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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Reception

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

Monday 23rd February Gressenhall Trip - WISEPAY OPEN FOR PAYMENT

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 2

Year 2

PE DAY – FRIDAY

Monday 9th March Trip to Great Yarmouth Tide Museum for Roman event

Friday 13th March – Attending Cathedral Mass 10 am

24th June Parent Workshop 2pm Class

Year 3

PE DAY WEDNESDAY

Friday 13th March – Attending Cathedral Mass 10 am
Thursday 26th March Circus Skills Performance Parents invited – 3BM 11.30 am 3BM 2.30 pm
8th June Parent Workshop (Reading)
Monday 22nd June 3.30 pm City Sports Field events SPORTSPARK
Tuesday 23rd June 1pm – 5pm City Sports Track events SPORTSPARK
Wednesday 24th June 2pm – 5pm City Sports Track events FINAL Sportspark

29th and 30th June Parents' Evenings in class
9th July Welcome to Year 4

Year 4

PE DAY – THURSDAY

3rd March Parent Workshop 2.30 pm in Class
Tuesday 24th March Sports Leaders Training

Monday 22nd June 3.30 pm City Sports Field events SPORTSPARK
Tuesday 23rd June 1pm – 5pm City Sports Track events SPORTSPARK
Wednesday 24th June 2pm – 5pm City Sports Track events FINAL Sportspark
Friday 26th June KENTWELL HALL TRIP
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

Year 5 Bikeability Classes - Monday 27th to Friday 2nd October

Mon 2nd Nov - Wed 4th Nov - Year 5 residential to Norfolk Lakes -

ALL

Monday 23rd February RETURN TO SCHOOL

Tuesday 24th February CHOIR at (Yr 4,5 and 6) The 02 for Young Voices Concert

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

Friday 6th March Group Photos and Leavers' Individual Photos

Wednesday 18th March – The Big Lent Walk – Eaton Park

Friday 20th March Pupil REPORTS to PARENTS

Friday 20th March CHOIR at The King's Centre 8.30 to 12 Norfolk Music Festival (drop off at SJB Cathedral Café by 9 am) CANCELLED

Friday 20th March Rocksteady Concert 2pm (families of Rocksteady students invited)

Friday 27th March 2026 1.30 pm Pinnochio Theatre Play in school - please pay on WISEPAY 15th April Easter Mass 2pm HallThursday 23rd April CHOIR at St Peter Mancroft

ALL continued ..

Friday 19th June SUMMER FAYRE 3pm to 6pm

Thursday 25th June SPORTS DAY – ALL am and KS2 races pm

Friday 3rd July 1.30 pm Rocksteady Concert and Music Concert (parents of Rocksteady and Children who play instruments in or out of school invited as audience

8th July Leavers' Mass 2pm Hall

Thursday 16th July am TALENT SHOW

New Academic Year

Tuesday 29th September 2026

The Nest Pupils

Monday 16th March Commonwealth Games-themed Inclusive Sports Festival – City Academy - walk or car

Year 5

PE Day - MONDAY

Friday 6th March Cross Country Horsford Primary FINAL
Thursday 12th March Year 5 10 am Cathedral Mass -

18th March Parent Workshop 2.30 pm in class
Tuesday 24th March Sports Leaders Training
Monday 15th June Gressenhall Trip – payment via WISEPAY
Monday 22nd June 3.30 pm City Sports Field events SPORTSPARK
Tuesday 23rd June 1pm – 5pm City Sports Track events SPORTSPARK
Wednesday 24th June 2pm – 5pm City Sports Track events FINAL Sportspark

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 6th March Cross Country Horsford Primary FINAL
16th March Parent Workshop 2.15 pm in class
Monday 22nd June 3.30 pm City Sports Field events SPORTSPARK
Tuesday 23rd June 1pm – 5pm City Sports Track events SPORTSPARK
Wednesday 24th June 2pm – 5pm City Sports Track events FINAL Sportspark

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
Friday 17th July Year 6 Leaver's Assembly

CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENT

1PL Laurie for being like NED and be resilient about his learning.
1L Eliana for drawing amazing pictures of the Stone Age on her poster.

2S Hazel, for truly incredible writing in the role of a Celtic warrior chef! You fully immersed yourself in the experience and used a wonderful author's voice. Well done!
2B Matilda: For superb thoughtful writing in RE, working hard to imagine how onlookers would have reacted to Jesus' miracles.
3BM Jean, Saverio and Lukas for their fantastic character description paragraphs this week. You thought carefully about the adjectives you used and included similes. Great work!
3MD Viviana: for an excellent start to her descriptive paragraph about her Norse Frost Giant. Well done for your variety of ideas!
4D Dylan T - for working incredibly hard in English to ensure your Narnia description was of the highest quality and beautifully presented. We are so impressed! **Jessica** - for always being an 'on task' superstar! Your hardwork does not go unnoticed :)
4H Emily and Chris for trying hard and acting on advice at swimming even though it was tricky.
5W Joseph M for continuing to work hard especially in maths. This hard work means that he is more accurate in arithmetic and deepening his understanding with maths reasoning problems
5W Elio for such a positive attitude to all his work. His Wild Woods writing was lovely to read and he focused well to ensure that it was well punctuated.
5J Frank For his determination to do his best with his work and for being so kind and caring to those who need his help and support.
5J William for his kindness to others and for his resilience and determination when trying something new and challenging.
6HD: Joseph is a star this week for his effort and contribution to our topic lessons. He is always engaged and is clearly interested in our history topic. It is wonderful to see this - well done Joseph!
6SW: Isobel is a star this week for her super effort in writing where she has clearly tried to incorporate a range of punctuation and features resulting in some great work! Keep it up Isobel!

LEARNING THIS WEEK

Year 1 This week in Year 1 we have been learning how to add two digit numbers and a single digit number together and have been using our number bonds within 10 to help us. We also designed Stone Age posters and included how people hunted, cooked, dressed and ate. In Science we have thought about how ice melts and even got to hold a piece of ice and watch it melt.

Year 2 have turned their classrooms into Iron Age settlements this week but there was trouble. A Roman military camp set up near our settlement and we as a tribe decided what should be done about it! In maths we have been learning about multiplication, or groups of objects. The children have worked hard to show their thinking in pictures and in numbers

Year 3 This week Year 3 have continued their learning on multiplication and they are becoming more confident with using a preferred method to solve a two digit number multiplied by a one digit number. In writing, the children wrote a character description for their mythical viking character. They were challenged to include similes and direct speech. After half term, the children will be using animation on iPads to create a short film of their viking mythical land.

Year 4 In Maths, Year 4 have been building our confidence by multiplying and dividing numbers by 10 and 100. In English, we put our critical thinking skills to the test by writing thoughtful and engaging book reviews. In Science, we continued exploring the fascinating world of space and investigated the Moon and how we see it on Earth.

Year 5 This week, in Maths, we have been continuing with our work on fractions. In English, we have finished our writing, 'The Wild Woods'. In RE, we have responded to the Transfiguration through art. In Science, we have completed our thermal insulator experiment and enjoyed ice lollies on a very cold day! We have also been preparing for our 'Crime and Punishment' topic by exploring what Britain was like before the Romans invaded

Year 6 In English we are enjoying a 'free write' topic where we are encouraging the children to be creative and to use their SPaG targets. Topic continues with the English Civil War and learning about the Cavaliers and the Roundheads. In RE, we are researching one of the seven sacraments of our choice and creating a book through Book Creator.

Formula 1 in Schools – Regional Competition

On Thursday 29th January, a mix of Year 5 and Year 6 pupils headed off to Sprowston Junior School for the Regionals Competition for the Formula 1 in School. We had five teams out of a total of fourteen representing St Francis of Assisi and there was lots to compete for!

Our Five teams were:-

Squid Kids (Isobel, Zach, Oliver, Jack and Frank)

Peregrine Falcons (Thea, Esther, Andrea, Sophia and Isabelle)

Rocket Racers (Huxley, Gabe, Laurie, Edan and Lelan)

Lunar Lightning (Matilda, Kayla-Imani, Rose, Olivia and Imogen)

Firework Flyers (Ruby, Matylda, Zuzanna, Zara, SK and Betsy)

We had various successful little wins – best presentation (Lunar Lightning), best pit display AND marketing and sponsorship (Firework Flyers) Team Identity (Squid Kids)

The children were all excellent ambassadors of the school and showed great sporting behaviour towards all the other competing teams.

Despite not finishing in the top three this year, we were lucky enough to have a team qualify for the finals in Rotherham in March. A big well done to….Lunar Lightning! We head up North in March!



VALUE OF THE MONTH - Truthfulness

The Value Assemblies in February are:
Truthfulness – Being Authentic to Yourself
Truthfulness – Keeping Promises
Truthfulness – Admitting Your Mistakes

MUSIC OF THE MONTH

In Friday Singing Assemblies across February we are listening to peaceful music with voices being the main instrument:

Allegri | Miserere mei deus
Samuel Barber – Agnus Dei
Thomas Tallis Te lucis ante terminum
Ēriks Ešenvalds - Only in Sleep
Hymns – Share the Light, I am Special and There is Someone by Bernadette Farrell; Colours of Day and Father In My Life I see

OUTSIDE SUPPORT

For client hardship, food parcels and financial support/debt worries
https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/article/41087/Contact-Family-Hubs

Any concerns /worries about a child or immediate family support
Children's Advice and Duty Service (CADS) Norfolk County Council | Norfolk Community Directory

General health for children and families
Health Advice & Support for Children & Families

Domestic Violence support
Leeway Domestic Violence and Abuse Services

https://norfolkchurchestrust.org.uk/norfolk-primary-school-art-competition-2026/



We've loved bringing circus into St. Francis again and seeing students grow in confidence, creativity, and physical skills through our sessions. It's been brilliant to watch them challenge themselves, support each other, and discover how much fun circus can be.

If your child has enjoyed their circus sessions in school or has been hearing about them from their friends, and would like to do more, they can join us this February half-term at **The Oak Circus Centre**.

Our **Half-Term Holiday Circus Classes run 16th – 19th February, 10am – 2pm**, for ages **6 – 16 years**. These longer sessions give students the chance to try a wide range of circus skills, build confidence, and dive deeper into the fun, playful, and physical world of circus.

For more information and bookings, visit: **https://theoakcircuscentre.org**



After School Tennis Club

National Tennis Association have been delivering tennis coaching at schools in Norfolk since 2004. The after school sessions are a great introduction to the game and many of the county's most successful players started in our after school clubs.

In after school club sessions pupils will develop footwork, coordination, ball and racket skills working through a structured curriculum.

St Francis After School Tennis Club Details

Thursdays- 5 weeks (26 Feb - 26 Mar)
Year 1-3
3:25 - 4:10pm
Cost - £30

How to Enrol?
For more information and booking please click or visit the below link.

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER

These sessions fill up very quickly therefore it is important to book your place quickly, we operate a first come, first serve basis.

Once you have booked on our website you will receive a confirmation of your place.

If you have any questions regarding the tennis club please contact us:

email: schools@nationaltennis.org.uk



SWIFT LUNCHES

You can order lunches for next half term on SWIFT as of today.

Any money left in your SELECT account after today will be refunded to your bank account.



Premier Sports After School Clubs

These are £6 a session for Year 1 to Year 6 pupils.

Monday After School Football Club – Premier Education
Tuesday After School Dodgeball Club – Premier Education
Wednesday After School Gymnastics Club – Premier Education

Friday - After School Archery Club – Premier Education