



Weekly What's On!

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The Norfolk Fencing Competition

This was held on Saturday 23rd March at Hellesdon High School. Three students from St Francis attended and took part in the Under 10 Foil category. They were Tianna F, Filip S and Fleur S. All three fenced amazingly and Tianna won a Bronze medal. Filip came fourth and Fleur came fifth. On top of this, Filip won a prize for the most sportsmanship behaviour because he informed the referee that a point was actually the other fencer's. Fleur won a prize for the happiest, most smiley fencer because she was always smiling and enjoyed the event a lot. All the officials commented on how polite and well behaved the fencers were. They were a real credit to St Francis and their behaviour should be commended. Equally, thank you to Mr Stimpson for leading the Club at our school and taking them to the competition.

Year 3 and 4 Optional Trip to the Theatre Royal to see Puss in Boots by Northern Ballet.



Year 3 and 4 children each received a letter regarding this trip. It is on Monday 20th May, the first day of our schools Arts Week and we are watching the 2pm performance. If your child would like a ticket they need to pay £9 on Wisepay by Friday 5th April.



PTFA Quiz & Chips Night – POSTPONED until Friday 10th May. Please do book again to attend this fun event.

READING COMPETITION

Praise in 5W has already read his height in books and now has the challenge to read Mrs Furness's height. Very well done. Closely behind him are Karina L in 5W, George in 5M and Nathalie in 3S. It's fantastic that you read so many pages so quickly.

MARY WILDS – RETIREMENT

Sadly for us, but probably with some excitement and relief for her, Mary Wilds (who has been an LSA in St Francis and before that in St Johns for over 20 years) is retiring at the end of this term. We are so sad to see her go but obviously wish her the best for the future that awaits. We will have a collection in the office should any of you wish to contribute towards it or sign a card.

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Year 5 Netball Tournament

On Tuesday 26th March, the school netball club attended the Norwich School Sport Partnership High 5 netball tournament at the UEA, where over 120 pupils participated. High 5 Netball is an entry based game into netball and is tailored to children. The club was split into 2 different teams to compete in the tournament. All children worked tirelessly for their team and showed excellent sportsmanship throughout the whole competition. It was a great competition for the netball club. Team A came 9th overall and Team B came 12th. Orla was awarded with a certificate for her sportsmanship at the end of the competition for her positive attitude and teamwork throughout the tournament! An extra well done to Pola and Bea BM for some excellent shooting! Well done to all who competed and keep working hard in training for the Summer League! Check out this link on NSSP website for more information and photos of the event - <https://www.norwichssp.co.uk/over-120-pupils-participate-in-a-high-energy-high-5-netball-competition/>



YEAR 1 TRIP TO GRESSENHALL

Year One enjoyed visiting Gressenhall today and learned about Domestic life 150 years ago. We worked very hard and cleaned the farmhouse with scrubbing brushes, dusters and brooms. We also learned how salt and water was used to clean lots of things. Then we went outside and filled a bucket of water using the water pump. It was difficult work and you had to pull the pump very hard. Outside we went to the wash house. Here warm water and Carbolic soap were added into a large tub. We then used a dolly stick to help wash the farmer's clothes. We had to turn the dolly stick lots of times. Luckily we all got to help make some drop scones in Cherry Tree cottage. They were yummy. Thank you again to all the grownups who helped us on our trip.

4B Class Assembly

Thank you to all the family and friends who came into school on Tuesday to watch this class's Assembly which they had written themselves. It was absolutely terrific and we hope you enjoyed it. We certainly did.

YEAR 2 – TIME AND TIDE TRIP



This week, Year 2 went to Time and Tide Museum in Great Yarmouth. We met four explorers and did workshops with each of them. We met Ida Flower who was a female explorer and her crew: Martha- the carpenter, Miss Darwin who was a naturalist and Randall, the navigator of the ship who we needed to help be brave! We had a great time finding out about explorers and doing different activities!



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Year 6 Maths Challenge

Four children from Year 6 took part in an inter-school Maths Competition at Norwich School on Friday 22nd March against a number of schools from across the county, including many of the private schools. The children competed in teams of two and had to take part in a 'Countdown' type round, as well as one which tested their understanding of algebra. In addition, there was a general arithmetic and problem-solving round. The children enjoyed the challenge of taking part in such an event even though they did not win - well done!



EASTER TOMBOLA

Thank you to everyone who filled up a bag and returned it to school. Now you can win some Easter goodies. TICKETS will cost £1 for 5 and will be available in the playground from 1st April until 3rd April or until stocks last.

Collect your prizes from the D&T classroom.

Thank you to everyone who sent into filled bags!

Celebration Assembly

Well done to:

Ola 4M: for excellent problem solving

Hector 4M: for working and thinking hard

Deniel 6W: for excellent writing of a balanced argument

Zeki 6HW: for having an excellent approach towards everything he does and being a fantastic role model

Milena 5W: Amazing effort in everything

Night Out for Dads and Grandads of Reception to Year Six Children

After the last successful event, I will be putting on another evening of fun. The date is set for Friday 5th April 2019. Start at the Bell Hotel in the City for 8pm.

Please contact Graham Petruckevitch 07847049399 or e-mail Petruckevitch@gmail.com
Looking forward to a night out for all us hardworking dads and grandads!

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Swimming Gala



Last Friday a number of children went to the UEA to compete in the Swimming Gala. Congratulations to:

25m Butterfly

Antonia 3rd, Edward 1st, Anika 4th and Marcel 3rd in each of their heats.

25m Breaststroke

Orla 4th, David 1st, Pola 1st, Adam 3rd and Amelia 4th in each of their heats

25m Backstroke

Georgia 3rd, Jake 2nd, Milena 2nd, Callum 2nd, Rachel 1st and Gabriel 5th in

each of their heats

25m Freestyle

Maya 2nd, Oliver 4th, Isabella 3rd, Leo 2nd, Aedin 3rd and Benedict 4th in each of their heats

Relay 4 x 25 m

Year 6 teams 5th, Year 5 team 4th and Year 4 team 1st.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please remember to keep checking the list of dates. New dates are always being added and sometimes we have to re-arrange events.

April

Monday 1st

Class photographs

Wednesday 3rd

Year 3 Pilgrimage to Walsingham

Thursday 4th

Reception Multi Skills Festival at Easton and Otley College

Parent Drop-in Year 4 9.10 to 10.00 am Maths

Parent Drop-in Year 3 participating in puzzle solving 2.30 pm to 3.25pm

Friday 5th

Break up for Easter Holidays

Tuesday 23rd

Back to School

Wednesday 24th

Parent Drop-in Year 2 – Maths 9.00 am-9.50 am

CASMA concert for Year 3,4 and 5 of Choir

May

Thursday 2nd

Year 1 Multi Skills Festival at Easton and Otley College

Year 2 Multi Skills Festival at Easton and Otley College

Tuesday 7th

3S Class Assembly 2.45pm

Monday 13th - 16th

YEAR 6 SATS WEEK

Monday 20th

Samba workshops all day

Optional Theatre Royal Trip Year 3 and 4 – Puss in Boots by Northern Ballet

Tuesday 21st

Samba workshops all day

Wednesday 22nd

Samba workshops all morning

Thursday 23rd

Optional Theatre Trip for Year 4,5 and 6. The Terrible Tudors Horrible Histories