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

24th June Parent Workshop 2pm Class

Year 3

PE DAY WEDNESDAY

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
Thursday 25th June 1.30– 5pm City Sports Track events FINAL Sportspark

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

Thursday 25th February 2027 Olly Day Workshop Road Safety

Year 4

PE DAY – THURSDAY
Thursday 26th March Swimming #5
Monday 22nd June 3.30 pm City Sports Field events SPORTSPARK
Tuesday 23rd June 1pm – 5pm City Sports Track events SPORTSPARK
Thursday 25th June 1.30 – 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 –

Thursday 25th February 2027 Olly Day Workshop Road Safety

ALL

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 Photos

Friday 5th March 2027 Class Photos

The Nest Pupils

Wednesday 25th March 2.45 pm Fashion Show Parental Engagement

Tuesday 19th May Panathlon Bowling 12.10 to 1.45 Namco Bowling, Bowthorpe Year 5/6)

Year 5

PE Day - MONDAY

Wednesday 15th April Netball League 3.30 to 5.15 City Academy

Wednesday 29th April Netball League 3.30 to 5.15 City Academy

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

Wednesday 10th June Netball League 3.30 to 5.15 City Academy

Monday 15th June Gressenhall Trip – payment via WISEPAY

Monday 22nd June 3.30 pm City Sports Field events SPORTSPARK
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Thursday 25th June 1.30 – 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

Year 6

PE DAY – TUESDAY

Wednesday 15th April Netball League 3.30 to 5.15 City Academy

Wednesday 29th April Netball League 3.30 to 5.15 City Academy

Wednesday 20th May Netball League 3.30 to 5.15 City Academy

Wednesday 10th June Netball League 3.30 to 5.15 City Academy

Monday 22nd June 3.30 pm City Sports Field events SPORTSPARK
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Thursday 25th June 130 pm – 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 Kayra - for trying her best and writing a fabulous Victorian diary entry.

1L Maria Esther - for having a great work ethic, always trying her best and not giving up!

2B Aylin: For outstanding independence in mathematics and writing this week! She also was part of a group who practiced and rehearsed a brilliant performance of a battle speech.

2S Alex M- for incredible reading, writing and maths! You have tried so hard in all of your lessons this week, and you helped us all when we were building arrays by describing them as 'shape shifters'. Well done!

3MD Alex D - for being an excellent ambassador in Science, sharing how to convert data into a bar chart.

3BM **Marcie and Mati** participated with great enthusiasm and shared a variety of ideas of how Eaton Park is used in different ways during our walk this week.

Edward worked hard in Science this week, identifying which materials were most reflective. Well done for your hard work Edward

4H **Lily** for working hard independently on her reading comprehension.

Harrison for working amazingly hard so independently in every lesson.

4D **Evie and Elizabeth** for working hard researching Podkin's character for a non-chronological report.

5W Florence – For her beautiful piece of illuminated lettering artwork – so detailed!

5W Eden – For being such a kind, thoughtful and considerate classmate – 5W wouldn't be the same without you!

5J Ezra – You are making an excellent effort with your writing. I loved the suspense of your Anglo-Saxon crime story.

5J – Carmen – You are so engaged in your learning, always positive and deep-thinking. You are also a lovely friend to all.

Year 6 Congratulations to **Hollie** and **Emilia** who won the Stations of the Cross art competition in our Year 6 classes.

Mia and **Nuvee** are stars this week as they always work incredibly hard, are focussed on their targets and it is evident that they always want to do really well. They are role models for their peers and it is a pleasure to have them in our classes.

LEARNING THIS WEEK

Year 1 have been learning that one ten is made from ten ones, and that this doesn't change as we get into bigger multiples of ten. We have also been practising counting numbers beyond 20 by first counting the tens and then how many ones are left. We thought about all the things Victorian children might do in a day, and how this is different to now, and we wrote a Victorian diary entry. We also really enjoyed seeing so many families at our sewing workshop and we had a wonderful time making our bookmarks.

Year 2 has taken their Celt Tribe exploration to the next level. At the Time and Tide museum we learned about Boudicca and our class tribe voted that we should battle our Roman invaders to fend them off! As a consequence, we learned more about two great warrior queens: Boudicca and Amanirenas, who both had success in defeating the Romans. We also have started a learning journey around writing inspirational speeches to help our tribe feel brave, involved, and ready to battle!

Year 3 This week in English, the children focused their learning on using a range of conjunctions to extend their sentences, including words such as while, although and after, within their non-chronological report on planets. In RE, the children reflected on our recent visit to St John's Cathedral. They discussed their experiences and began to think of thoughtful questions about the mass and what happens at key points, considering what they would like to learn more about too in our future lessons.

Year 4 We are loving our new class reader in year 4, called The Legend of Podkin One-Ear, and we were so lucky to be able to take part in a workshop provided by Bookbugs and Dragon Tales Bookshop this week! It was a reward especially for the great progress our year group is making in reading and we did drama, games and crafts all about Podkin! We also loved our big Lent walk, strolling around Eaton Park in the sunshine. It helped refresh our brains so that we can carry on solving tricky division calculations in Maths!

Year 5 This week, in Maths, we have been exploring the links between fractions, decimals and percentages. In English, we have written a piece of suspense writing imagining that we are living in an Anglo-Saxon village and have committed a crime! In RE, we have studied The Sorrowful Mysteries and reflected on what these mean for us personally. We have learnt how to use blanket stitch by sewing felt Easter Eggs decorations and we enjoyed having Year 5 parents join us for a lesson on the art of illuminating letters.

Year 6 It was lovely to welcome so many parents into our classrooms on Monday afternoon to join us for our Reading Workshop. We do hope you enjoyed it and learnt techniques and strategies to help your children prepare for the reading SATs paper. We have emailed all parents the PowerPoint that was used in the workshop and we hope you find it useful. This week, in RE and English, we are writing an informal letter about the events at the Last Supper according to the Gospel of John and what makes good discipleship.



Easter Holiday Sessions at The Oak Circus Centre

Youth Circus Holiday Sessions (Ages 5–9, and 10 - 16yrs)

These sessions give children the chance to explore and build on the skills they've already tried at school in more in depth sessions, including:

- Juggling
- Trapeze and aerial skills
- Tight wire and balance activities
- Hula hoops
- Acrobatics and human pyramids
- Circus games and creative challenges

Holiday sessions are a great way for children to develop confidence, coordination and teamwork, while staying active and having lots of fun.

Funded and Paid Places

Our programme is part of the Big Norfolk Holiday Fun initiative, which means:

- Funded places are available for children eligible for means-tested free school meals
- Funded participants receive a free nutritious lunch
- Paid places are also available for other families

SEND All Access Arts Sessions

We're also running specialist SEND sessions which combine circus skills, movement, and visual arts in smaller groups with higher support and a flexible approach, designed specifically for SEND children.

Easter Holiday Dates 30th March – 13th April

Full details and booking Parents and carers can find more information here:

https://theoakcircuscentre.org/active-norfolk-easter-fun-days/

CAFOD LENT WALK

Wednesday was a beautiful day to walk around Eaton Park and every class who went certainly enjoyed the opportunity to raise money and be outside. Thank you for the generous donations. The grant total will be revealed in Monday's Gospel Assembly but here is photo to keep you going.



DSP – CLASS PHOTOGRAPH ORDER DEADLINE

DEADLINE DATE REMINDER

Please can I ask you to send out a gentle reminder to all parents that the ordering **deadline date for FREE DELIVERY to the school is Sunday 22nd March 2026**

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

