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

4th June Heigham Park Trip am
1st July Welcome to Year 1 3.30 pm Hall

Year 1

PE DAYS TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS

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 3MD 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

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

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

Friday 20th March Pupil REPORTS to PARENTS

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

Thursday 26th March EASTER TOMBOLA end of school day in the playground (weather permitting)

Friday 27th March 2026 1.30 pm Pinocchio Theatre Play in school - please pay on £2.35 per child on WISEPAY unless Pupil Premium funded

15th April Easter Mass 2pm Hall

Thursday 23rd April CHOIR at St Peter Mancroft Church performing in CASMA Rehearsal 4pm Performance 7pm

Friday 12th June – Day of Welcome – School of Sanctuary

Friday 19th June SUMMER FAYRE 3pm to 6pm

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

ALL continued ..

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 Individual

The Nest Pupils

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

Wednesday 25th March 2.45 pm Fashion Show Parental Engagement

Year 5

PE Day - MONDAY

Thursday 12th March Year 5 10 am Cathedral Mass -

18th March Parent Workshop 2.30 pm in class

Friday 1st May Sports Leaders Training (CHANGE OF DATE – APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE TO FILL IN)

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

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 Millie - for a great attitude to all her learning and trying so hard to be an independent writer.

1L for Michelle for working super hard in phonics to blend word with Phase 5 sounds.

2B: Jan - Excellent work in recognising significant details in religious art work**. Elena** - For thoughtful reflections during RE this week. She thought deeply to consider the changing emotions of Jesus and the reasons behind these.

2SBFlorence- for your truly incredible writing in role as a member of a Celtic tribe. We were all impressed by your thoughtful and funny descriptions. Well done!

3MD Sienna: for a beautifully explained story to the Year 2 children.

Kit and Arthur: for their paired work in Computing

Dominik: for his hard work and excellent learning behaviour in Phonics

3BM Freya for always being a kind and caring friend to all, we are very lucky to have her in our class!

Penelope and Gabriel for their fantastic creativity when creating their stop motion videos in Computing this week

4D Maria for working really hard and putting her hand up.

Till for teaching us extra facts about invertebrates in science this week.

4H Dylan for working hard - in English on verbs and adverbs and Science for helping others by sharing his knowledge.

Lily for being involved in her learning by acting on feedback.

5W - Panashe and Harper – for working hard in maths on equivalent fractions. They listen carefully in class, are always prepared to learn from their mistakes and work well as a team supporting each other. Well done girls!

5J Frank for his engagement, determination and enthusiasm for all class reading lessons. **5J Sibylle** for her positive attitude towards all her learning and challenges, and for being so kind and supportive to others.

6HD: Nuvee, Ella and **Rose** are all stars this week for their wonderful responses in RE. They demonstrated deeper thinking and could apply modern day life to the Anointing at Bethany. Their work was a pleasure to read and they should be proud of their effort.

6SW: Fergus is a star for super input in Reading and RE and making some really good connections. He showed awareness of language and asked some insightful questions.

LEARNING THIS WEEK

Year 1 We have been busy this week in Year 1. In R.E we have written the story of Palm Sunday in our own words and also thought about ways in which we could show compassion. In Maths we have been using our knowledge of number bonds to solve other calculations e.g . 8-2=6 so 18-2=16. In History we played guess the object game and also sorted old and new toys.

Year 2 has been going mosaic mad in preparation for our trip next week. The children have designed and started to create these and will finish them up on Thursday. We also have begun to learn Boudicca songs in music, inspired by our work on Celts. Apologies if these have been played on repeat at home! With music in mind, we also wanted to share Maths with Miss Shu, an educational Youtube channel curated by our very own Mrs Stevenson-Burley. The songs are superb and have been a feature of our maths lessons for some time so we are excited to support her! They are well worth a look!

Year 3 This week the children finished their Stop Motion films that they have been working on for two weeks. They showcased their films to the year 2 children and thoroughly enjoyed sharing their fantastic work. Year 2 were SO impressed and we are so very proud of them. This project has now come to an end and from next week, we will be moving our learning onto writing non-chronological reports on Planets.

Year 4 We were delighted to welcome so many lovely family members into our classrooms this week for our history workshop. It was a jam-packed buzz of creativity and some wonderful family coat of arms were invented! The children loved leading the learning about the symbolism of all the interesting features they have too. We were lucky to walk to mass at St John's cathedral which was a special opportunity. Then had another exciting day dressed in our book character costumes and enjoyed some fun activities relating to Podkin, our current class reader.

Year 5 This week, in Maths, we have continued with our work on finding equivalent fractions. In RE, we have looked at what happens to our relationship with God when we do something wrong and how we can ask Mary to help us untangle these 'knots'. In Science, we have revised the three states of matter and the water cycle. We were amazed to discover that dinosaurs have actually drunk the water which we drink today! Topic has seen us explore life in Anglo-Saxon Britain in preparation for some descriptive writing which we will do next week.

Year 6 In RE we have been learning about the Anointing at Bethany and the Washing of the Feet at the Last Supper. We were very proud of Year 6 when we visited the Cathedral last week to attend Mass. They were great ambassadors for our school. In Topic, we continue to learn about the consequences of the English Civil War and the children were great actors when they brought the trial to life in the classroom.

m&m theatrical productions

This Theatre Company are performing the well-known story of Pinocchio (linked beautifully with February's value of Truthfulness) on Friday 27th March 2026.

There are still some outstanding payments. Can you please pay £2.35 per child on WisePay for this production today.

Children eligible for pupil premium funding will be paid for by the school.



Pinocchio, is an 1883 children's fantasy novel by Italian author Carlo Collodi.

It is about the mischievous adventures of an animated marionette (puppet) named Pinocchio who faces many perils and temptations, meets characters who teach him about life, and learns goodness before he achieves his heart's desire to become a real boy.

LANGUAGE OF THE MONTH (MARCH)

Danish – We will be celebrating this language and culture throughout March. We already have one generous parent who will be joining us in an Assembly but if any more would like to share, please get in contact with Mrs Furness.

MUSIC OF THE MONTH

In Friday Singing Assemblies across February and March 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 –

He is Lord
Lord of the Dance Be Still for the Presence of the Lord

VALUE ASSEMBLY

This month the Value is **Compassion:**

The Assembly themese are:

Compassion for ourselves

Compassion – to listen without judgement

Cmpassion – to perform small acts of kindness

Catholic Social Teaching – The Common Good



Now that we are in Lent, we want to inform you that we are participating in CAFOD's Big Lent Walk again this year, on 18th March. More information will go home with the children nearer the time, with a sponsor form and envelope for donations. However, this year we would like to encourage people to make donations online, using this QR code. Many thanks for your generosity

Scan the QR code to donate

CAFOD A better world needs all of us

Young Interpreters

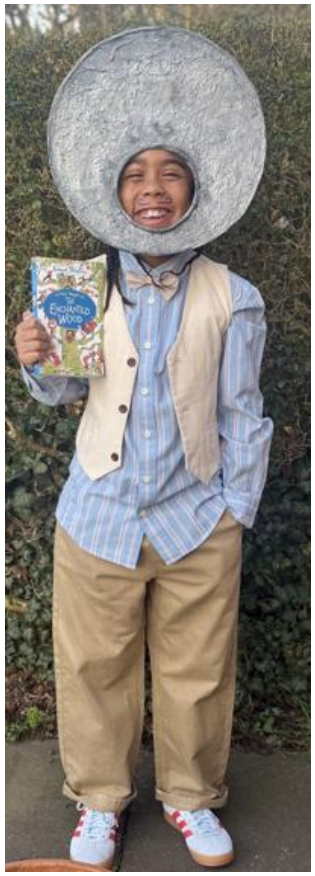
The children below have completed 4 hours of training and are now ready to support other pupils
The buddies that have a specialist language are as follows:
Dawid - Polish
Sibylle - French
Sophie Malayam
Isabelle - Hindi
Ava - Ghanaian
Edan - Tagalog
Sofia - Spanish & German

We also have 3 children who were selected with no additional language skills but are very empathetic:
Daniel, Pippa & Michael

WORLD BOOK DAY

Every child received a World Book Day voucher that gives them £1 off a book or they can purchase a special edition £1 World Book Day publication.

The children all looked magnificent and we enjoyed a lovely whole school Assembly with the teachers reading The Diddle that Dummed by Kes Gray.



Some stand out costumes were:

The Tiger Who Came to Tea,

The Very Hungry Caterpillar,

Sherlock Holmes

The Artful Dodger,

Bilbo Baggins,

Mr Tickle.

Red Riding Hood and her Wolf,

and some impressive Harry Potters and other Hogwarts pupils