St Francis of Assisi Catholic Primary School

Learning and growing together in God's love

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WEEKLY WHAT'S ON

Issue 6 10th 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

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 16th October 3BD Swimming #6 LAST session
Thursday 23rd October 3MD Swimming #1
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
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 13th October – National Cycle to School Week

PTFA Meeting Monday 20th October 7 pm

Friday 17th October PTFA ADULT Quiz and Pizza 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

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

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 Harrison - - for trying his best and spotting his mistakes when writing about "The Three Little Pigs".
1L Margot is getting a NED award this week for working so hard with her handwriting this week
2B: Margot - Margot worked really hard in her writing this week, explaining clearly how she might fix sentences that had been caught in the 'and then' tornado!
2S: Abidesh - for outstanding learning behaviours all week and supporting others around him to do the same.
3MD Ariella - for her enthusiasm in Writing and for her independent work and ideas **Regen** - for her careful handwriting, her brilliant listening skills and her wonderful effort
3BM Faron and Alaina for fantastic debating in our History lesson this week! You both showed excellent listening skills, listening and responding to the opposing side's point of view.
Oskar for brilliant listening and contributing well to class discussions.
4H Keira for working so independently on her beach trip recount.
Natalie for her beautiful watercolour painting for her coastlines guidebook.
4DLucian for working so hard on his beach trip recount.
James for sharing his excellent knowledge on the human digestive system.
Year 5 All the children were amazing at Whitwell: resilient, positive, kind and ready to learn new skills. However, we want to give a special mention (and the Whitwell Awards) to the following children who went the extra mile to make Whitwell such a special experience. **5J – Sibby, Huxley, Maria and Michael** **5W – Daniel, Dawid, Elijah and Andrea**
6HD - Zoe is a star this week for her amazing knowledge of Linnaeus' classification system. She went on to create a fantastic set of classification cards for her science book. Well done Zoe!
Oscar is a star for the wonderful agamograph that he made on St Francis Of Assisi Day. He used the icon of the school's values and transferred it precisely and beautifully onto his agamograph. Great work Oscar!
6SW - Leon is a star for working exceptionally hard and always being willing to learn. He listens carefully to everything and this shows through the high quality work that he produces - well done Leon!
Lilly-Faith is a star for always being ready, listening carefully in class and always trying her best. We have been extremely pleased with the effort she has been putting into all her work - well done Lilly-Faith!

LEARNING THIS WEEK

Year 1 This week in Year 1 we have been thinking about how we can pray to God. We have all been given our own school prayer book which we keep in our trays. We have started to decorate these carefully and have made them look beautiful. We also learned the first part of the 'Our Father' prayer. In Maths we played lots of games to see if we could order numbers from smallest to greatest. We also used the Mathematical signs for equal to, more than and less than. In writing we wrote about how we care for our families, we also wrote the start of the Three Little Pig story adding our ideas and making our writing grow.
Year 2 has been working hard on pictograms about minibeasts this week, learning how we can represent and interpret the data that we find here. Minibeast also featured in the highlight of our week - the visit of Ed the Mini Monster Man! We had a great time handling and learning about all the creatures he showed us.
Year 3 In English Year 3 has begun a new focus in writing - non-chronological reports about Monsters. We have begun by looking at the features that non-chron reports have in commnet, then using this as a base for our own reports later on in the term.
Year 4 This week in Year 4, we have been reflecting in RE on how Abraham showed the virtues of Faith, Hope and Love - we have been considering how these virtues affect our daily lives and guide our choices. We have even been learning about the amazing Saint Martin De Porres who exemplified these virtues in every day of his difficult life, back in the 16th century. In Maths we have been applying our understanding of place value to solve problems involving rounding, and we are beginning to investigate strategies for adding and subtracting across tens and hundreds.
Year 5 In Topic, Year 5 have been learning how to read and plot four figure grid references on maps. In maths, the children have been looking at how to solve word problems using their column addition and subtraction skills. After having such a wonderful week away at Whitwell, we have been writing thank-you letters in English to all the staff who run the Activity Centre there. In RE, we have been looking at the New Commandment which Jesus taught us and reflecting on how we can put this into practice in our everyday lives. In Science, we are learning about how some plants reproduce asexually.
Year 6 thoroughly enjoyed St Francis Of Assisi day where we created angelic feathers and made agamographs. We also wrote a prayer of thanks for the nature around us and all the animals following St Francis of Assisi's example. In Science, we made our own set of Linnaeus classification cards and in Topic, we created climate graphs using data we had collected over the previous week.

PTFA Annual General Meeting

Please try to join the PTFA meeting on Monday 20th October at 7pm. The Dining room at St Francis of Assisi. We need people to join the PTFA and take on the roles of Chair, Treasurer and Secretary to keep this charity going.

LANGUAGE OF THE MONTH – PHILLIPINES – Filipino Tagalog

Filipino – if you are part of this culture, please do come and feel confident talking to the school, you are very welcome to join us.

PARENTS EVENINGS – Tuesday 21st and Wednesday 22nd October

These meetings are available 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.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

October is Black History month and to celebrate and highlight this important time, each year group will learn about a different, inspirational black person. After learning about their life and work, the children will all create a piece of work or art all about them. A selection of work will then form a display in the corridor called 'Hallway of Heroes' where we can honour and recognise eight different talented and transformative people. The designated people for each year group to learn about are:

EYFS - Simone Biles and Usain Bolt
Year 1 - Martin Luther King Jr
Year 2 - Rosa Parks
Year 3 - Katherine Johnson
Year 4 - Mae Jemison
Year 5 - Nelson Mandela
Year 6 - Marcus Rashford.

It would be wonderful if you could talk to your child or children about the people they have been learning about. Stay tuned for a photo of the display at the end of the month!
Mrs Palmer

Sports Partnership Football League

Year 3 and 4



Well done to both the Year 3 and Year 4 Football Mixed League Teams who played their first of three nights of matches at the UEA last night.

They all did very well: Year 3 won 3-0 then lost 0-3 (although the second match was against older children) The year 4 won 4-0.

A great start to the league tournament.

Thank you to Mr Curtis and Mrs Donato for accompanying them.

NPSAA Cross Country at Sprowston Junior #1 of 6



Later today Ray, Grave, Holly, Iris, Esther, Thea, Zach, Oliver, Elio, Daniel, Pablo and Gabriel will be representing our school in the first of the 6 events this year. Good luck

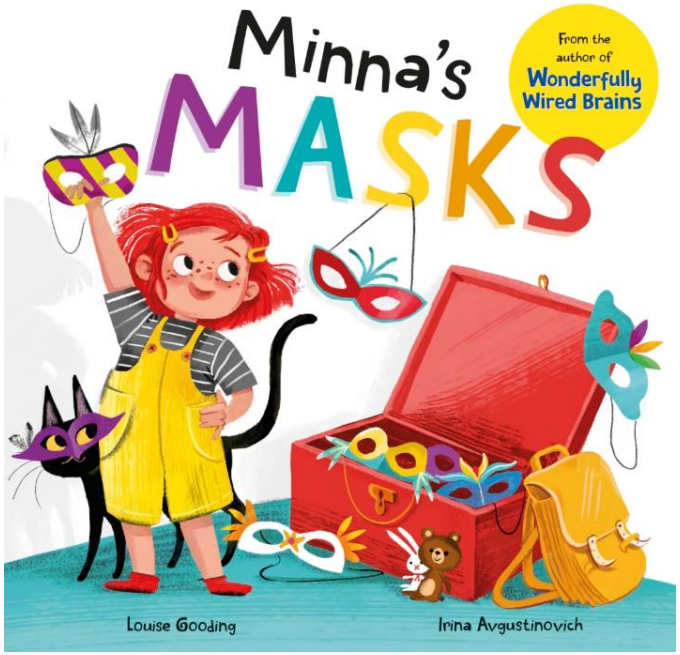
House Captains

The Year 6 pupils voted in each house for their representatives for the year:

St Giles	Oliver	Captain
	Emilia	Vice Captain
St Benedicts	Lilly-Faith	Captain
	Elora	Vice-Captain
St Stephen	Zara	Captain
	Sophie	Vice Captain
St Augustine	Rory	Captain
	Zach	Vice Captain

Reading Experiences at Home and in School

Congratulations to Year 1 and Year 2 who have won the author visit next Thursday. Signed copies of the book that will be shared are available to pre-order via WisePay.



Dear Parents,

We're excited to invite you to our School Quiz on Thursday, 17 October.

Please register and place your order using this form: https://forms.gle/my3zHVLj8BJ9TkWy5

All event details (time, venue, pricing, team sizes, and ordering options) can be found in the form. If you have any questions, please email the PTFA at ptfa.stfrancis@yahoo.co.uk.

Thank you for your support—we look forward to seeing you there!



