

Children need to bring a change of clothes (not PE kit) & shin pads for football & hockey. Appropriate footwear is needed, a drink (non-fizzy) & a rain jacket.

Football will be for the whole school year in which an A & B squad will be picked to play matches throughout the year. All the other sports are for the children to improve fitness, gain confidence & have fun. Except the football all the other sports may change over the terms depending on which schools events are happening.

## **Golden Rules**

I would like to remind parents of the four Golden Rules of St Francis Catholic Primary School.

**We will always use commonsense, courtesy and consideration**

**We will always try our best and allow others to do the same.**

**We will show respect by looking after ourselves, others and school property.**

**We will listen and follow adult instructions.**

Please help your children to understand and appreciate the importance of following these positive rules by discussing them with your child and modelling them yourself.

**Golden Ties:** Leon Blewer, Harry Cardwell, Matilda Meskone, Oliver Otway, Braiden McGuinness, Elena Warchol, Martha Winek, Summer Huckstepp, Joshua Jeyes-Ujoodha, Kyra Stokes, Joseph Arda, Abigail Millaner, Lily Sage, Ehizojie Igwubor, Kamile Brauklys, Sara Reszka, Daisy Walsh, Teddy Kelly, Thomas Mills, Elisa Rosina, Samuel Rutter, Paul Bradley, Lola Sparks, Neha Jose, Ophelia Ward, Ben Herron, Ciaran Cooper-Hayden, Alice Marshall, Lucy Anderson, Darren Beirne, Joseph Hill, Leila Murphy-Powell, Jarema Gatkowski, Joseph McBride, Mehrab Islam Chowdhury and Katy Hook.

Dear Lord,

As we begin this new school year, we gather once again as your community of believers.

We thank you for the energy and the spirit that you renewed in us through the summer months.

We thank you for the time to enjoy our family and friends and to reflect on what is important in our lives.

Let this year be marked by enthusiasm and love so that, with the inspiration of your Spirit, we may continue to grow in our faith.

Help us to fulfil Your hope for us with honest intentions and works of faith.

Let us be gentle with ourselves and bring laughter, joy and love to others.

We ask this in your name.

Amen.