



## Weekly What's On

9<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Issue 28

Monday 12<sup>th</sup>

Registration open to 10 am

Children meet their new teacher and class 10.30 to 11.30

Wed 14<sup>th</sup>

Year 6 Retreat

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup>

Talent Show

Friday 16<sup>th</sup>

**Break for Summer Holidays**

**September**

Monday 6<sup>th</sup>

**Children return to school**

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> – Friday 17<sup>th</sup>

Year 5 Residential Trip to Whitwell Hall

**October**

Friday 1<sup>st</sup>

School individual and family photos

### GOODBYES

Once again we get to the end of a school year and it's time to say some thank yous and goodbyes.

Harry Palmer has spent the last two years teaching PE throughout the school, managing out-of-school sporting events and helping to run the After School Club. He is now taking the next exciting step in his teaching career as he moves to another school and we wish him all the best!



We also say goodbye to Kath Goulds and Becky Collier who have been wonderful and inspirational tutors to Toby in Year 6. Becky is moving up to Notre Dame with Toby whilst Kath, who has also been working as a Teaching Assistant in Miss Farrow's class, is moving to Brighton. They both leave an invaluable legacy of greater awareness of equality and inclusion in education.

Emma Rotheram, Pastoral Lead, is moving on to new challenges, along with Georgia Evison, TA in 1P, who is going to London, where she hopes to continue her career in education.

Earlier in the year we said goodbye to both Ali Fenton, TA in Year 5, and to Jill Lawson from Year 2 who has decided to spend more time on her charity work.

Lastly, baby news! Annika Balls, previously a TA in Year 1, will not be returning from her maternity leave as she is making the most of those irreplaceable early years. And lastly, we say a temporary goodbye to Laura Palmer (no relation to Mr Palmer!) who will be

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concentrating on the important job of having a baby in the Autumn. We look forward to meeting the new arrival and hope to see her back at St Francis in due course.

## CELEBRATION AWARDS

**2J – Avah** – for all her amazing work this year and her determination to do her best by listening to feedback.

**2J – Herbie** – for all his hard work and super positive attitude all year.

**3B - Kacey** for some fabulous creative writing

**3B – Josiah** - for convincing others of his thinking superbly

**4HS -Hugo** - for actively listening in class to improve his creative writing in English this week.

**4HS - Madeleine, Theo and Luciano** - for consistently being a good example of a Year 4 student - reliable, trustworthy, hardworking and a sensible member of the class.

**4M – Olivia H** - for excellent observations, prediction and reasoning in Science

**5M - Oliver K** - for working hard to improve his punctuation when writing



## VIRTUAL TOUR OF ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI SCHOOL

If you regularly look at our website, you may have noticed our virtual tour. Over the last few years, I know there have been reduced opportunities to come into the school, so I do encourage you to have a look. There is a guide to how to use it next to it on the website. A quick link is below.

<https://my.matterport.com/show/?m=37eHjfl13gR&hl=1>



## JOB ADVERTS

We are looking for a suitable candidate to work in our Breakfast Club as a playworker 7.30 to 8.40 Monday to Friday during term time. Please email [deputy@st-francisofassisi.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:deputy@st-francisofassisi.norfolk.sch.uk) if you are interested.

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## Midday Supervisory Assistants

7.50 hours per week, (12 noon – 1.30pm) term time only.

SCP 1 (Scale A) £18328.21 (FTE) Pro Rata.

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Actual Salary £3,086.55

## General MSA duties:

to cover all lunchtime supervision and work co-operatively in a team  
to promote the welfare and safety of all pupils  
to engage with the pupils by organising, initiating and participating in play activities  
to assist in hot school dinner and packed lunch arrangements by encouraging positive behaviour, healthy eating and polite manners.

We are looking for calm, caring and friendly people, who enjoy being with children and who are willing to engage through play.

Further details and application forms may be downloaded from the school website [www.stfrancisofassisi.co.uk](http://www.stfrancisofassisi.co.uk). Please email completed application forms to [office@st-francisofassisi.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:office@st-francisofassisi.norfolk.sch.uk) or post the downloaded form to the school office.

Closing date: Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Interview date: Week Commencing 19<sup>th</sup> July 2021

*Applicants should be practicing Catholics supportive of our ethos. St John the Baptist CMAT welcomes applications from members of minority ethnic communities and those with disabilities. The Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. You will be subject to DBS checks along with relevant employment checks.*

## Year 3 and 4 Sports day!

Yesterday, Year 3 and 4 had their sports day! In the morning, children worked hard in their house teams to compete in a rounders' tournament. Following this, all children took part in races. All children showed great perseverance, teamwork and sportsmanship throughout the day. Well done to all children who took part and the winners below:

### Sprint

<u>Position</u>	<u>Y4 Boys</u>	<u>Y4 Girls</u>	<u>Y3 Boys</u>	<u>Y3 Girls</u>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Francis	Machaela	Igor	Isla
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Hugo	Florence	Isaac	Alana
3 <sup>rd</sup>	George	Grainne	Oliver B	Clodagh

### 200 meters

<u>Position</u>	<u>Y4 Boys</u>	<u>Y4 Girls</u>	<u>Y3 Boys</u>	<u>Y3 Girls</u>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Hugo	Florence	Isaac	Matilda S
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Francis	Carissa	Igor	Alana

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3 <sup>rd</sup>	George	Ingrid	Rui	Clodagh
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## Relay

<u>Position</u>	<u>Y4 Boys</u>	<u>Y4 Girls</u>	<u>Y3 Boys</u>	<u>Y3 Girls</u>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Blue	Green	Yellow	Yellow
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Red	Yellow	Green	Red
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Green	Blue	Red	Blue
4 <sup>th</sup>	Yellow	Red	Blue	Green

## The Little Princess Charity



Last Saturday, Faith in 5M cut off 25cm of her beautiful hair, to donate to the Little Princess Trust. At the same time, a Just Giving page that she set up managed to raise £555.00! This is due to the generosity of her family and friends as well as -and most importantly- her school friends and their families.

This amount will allow the charity to make and fit a wig to a child in need, completely free of charge. Well done Faith and all who supported her.

**St John's First Holy Communion and Confirmation programmes** for 2021-22 are open for registrations. Please find the link to the e-registration form on the Cathedral Website - under latest news. You will need your child's baptism details to complete the form. Please note that there are limited spaces which will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Registrations close on 31st August 2021

## BIRTHDAY CARD COMPETITION

Thank you for all the entries: all the cards were lovely but we chose 7 fantastic winners.

The winners are:

George 6S

Enda 6S

Ann-Leigh 6R

Julia 5M

Eliza 5F

Imogen 4M

Eve 2J

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## Figurine It Out Exhibition

St Francis of Assisi are one of the schools in Norwich that have taken part in an art project called 'Figurine It Out.' This was created by the Norwich 2040 Cultural Partnership Group that St Francis of Assisi are a part of.

The project was inspired by Antony Gormley and his 'Field' installations in the 1990s. Each child was given a ball of plasticine and challenged to create a simple figurine to represent how they feel now we are all back together properly. They then had to write how they felt on a small flag that the figurine would hold.

The figurines are part of an art trail in Norwich that will grow as more figurines are made. Our figurines have **found their new home at 45 St Stephens Street Norwich** (where Argos used to be). They will be there over the summer holidays so if you get chance please go and visit them. It would be great for the children to see their art displayed in a public place!

There is also a digital exhibition, so that you can see the figurines close up.

The link for the exhibition is: <http://norwich2040.org.uk/exhibition/>



The project is also part of the launch of the Young Norfolk Arts Festival. Have a look online as there are events taking place over the next few days that might be of interest.

<http://youngnorfolkarts.org.uk/ynaf-2021/>

Have a lovely holiday.

Mrs Deakin

### Into Opera Festival

We had two lovely days, despite the inclement weather, earlier this week with singing and dancing led by brilliant professionals; we hope the parents enjoyed Lizzie Holmes walking around at the end of the day singing some beautiful arias. There have been a number of children claiming to be hopeful opera singers singing to me since.

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## MESSAGE FOR MONDAY (AFTER THE FOOTBALL FINAL)



We are aware that many children plan to watch the Final which is at 8pm on Sunday night - meaning that many of them will be late to bed that night! Because Monday is the day that children meet their new class teachers for the first time, it's really important that they are in on that day. However, we will not be taking Registers until

10am on Monday to give you extra time to wake them up and get them into school for the 10.30 am swap.

## OPPORTUNITIES OVER THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS

**The Big Norfolk Holiday Fun** is back and open for bookings for the Summer holidays. Families eligible for means tested free school meals can access FREE holiday activity places for their children aged 5-16. Children will be able to access up to 16 days of free activity throughout the summer holidays, the sessions will include a variety of fun activities, including sports, music, arts and other exciting opportunities to learn and develop skills, alongside a nutritious meal each day.

Please see Claire Furness on [deputy@st-francisofassisi.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:deputy@st-francisofassisi.norfolk.sch.uk) for application forms.

**GoGo Dinosaurs** - Get ready to GoGo on a FREE Jurassic jaunt this Summer!

GoGoDiscover is Break's latest art trail in partnership with Wild in Art. It features 21 individually designed T.rex sculptures which have stomped through the streets of Norwich as a guided route to Norwich Cathedral and Dippy the Diplodocus. It encourages explorers of all ages to have fun and learn more about the City while also raising vital money for vulnerable children and young people across the region. The Jurassic trail will be on the streets of Norwich from Monday 12th July until Saturday 11th September 2021. No booking needed, free trail.

<https://www.break-charity.org/gogodiscover/>

**Brick Dinos at The Forum** in Norwich - <https://theforumnorwich.co.uk/whats-on/brick-dinos> FREE event but booking is essential (follow the above link to Eventbrite booking) 19<sup>th</sup> July – 30<sup>th</sup> August, Monday to Sunday 9am – 5pm.

Brick Dinos is a free, family friendly exhibition featuring a huge selection of dinosaurs created from LEGO® bricks!

Developed by artist Warren Elsmore in conjunction with palaeontologists the exhibition is an incredible educational and entertaining exhibition.

The exhibition also features a range of prehistoric creatures as well as dinosaurs. From tiny insects to a four-metre-long raptor-like Masiakasaurus come face to face with these amazing creatures!

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## **Dino-Mite Adventures at Castle Quarter**

From Thursday 22nd July to Thursday 5th August, Castle Quarter is part of the Go Go Discover T-rex trail this summer. There will be dinosaurs hidden in the centre and they need your help to find them! Tick them off on the trail sheet as you find them for your chance to WIN £50 to spend in your favourite store.

Also animatronic creatures will be roaming around in Castle Quarter at intervals between 11am and 3pm from Tuesday 10th and 31st August.

10th August | Baby dinosaurs

17th August | T-rex

24th August | Raptor

31st August | Spinosaurus

Dino-sheets will be available from this link soon:

<https://castlequaternorwich.co.uk/fun/dino-mite-adventure/>

## **Children's Wildlife Watch Zoom Session – Bats.** Saturday 11 September, 2021. FREE.

Bats are the only flying mammal in the world. They appear in many mythical stories but do you know your fact from fiction? Join Norfolk Wildlife Trust to find out the truth about these amazing animals! Free zoom session (donation is optional). Booking required:

<https://www.norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk/whats-on/all-events/2021-09-11-children-s-wildlife-watch-zoom>

**The Summer Reading Challenge** takes place every year during the summer holidays and aims to support children's reading for pleasure and prevent a dip in reading over the six-week break. Your child will receive a FREE pack that includes a map of the fictional town of Wilderville. The aim of the game is to read a book, collect a sticker to put on the map (some are scratch and sniff!) and solve the clues.

To make the Summer Reading Challenge even more fun, we are providing a different free activity sheet every week during the summer holidays to pick up when you visit us. Join the library free of charge to access all of their services: <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/libraries-local-history-and-archives/libraries/your-library-account/join-the-library>

**Norfolk Libraries** – FREE online events for children and young people, including story time, fun information sessions, coding sessions to make your own game and loads more:

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/libraries-local-history-and-archives/libraries/whats-on/online-activities-for-children-and-families>

**National Wildlife Trust** Open Garden and BioBlitz at the Bishop's House in Norwich, in aid of the Children And Nature Fund. Explore the historic garden, take part in an interactive day of wildlife recording, and discover the species that call this magnificent city centre garden home. Refreshments available. All funds raised will directly benefit NWT projects connecting children with the natural world. Entry £5 but free to wheelchair users and children. Booking required: <https://www.norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk/whats-on/all-events/2021-09-19-nwt-bishop-s-garden-bioblitz>.

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**The Garage** in Chapelfield, Norwich is offering a range of arts activities throughout the Summer. They offer discounts (link to details on this page) -

<https://thegarage.org.uk/holiday-activities/>

**Solihull parenting courses online** - <https://solihullapproachparenting.com/trainings/online-courses/>

## **PREMIER SPORTS SUMMER CAMP AT ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI**

**Booking Link** = <https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/14119-697879/?back=1&location=norwich>