



St Francis Catholic Primary School Newsletter



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Attendance Ted



Last week Attendance Ted went to Class St Luke, attendance was 99.3%. The whole school attendance figure for the week was 95.8%



Courtesy Cup

EYFS: -

Evie Walker and Maisie Denney

Year 1:

Anaya Peiris and Grace Emmott

Year 2:

Pilar Marques and Alex Tzanakakis

Year 3:

Harriet Finnegan and Daisy Walsh

Year 4:

Beau Davis and Yasmin Gowing

Year 5:

Auguste Brauklys and Ninetta Soni

Year 6:

Mollie McCoy and Anoushka Fridd



Punctuality Pup

Punctuality Pup will be looked after by classes St Lucy, St Ann and St Paul who had 0% late arrivals last week. The whole school late's for the week was 0.8%.



First Holy Communion Programme

If any parent has a query regarding the programme please contact the group catechist or email the parish office at:

communionprog@stfrancisparish.org.uk.

The school is unable to deal with any queries.

School Payments

Please make sure all payments are put in your child's book-bag, in a sealed envelope, clearly marked with their name and class along with the activity.

Correct money is to be paid as no change will be given. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Polite Notice

The staff in this school are fully committed to supporting you and your child. We understand that, at times, you will have questions about our work and may wish to speak to an adult. Any meeting should have a professional, polite and respectful feel. Rude or aggressive behaviour will not be tolerated at St Francis. I have instructed the adults of this school to terminate any conversation which they believe to be rude, aggressive or disrespectful. Thank you for your understanding on this matter.

Prayer

In the spirit of St Francis...

Lord, make us instruments of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let us sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.

Parking in the Car Park and Outside the School

Can all parents please ensure that they have read the important parking letter sent home last Thursday which is also on our website home page under 'Latest News'.

Walk to School / Buster Reading Challenges

Well done to class KB St Luke for winning our walk to school challenge; each child won an ice skating ticket. Class BL St Margaret won the Buster Reading challenge with almost 1000 minutes read. Well done.

Sponsored Activities Fundraising for Cafod - Friday 14th October

As you are aware, St Francis School is fund raising for CAFOD during this 'Jubilee Year of Mercy.' CAFOD is an integral part of the Catholic Church and we as a school share their values of helping some of the world's poorest people. Our goal is to raise £4,000 towards the running of a medical centre.

We are now preparing for our biggest fund raiser event so far, which we hope will take us closer to our goal.

Children will be able to choose from one of 3 activities which we hope will be supported through sponsorship by family and friends. We will be holding a sponsored walk around the field, or children may choose skipping or hula hooping on the playground. Parents may wish to join their children and take part in these activities on the day by making a donation themselves.

Mrs Hawkes has kindly donated an amazon fire 7" tablet, kids edition. This will be presented to the child that collects the most sponsorship money.

This event will take place on Friday 14th October and will begin at 1.30pm. Children will be able to wear their own home clothes and will also need to bring a rain mac or a hooded coat. Please also ensure that foot wear is suitable for all weather as the field can become very muddy. Children may bring in money to buy snacks which will be available after their activity.

We hope that you will support your children with this initiative, who in turn will be supporting the good works of CAFOD. www.cafod.org.uk.

Please support your child in our efforts to achieve our fundraising goal. Please be sure to check your child's book back for a sponsorship form.

Au Revoir and Welcome

On Friday we said a fond farewell to Miss Freeman a member of our support staff who served the school in many roles over the last few years. We wish her well as she continues her studies towards an MA. We also extend our best wishes to Mrs Allen as she begins her maternity leave.

We welcome Miss Coomber to our school as a new member of the support team in Year 6.

Congratulations to Mrs Walker on the birth of her son Finley who is already three weeks old. Mum and baby are doing fine. We send them all our love from St Francis School.

Diary Dates

Tuesday 4th October – Yr2 KS1 SATs Information meeting @ 3:30pm

Wednesday 5th October - Whole School Mass to celebrate the Feast of St Francis @ 9:30am followed by coffee morning. Please do come and join us in our celebration.

Wednesday 12th October – Yr6 KS2 SATs Information meeting @3:30pm

Friday 14th October – Sponsored Activities Fundraising for Cafod – See above

Golden Ties

Serena Crunden, Jacob George, Sam Santhosh, Jacob Skelton, Hollie Brooker, Summer Baker, Harrison Wellington, Antonio Mendes, Sasha Griffiths, Mattie Hughes, Lucy Gray, George Phillips, Lee Mathew, Isaac Tayag, Sidney Hahnefeld, Oliver Meston, Niamh Humphrey, Katarzyna Mroz, Sophia Jardim, Rowan Rajan, Leo Allen, Thomas Knowles, Isaiah Mujuni, Chelsey Temple, Patryk Struzik, Thea Reuyan, Cathal Nevin, John Furigay, Jennifer James, Luize Meskone, Grace Brundish, William Creigh, Faith Musendo, Achilleas Burt, Noah Spice, Reina Kurian, Apollo Booth, Natalia Sharp-Martin, Callum Washford, Alfie Holding, Paddy Cooper-Hayden and Erin Manser.