

St Francis of Assisi Catholic Primary School



Learning and growing together in God's love

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WEEKLY WHAT'S ON

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ALL

Monday 25th 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 18th June Diversity Day

Wednesday 26th June Sports Day

Saturday 15th June – Heigham Park Centenary

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

**Friday 15th November 2024
Choirs for Change Norwich Citadel 6pm to 8.30 pm**

Reception

Wednesday 4th July Year 1 Teacher Talk 3.30 – 4pm HALL

Year 3

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

**Tuesday 16th April- Reading Workshop in classrooms 2.15 pm
Wednesday 10th July Year 4 Parent Talk Hall 3.45 – 4.15 pm**

Year 4

Thursday 18th April Parents in for learning 2.15pm

Friday 22nd March Dr Conrad Costa the Dentist at 1.30

**Tuesday 26th March Trip to Walsingham
Wednesday 19th June Trip to the Forum**

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

Thursday 4th July Year 5 Parent Talk 3.45 to 4.15 pm HALL

Year 1

Tuesday 19th March Parental Engagement Sewing Workshop

**Tuesday 26th March Multiskills Festival Easton College - Coach 9.45- 12
1L Parents Evening Tuesday 23rd and Wednesday 24th April**

**Thursday 23rd May Year Group Assembly
Monday 8th July Year 2 Parent Talk 3.30 – 4.00 HALL**

Year 5

Wednesday 17th April 5J Dance Show The Space

Friday 24th May 2:30 Year Group Assembly

June – Year 5 Gressenhall Trip coming up

Tuesday 9th July Year 6 Parent Talk 3.45 to 4.15 pm HALL

Thursday 11th July School Disco 6-8pm

Year 2

Thursday 13th June Year Group Assembly 2.30 pm

Friday 5th July Year 3 Parent Talk 3.45 to 4.15 HALL

Year 6

Thursday 11th July School Disco 6-

Friday 12th July Transition Day Notre Dame

Year 6 Production 6.30 pm Tuesday 16th and Wednesday 17th July



CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY NAMES



1L Ally for being a superstar today with his writing.

1PL Rozalia for doing an amazing retelling of The Tin Soldier.

2B: Evie - for excellent levels of grit and resilience in all learning this week, particularly in Reading. Evie has kept trying even when things have been tricky.

Clara - for being superb at spotting and correcting mistakes in maths

2H James and Maya for sticking at their work all this week - with smiles, even when it has been difficult!

3M - Ava S. - for working hard in phonics, Art and her Science. Well done for your concentration and perseverance.

3MD - Gabe - for a very thoughtful RE piece about the Sacrament and for being an excellent Junior Chaplain!

4D Maya C and Elora are stars this week for their fabulous geography work in our topic lesson. They thought about which of Battuta's routes they would like to follow (or not follow!) and gave superb reasons for their choices.

A big **SHOUT OUT** to **Jay-Junior, Mason, Ruby, Sophie, Maya S and Felix** for their wonderful contributions to our guided reading lesson and their performative readings...Mrs Downing was so impressed by your confidence and your expressive reading.

4HD Anolini is a star this week as she is a shining example to her peers for her exemplar behaviour and work ethic - keep being fabulous Anolini!

Emilia is a star for her hard work, her positive 'get it done' attitude and always having a smile on her face. She brightens up the classroom every morning!

5J Ada - for being such a positive, hardworking, reflective and kind member of our class community.

Calvin - for his enthusiasm in every lesson and for always taking feedback in a way that shows his commitment to his learning.

5W Clara - for her excellent work in maths and being willing to share this to support others.

Ethan - for being such a kind boy who is always willing to do his best.

6SW - Daniel for working really hard on forming his sentences in RE and English - well done!

6M - Niko for his effort with writing his warning story.

Learning in school this week

Year 1 This week we read the story of The Steadfast Tin Soldier. We went on to learn the story off by heart alongside actions. This helped us to write our own version of the story using interesting descriptions. We have also been learning about place value in numbers up to 50. We have been thinking about how many tens and ones are in each number.

Year 2 have had a very arty week, creating some wonderfully stormy paintings as part of our learning about Jesus calming the storm in RE. It was lovely to get out for some fresh air on our Lenten walk for Cafod yesterday too. The children showed great energy and exemplary behaviour as we explored Eaton Park!

Year 3 have been completing different investigations in Science around light. Last week we were checking out reflective materials and this week we have been investigating how translucent materials are. The children have been curious scientists and worked methodically.

In **Year 4** this week we have been investigating the digestive system and conducting an experiment with crushed up crackers, coca cola and zip loc plastic bags...we will let your imagination do the rest!!

Year 5 - We are continuing to study the features of newspapers in English; in Maths, we are exploring the world of fractions and in DT, we have been making pop-up cards with a moving part! We enjoyed our Spring walk in Eaton Park raising money for CAFOD

Year 6 have had a wonderful week, beginning their new DT project and focusing on their perspective drawing. In RE we have been looking in depth at the events of Holy Week as we approach Easter.

ST FRANCIS IS A HEALTHY EATING SCHOOL

A reminder that **only fruit and vegetables** are allowed as snacks during break time.

Also, whilst children may want to hand out sweets for their birthdays, they cannot be handed out in school. If parents wish to hand them out in the playground after school that is their choice but teachers cannot be asked to facilitate this job as many parents do not wish their children to have said confectionary or cake.



CAFOD SPONSORED WALK

Thank you to all those who sponsored children in our school for their Big Lent Walk. If you want to add any more money, the link is here.

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



ATTENDANCE

Just a reminder to parents to send their children into school as much as possible. Generally, even when children say they feel a little unwell in the morning, they are fine once in school.

The school day starts at 8.40 for Year 1 to Year 6 children and 9 am for EYFS. Please get your children to school on time so they do not miss early morning work.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR SEPTEMBER 2024 onwards–

A new National Attendance Policy has been issued that will be enforced from August 19th 2024. It has some important changes that you need to be aware of, the main ones being.

- If a pupil who is away for 10 unauthorised sessions (5 days) – note these do not need to be consecutive within 10 weeks - then the School **MUST** issue a Fixed Penalty Notice that will cost **£80 per parent, per child** if paid within 21 days.
- If a pupil misses a further 10 unauthorised sessions within 3 years the school **MUST** issue them a Fixed Penalty Notice which will cost **£160 per parent, per child**.
- A third penalty notice cannot be issued to the same parent in respect of the same child within 3 years of the date of issue of the first. In this case, an alternative action should be taken which will **often include prosecution but may include other attendance legal interventions**.

Absences are unauthorised if a child is late after registration has closed (U)

Absences where no reason for absence has been established or the school is not satisfied that the reason given is one that would be recorded as authorised. (O)

Absences where the school has not granted leave of absence for a holiday. A school cannot grant leave of absence retrospectively if a parent did not apply in advance. (G)