St Francis of Assisi Catholic Primary School

Learning and growing together in God's love

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WEEKLY WHAT'S ON

Issue 5 3rd October 2025

Reception

21 and 22 October Parents Evening in class
9th 2pm and 10th 9.30 am December Nativity Play
Wednesday 4th and Friday 6th February – National Child Measure Programme and Vision and Hearing Tests
2-6th March Mystery Reader week
6th March Potato Parade
4th June Heigham Park Trip am
1st July Welcome to Year 1 3.30 pm Hall

Year 1

PE DAYS TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS
21st and 22nd October Parents Evenings (in class)
9th December Parent Workshop about London 2pm in class
19th March Parent Workshop Victorians 2pm in class
19th May Parent Workshop Plants – 2pm class
29th and 30th June Parents' Evenings
2nd July Welcome to Year 2 3.30 pm Hall
29th and 30th June Parents' Evenings in class
8th July Welcome to Year 3

Year 2

PE DAY – FRIDAY

Friday 10th October Ed the Mini Monster Man in class - pay via WISEPAY £3.18 per child

Wednesday 3rd December Parental Engagement Bug Workshop **2pm**
Wednesday 7th January – Parental Engagement - Timeline Creation **2 pm**
Monday 9th March Trip to Great Yarmouth Tide Museum for Roman event
24th June Parent Workshop 2pm Class

Year 3

PE DAY WEDNESDAY
Thursday 2nd October 3BD Swimming #4
Thursday 9th October Mixed Development League Football Year 3/4 YEAR 3.30-5pm
20th/21st/22nd October Parents Evenings 3.30 onwards in Hall (classroom on Monday)
Thursday 20th November Mixed Development League Football Year 3/4 YEAR 3.30-5pm
Tuesday 9th December Trip to Yarmouth Hippodrome Circus £16.88 to pay on WisePay please
Tuesday 11th November Cross Country Earlham Park am
11th December Parent Workshop 1.45 pm in class
Thursday 11th December Mixed Development League Football Year 3/4 YEAR 3.30-5pm
Mid/end March Circus Skills Performance tbc
8th June Parent Workshop (Reading)
29th and 30th June Parents' Evenings in class
9th July Welcome to Year 4

Year 4

PE DAY – THURSDAY
Thursday 9th October Mixed Development League Football Year 3/4 YEAR 3.30-5pm
21st/22nd October
21st/22nd October Parents Evenings 3.30 onwards in Hall
Monday 3rd November Level 1 Bikeability am
Tuesday 11th November Cross Country Earlham Park am
11th November Parent Workshop 2.30 pm class
Thursday 20th November Mixed Development League Football Year 3/4 YEAR 3.30-5pm
Thursday 11th December Mixed Development League Football Year 3/4 YEAR 3.30-5pm
3rd March Parent Workshop 2.30 pm in Class
9th June Parent Workshop 2.30 pm in class
29th and 30th June Parents' Evenings in class
6th July Welcome to Year 5 3.30 pm

ALL

Monday 6th October 2025 Individual and Sibling School Photo

Monday 13th October – National Cycle to School Week

Friday 17th October PTFA ADULT Quiz and Chips 6.30 pm

Monday 20th October 7 -8.30 pm PTFA Meeting

THURSDAY 23rd October LAST DAY OF HALF TERM.

Friday 24th October FIRST DAY OF HALF TERM HOLIDAY

Monday 3rd November BACK TO SCHOOL

Tuesday 2nd December Norfolk Childrens' Book Centre (Book Sale and workshops)

Thursday 4th December Advent Mass 2pm Hall (change of date)

Friday 12th December Christmas Fayre 3.30 to 5pm

ALL continued ..

6th January Epiphany Mass 2pm Hall

Thursday 5th March WORLD BOOK DAY – children to dress up as book character

Friday 6th March Group Photos and Leavers' Individual Photos

Friday 27th March 2026 1.30 pm Pinnochio Theatre Play in school - please pay on WISEPAY

15th April Easter Mass 2pm Hall

8th July Leavers' Mass 2pm Hall

Year 5

PE Day - MONDAY

Friday 10th October – 1pm Cross Country Sprowston Junior

21st/22nd October Parents Evenings 3.30 onwards in Hall

Mon 4th and Tues 5th November Group 1 Bikeability

Friday 7th November 1pm Cross Country Falcon Junior

Tuesday 11th November Cross Country Earlham Park am

Thursday 13th November Mixed Development League Football Year 5/6 YEAR 3.30-5pm

Tuesday 18th and Wed 19th Group 2 Bikeability

26th November Parent Workshop 2.30 pm in class

Thursday 4th December Mixed Development League Football Year 5/6 YEAR 3.30-5pm

Friday 5th December Cross Country Eaton Park

Thursday 15th January – 5J Dance Show at The Space

Friday 6th March Cross Country Old Catton FINAL

18th March Parent Workshop 2.30 pm in class

29th and 30th June Parents' Evenings in class

1st July Parent Workshop 2.30 pm in class

6th July Welcome to Year 6 3.30 pm Hall

Thursday 9th July 5W Dance Show at The Space

Year 6

PE DAY – TUESDAY

Friday 10th October – 1pm Cross Country Sprowston Junior

21st/22nd October Parents Evenings 3.30 onwards in Hal

Thursday 23 October 2025 National Child Measurement Programme

Friday 7th November 1pm Cross Country Falcon Junior

Thursday 13th November Mixed Development League Football Year 5/6 YEAR 3.30-5pm

Tuesday 11th November Cross Country Earlham Park am

Thursday 13th November Parent Workshop 2.15pm in class

Monday 24th November ULLSWATER TRIP – return Friday 28th November

Thursday 4th December Mixed Development League Football Year 5/6 YEAR 3.30-5pm

Friday 5th December Cross Country Eaton Park

Friday 6th March Cross Country Old Catton FINAL

16th March Parent Workshop 2.15 pm in class

29th and 30th June Parents' Evenings in class

Thursday 2nd July 2026 – New Year 7 Parents Evening

Friday 8th July Leavers' Mass 2pm Hall

Friday 10th July 2026– Year 7 Transition Day

Tuesday 14th July Crucial Crew am

14th and 15th July Year 6 Production 6.30 pm Hall

CELEBRATION NAMES

1PL Ottilie L- for being resilient and trying really hard to sound out words in her writing.
1L Callan - for not giving up and designing an amazing poster all about Norwich.

2B: Sophia and Olivia: For writing some outstanding scientific sentences that were so good they even impressed some Year 6 children. They used specific word choices and used conjunctions to make their sentences grow.
2S: Alfie: Who is just like NED in all his learning but showed this particularly when writing a really thoughtful Psalm this week. Well done on some excellent word choices and deep reflections.

3MD Leja: for her continuous involvement in class discussions and for sharing her ideas with the class
Hector: for his perseverance and for his keenness to write his Viking village description
3BM Maddie for writing a brilliant paragraph full of description about the Viking village market
Jean for always being involved in lessons and contributing her ideas

4H Felipe and Nancy for creating a rich and informative 'Guide to the Norfolk Coast' in Geography, explaining many interesting coastal features.
4D Dylan M: for his spectacular fossil find! Dylan's dedication to the hunt was rewarded with the discovery of an immaculate petoskey stone.
CeCe: From creating a brilliant guide to the coast in class, to bringing the beach home with you after our trip, you have fully embraced Geography this week and your enthusiasm has been contagious! Thank you Cece :)

6HD - Grace is a star this week, for creating a beautifully presented, detailed and informative poster on the 5 Kingdoms of Life. Well done Grace - it was such a pleasure to read!

6SW - Somma is a star this week for working really hard in Maths, and showing her workings clearly in her book. She is always willing to share her ideas with others in class - keep up the hard work Somma!

LEARNING THIS WEEK

Year 1 In Year 1 we have been thinking about equal groups and not equal groups, using the language of fewer, more, greater than and less than. We created amazing posters all about Norwich, taking time to carefully draw landmarks such as Norwich Castle and The Forum and writing about what we could do or see there. We also talked about how we are all a gift from God and how our families show they love and care for us. We had great fun pulling objects out of a bag and guessing how they could be used to show love and care. We continued to enjoy learning the song ' London Bridge is Falling Down' and had a wonderful time on St Francis of Assisi day, making clay birds and feathers.

Year 2 This week, Year 2 was introduced to the cunning, fearless hero Kwaku Anansi from Ashanti folktales. They loved re-enacting and reflecting upon a story involving his six sons and may even wish to retell it to you this weekend! We also extended our art study on watercolours to create some superb insects on St Francis of Assisi day.

Year 3 This week, Year 3 have been working scientifically. They have been checking up on their Sunflower Seed experiment (do seeds need space?) and their dyed celery (how is water transported in plants?). We have added our next investigation - do plants need soil to germinate? We scattered cress seeds across a damp tissue and will monitor the seed's progress. Watch this space for exciting updates!

Year 4 Oh we do like to be beside the seaside! Year 4 had a wonderful time at West Runton this week, exploring the coastline and spotting the many features we have been learning all about in school. We found fossils, saw much evidence of coastal erosion, created art with beach finds and observed measures that have been put in place there to prevent further erosion. Children behaved excellently and were full of enthusiasm for follow-up work about our topic!

Year 5 What a wonderful week at Whitwell . More to follow next week, including shared photos.

Year 6 This week, Year 6 finished their science posters and have shown an excellent understanding of the 5 Kingdoms of Life. It was lovely to see so many parents attend our Ullswater meeting on Tuesday; we are busy behind the scenes making final preparations and arrangements.

Pupil Premium eligibility

If you think your child might be eligible for pupil premium funding, please get in contact with Claire Furness deputy@st-francisofassisi.norfolk.sch.uk

For Music Lessons, the Norfolk Music Service pay half the cost and do not charge for instrument hire and school will pay half of the rest eg the cost is ¼ of the full price for children who receive this funding. Please do make use of this amazing reduction in cost.

PARENTS EVENINGS – Tuesday 21st and Wednesday 22nd October

These meetings are now ready to book on WisePay. It is so good for the teachers to get an opportunity to meet with parents at the beginning of the new school year so both parties can share success and any targets that need working on. We encourage all parents to attend.

If your child spends time in The Nest, please book meetings with the class teacher. Miss Betts will be in The Nest both days for parents to speak to her before or after their appointment.

Please note 5W meetings are on Monday and Tuesday instead of Tuesday and Wednesday so if there is a sibling, please book for Tuesday.

Meetings for EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 will be held in the classrooms.

Meetings for Years 3,4 5 and 6 will be held in the Hall. Class 3BM also have a meeting on Monday for some parents which will be held in their classroom.

On both days the classrooms will be open so parents/carers can look at books etc.

BREAKFAST CLUB AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

The costs for these clubs went up in September.

Breakfast Club from 7.40 am £6 or from 8.10 £3.50

After School Club £12 to 6pm £5.50 for 1 hr and £3.50 to 4pm

QR Code for Year 5 only parents to book their child onto the Level 2 Bikeability course

: https://consent.bikeability.org.uk/cause-its-row

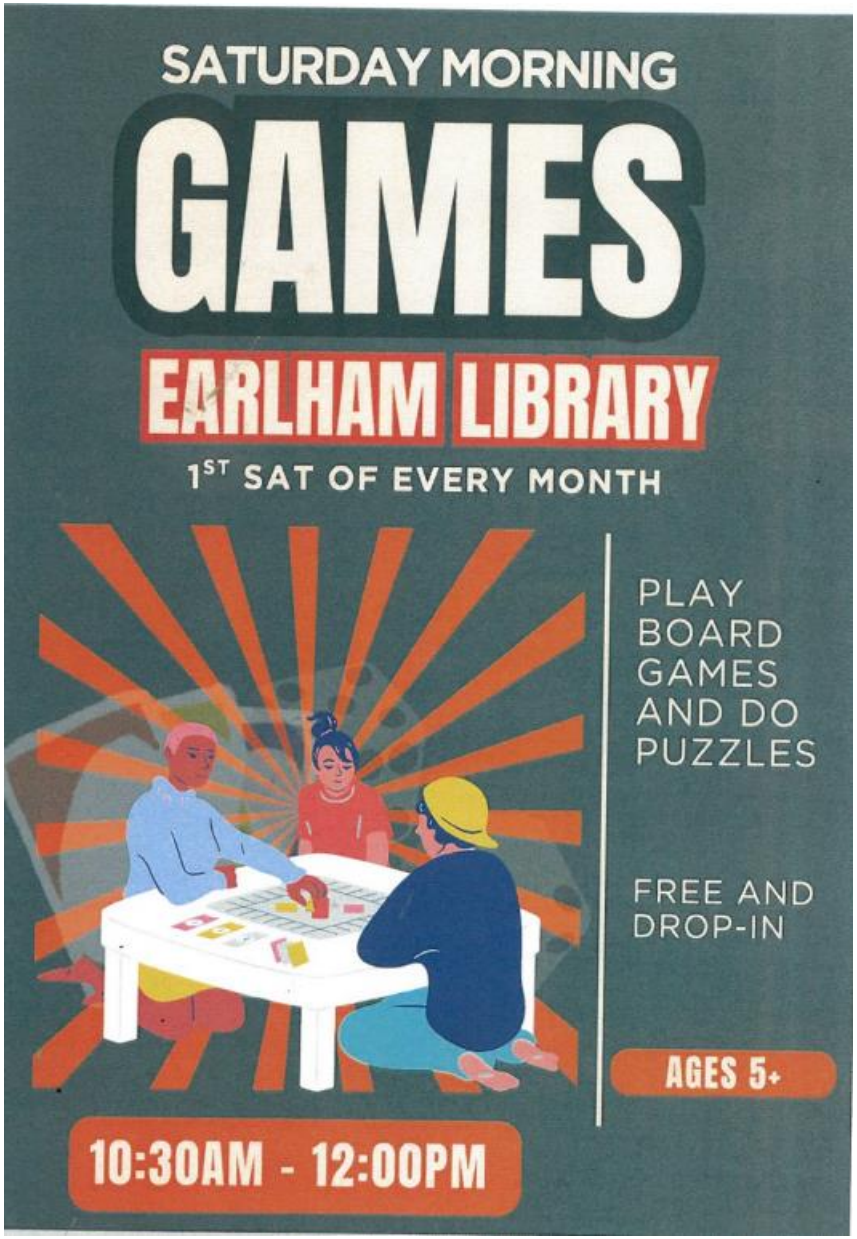
QR Code for Year 4 only Parents to book their child onto the Level 1 Bikeability course URL: https://consent.bikeability.org.uk/nay-dub-motor

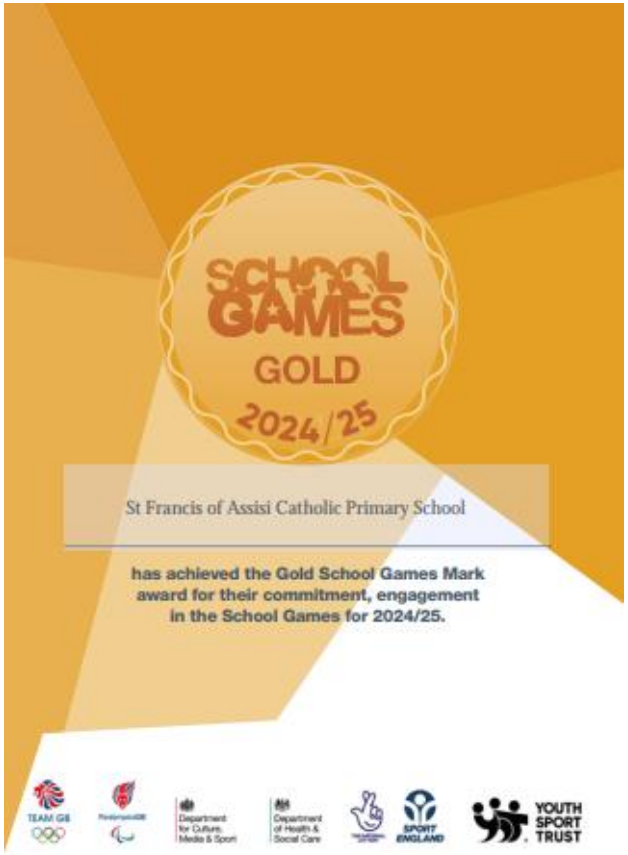




Gold School Games - Sportsmark Award

We are delighted to have achieved this award. Thank you to Mrs Bailey who led Sports last year and made all of this happen. We are lucky that Mrs Donato will carry on leading Sport in our school and with the help of Mr Curtis and Mr Proctor we want the sports offer to go from strength to strength.





Norwich School Sports Partnership Football League

Year 5 and 6

Well done to both the Year 5 and Year 5 Football Mixed League Teams who played their first of three nights of matches at the UEA last night.

They all did very well and won or draw their matches.

A great start.