

# St Francis of Assisi Catholic Primary School



*Learning and growing together in God's love*

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## WEEKLY WHAT'S ON

Issue 23 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024

ALL

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 6.30 pm Quiz and Chips at School (adults only) (If we have enough teams)

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March Choir singing at St Peter Mancroft 4pm to 8pm Families 7pm to 8pm. CASMA

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March Class Photos

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March Catholic Relationships and Sex Education programme 'Live Life to the Full'. Presentation by Mrs Hope in the Hall 3.30 to 4.15 pm (see below)

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June Diversity Day

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June Sports Day

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June – Heigham Park Centenary

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July – School Discos during day for Years EYFS to Year 4 6-8pm Year 5 and 6

### Reception

Wk beg 4<sup>th</sup> March Mystery Reader Week  
13<sup>th</sup> June Heigham Park Trip

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July Year 1 Teacher Talk 3.30 – 4pm HALL

### Year 3

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> 9-11 Walk to Eaton Park for Latitude 52

Year 3 Circus Skills Showcase in the hall: Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March 3MD 11:30am - 3M's 2:45pm

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April- Reading Workshop in classrooms 2.15 pm

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July Year 4 Parent Talk Hall 3.45

### Year 4

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April Parents in for learning 2.15pm

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March Trip to Walsingham  
Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June Trip to the Forum

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April Theatre trip to see Boy at the Back of the Class 10.30 am

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July Year 5 Parent Talk 3.45 to 4.15 pm HALL

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2.30pm Year Group Assembly

### Year 1

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March Parental Engagement Sewing Workshop

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March Multiskills Festival Easton College - Coach 9.45- 12

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May Year Group Assembly  
Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July Year 2 Parent Talk 3.30 – 4.00 HALL

### Year 5

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March Cross Country Old Catton

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April 5J Dance Show The Space

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2:30 Year Group Assembly

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July Year 6 Parent Talk 3.45 to 4.15 pm HALL

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July School Disco 6-8pm

### Year 2

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March Time and Tide Museum Trip

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June Year Group Assembly 2.30 pm

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July Year 3 Parent Talk 3.45 to 4.15 HALL

### Year 6

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March Cross Country Old Catton

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July School Disco 6-

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July Transition Day Notre Dame

Year 6 Production 6.30 pm Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July



## CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY NAMES



- 1L Penelope** for being a real 'Superstar' on our trip to Gressenhall
- 1PL Kutenwa** for having a great attitude on our trip to Gressenhall and asking lots of super questions.
- 2H Keira** for listening to advice in maths and acting on it to get unstuck in multiplication - brilliant work on arrays! Well done!
- Prudence** for having an excellent week, trying hard in her learning and creating a great description of Boudicca!
- 2B Toby:** For fantastic work with arrays. Toby worked really hard to stick at the problem even when it was difficult.
- Jason:** For fantastic factual sentence writing about Boudicca, making use of lots of different conjunctions
- 3M - Amaya,** for working hard in Science, identifying light and non-light sources.
- George** has been a star this week for this thoughtful contribution to class discussions in Geography.
- 3MD - Marnie,** for being involved in all of her learning and for growing in confidence in our classroom. Well done Marnie, it's always lovely to talk to you!
- 4D: Isla** is a star this week for her wonderful collage work for a Moroccan tourism poster. She showed concentration, precision and attention to detail. Well done Isla.
- A **big shout out** to those pupils in **4D** that created work for the RE display board - Mrs Downing was amazed by your beautiful work!
- 4HD: Oliver** is a star for showing superb mathematical thinking and explanations when completing multiplicative reasoning. Well done Oliver!
- 5J Riya** - for her focus and involvement in all her lessons and for extending her learning out of school too - often bringing in her own writing and maths linked to our current topics. Also for continuing to always have a positive attitude in all that she does.
- Adam** - for his mathematical thinking with multiplicative reasoning and his determined approach to more complex questions. Also for always being a kind and considerate part of our class community.
- 5W Bibi** - for going above and beyond with her English and Maths by choosing to do extra work at home as well as always making a great effort in school.
- 5W Akela** for being a good, kind friend to all and for working hard in every lesson especially in her maths.
- 6M - Liam** - For working well in a group drama project. He showed good teamwork.
- 6SW - May** - for outstanding story writing and super handwriting in English.

## Learning in school this week

- Year 1** We had a wonderful time on our school trip to Gressenhall. We visited a Victorian schoolhouse, post office, shop and home. We loved spotting Victorian artefacts during the trip and the adults were impressed at how knowledgeable we were! We got to experience the life of a Victorian child by playing with Victorian toys, polishing the copperware, making drop scones on the hearth and helping with the laundry (which was hard work before electricity)
- Year 2** This week, Year 2 have thoroughly enjoyed learning about Celtic warrior queen Boudicca! We have learned about her successes in battle, have begun collages by creating careful pencil drawings and learned songs telling stories about her life.
- Year 3** enjoyed 52 Day on Monday, where they explored everything linked to the number 52, including how to represent 52 in different ways and writing lists of 52 verbs, 52 adjectives and 52 nouns! 52 day introduced our new topic of Latitude 52. The children are really looking forward to exploring Norwich, Canada and China for the remainder of the year.
- Year 4** In Year 4 this week we have enjoyed creating our own list poems about "Ten things..." We have had poems about 'Ten things'... under the bed, at the back of the fridge, at the bottom of my mum's handbag and in the shed at the bottom of the garden! They've made for very interesting reading.
- Year 5** - It is lovely to be back with the children for the final half of Year 5! How time flies! This week we have started our new topic Crime and Punishment. We have had some interesting discussions around how ideas around crimes and punishments have changed over time. In RE, we have reflected on last month's value of Honesty and in Maths, we have been developing our skills in how we approach reasoning questions.
- Year 6** In English, we have been learning about warning stories. In small groups, the children used drama to perform a warning story. Next week, the children will be writing their own stories. Finally, what fantastic costumes and books we had in Year 6 for our St Francis World Book Day!

If your child is eligible for **pupil premium funding**, then they can be signed up to this club over the Easter holidays.

#### **Holiday Activity and Food Programme.**

<https://www.everymove.uk/providers/premier-education/activities/premier-education-multi-activity-holiday-camp-haf-st-francis-of-assisi-catholic-primary-school>

#### **WHITLINGHAM ADVENTURE SAILING CLUB Years 4,5 and 6**

We are currently working out the feasibility of a sailing club run by Whitlingham Adventure on Mondays after the Easter holiday. The cost will be £20 per session for 5 weeks (total £100) This includes transport to Whitlingham at 3.30 and then sailing from 4pm to 6pm.

Parents/Guardians will pick up children from Whitlingham at 6pm

The minimum bookings to run the initial scheme would be 6x participants. The maximum capacity is 15x for minibus transport, 16x for sailing activity. If you are interested, please email [deputy@st-francisofassisi.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:deputy@st-francisofassisi.norfolk.sch.uk)

Dear Parents

In the Summer Term, all children at St Francis follow the Diocesan-approved Catholic Relationships and Sex Education programme 'Live Life to the Full'. This programme includes an online Parent Portal where parents can view the content of all planned lessons and access resources to support their child's learning. Class teachers will send out login-in details and a printed week-by-week lesson overview at the start of the Summer Term.

Additionally, we have set up a meeting for parents wishing to know more about the structure and content of this programme. This meeting will be held in the school Hall between 3:30pm and 4:15pm on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March and will be for adults and children under school-age only. If you would like your St Francis child or children to be looked after by us (free of charge) whilst you are in this meeting, then you must email the Office before Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March so that we can ensure that adequate members of staff are available. We will not be able to offer this childcare option to parents who have not registered by this date.

For parents who are not able to attend this meeting, the presentation PowerPoint will be made available after the meeting on the school website – in the 'Curriculum/RSE/More Information' section.

In the 'Curriculum/RSE/Policies' section of the website, you will also now find the Draft RSE Policy. This is currently open for a consultation period until the start of the Summer Term. You will also find, in 'Curriculum/RSE/Vision Statement' our vision for this subject.

We look forward to welcoming you and answering any questions you may have.

#### **WORLD BOOK DAY – CELEBRATING EARLY**



It was lovely to see most of the children dressed up in wonderful book characters and to celebrate the wonder of story and books on Wednesday. We hope the children were not too appalled at the staff performance of Battle Bunny – no Oscars for us next week!

Lots of children bought books. Some are still reserved and if parents bring in the money to school before Wednesday they can pick up the reservation.

## CAFOD SPONSORED WALK

In a couple of weeks on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March, the children in our school are participating in The Big Lent Walk 2024 for Schools to raise money for The Catholic Agency for Overseas Development (CAFOD)! Children in Years 2 to 6 will be walking around Eaton Park. Children in EYFS and Year 1 will be walking around our school field a few times.

If you would like to sponsor them or indeed share this link on any social media pages you have we would be very grateful.

<https://schools.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/st-francis-of-assis-norwich-big-lent-walk>

## Knowledge Organisers for Spring 2 2024

	Topic	RE	Science	MFL
Year 1	<a href="#">Victorian</a>	New curriculum		
Year 2	<a href="#">Roman Rule and Battling Boudicca</a>	New curriculum		
Year 3	<a href="#">Latitude 51</a>		<a href="#">Light</a>	<a href="#">Spanish</a>
Year 4	<a href="#">Ibn Battuta</a>	<a href="#">Jesus the Saviour</a>	<a href="#">Human Digestion</a>	<a href="#">Spanish</a>
Year 5	<a href="#">Crime and Punishment</a>	<a href="#">Reconciliation</a>	Changes in State	<a href="#">French</a>
Year 6	<a href="#">Democracy</a>	<a href="#">Jesus Son of God</a>	<a href="#">Electricity</a>	<a href="#">French</a>

You may be interested to look at the knowledge organisers for the learning this Spring half term.

## ROCKSTEADY BAND LESSONS

Our lessons started this week on Wednesday and Friday. They are already sounding pretty good.

