St Francis of Assisi Catholic Primary School

Learning and growing together in God's love

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WEEKLY WHAT'S ON

Issue 29 1st May 2026

Reception

Thursday 4th June Heigham Park Trip am
Wednesday 1st July Welcome to Year 1 3.30 pm Hall
Thursday 2nd July Trip to Thrigby Hall

Year 1

PE DAYS TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS

Friday 15th May RSE Parent Meeting 3.30 pm HALL

19th May Parent Workshop Plants – 2pm class
29th and 30th June Parents' Evenings

Thursday 2nd July Welcome to Year 2 3.30 pm Hall

29th and 30th June Parents' Evenings in class

Year 2

PE DAY – FRIDAY

Friday 15th May RSE Parent Meeting 3.30 pm HALL

24th June Parent Workshop 2pm Class

Wednesday 8th July – Welcome to Year 3 Meeting

Year 3

PE DAY WEDNESDAY

Thursday 7th May 3MD Swimming #3
Thursday 14th May 3MD Swimming #4
Friday 15th May RSE Parent Meeting 3.30 pm HALL

Thursday 21st May 3MD Swimming#5
Thursday 4th June 3MD Swimming #6
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
Thursday 9th July China Day
Thursday 9th July Welcome to Year 4

Thursday 25th February 2027 Olly Day Workshop Road Safety

Year 4

PE DAY – THURSDAY

Friday 15th May RSE Parent Meeting 3.30 pm HALL
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

Tuesday 5th May 6.30pm to 8pm PTFA Meeting School Hall

Wednesday 12th May New EYFS Parent Welcome Meeting 5.30 pm

Friday 15th May RSE Parent Meeting 3.30 pm HALL

Friday 15th May –Day of Mary Children to wear something blue eg blue socks, hairband, tie etc

Wednesday 20th May 2.45 PLANT SALE in the playground grown by children in The Nest.

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

Monday 15th June Mitch Johnson Author Visit

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

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

Monday 8th June UEA Football Festival Year 6 pupils

Year 5

PE Day - MONDAY

Friday 15th May RSE Parent Meeting 3.30 pm HALL

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 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
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 The Space

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

Year 6

PE DAY – TUESDAY

Friday 15th May RSE Parent Meeting 3.30 pm HALL

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 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
Monday, 21st September 2026. Hethersett Academy's Open Evening for prospective students and their families

CELEBRATION NAMES

1PL Jiraiya - for creating a lovely book all about plants.
1L Sophia - acting on feedback when reading words for her phonics check.
2SB Miles- for excellent reflections upon his feelings while listening to The Planets by Gustav Holst. Miles has also shown wonderful manners, friendship and resilience. Well done Miles!
2B: Luis & Tommy - Luis & Tommy have been working phenomenally hard in reading lessons and we are seeing notable improvements in their blending, and fluency.
3MD Ariella, Sienna and Jacey - for their very careful Art work. Their papier-mache Mary Icons are perfect examples to use as a WAGGOL - thank you girls and well done!
3BM: Niharika and Robyn are our stars of this week for their drama performance in English. They worked hard to collaborate with their peers and used key vocabulary and phrases from the original text of 5 Children and It. Well done girls!
4D Dylan TL - for drawing an incredible Tudor ship!
Stanley - for always making the right choices and making wonderful progress with his handwriting. **4H Keira** - for being resilient and so positive in every way.
Chris - for being such a kind and supportive working partner in every lesson.
George 5W – For his beautiful piece of descriptive writing on Tim the Ostler. He used a wide range of vocabulary as well as making sure that he was showing….. not telling. Well done George!
Rishan 5W – For being positive and working hard in every lesson this week. He asks for help when he needs it and shows great determination when faced with a challenge. Keep up this excellent attitude Rishan! **Chito 5J** – For her excellent focus, determination, resilience and hard work, especially in maths! She deepens her understanding and skills in every lesson. **Dexter 5J** – For his quiet determination and excellent focus which is producing the results Dexter deserves!**Luca 5J –** It is such a pleasure to hear about the books Luca is reading and lovely to know how brilliantly he is building his vocabulary and understanding of story structure and what an author does to write a great story.
6HD - Matilda is a star this week as she always asks important and pertinent questions about the lessons we are studying - this provides a model example to her peers. Well done Matilda.
Ruby is also a star this week for being an all-round star in her lessons - focused, attentive, participatory and always responds with curiosity and resilience.
6SW - Hayley is a star this week for always trying hard to do her best, focussing in lessons and actively taking part, in particular in independent tasks in maths.

LEARNING THIS WEEK

Year 1 This week in Year 1 we wrote instructions on how to plant a seed using bossy words. We used words like with and but to make our writing grow. We have also been looking at multiplication as repeated additions and have been counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. In RE we have heard how Jesus told his disciples to 'Let the children come' and have been trying hard to welcome others like Jesus when we are playing. We also made beautiful doves to remind us of the story of Pentecost.
Year 2 Transformation has been the theme in Year 2 this week as we have been focusing on the story of Saul on the road to Damascus and his conversion. We completed some excellent drama to help retell the story before writing this in our own words. Our maths focus has been firmly on fractions, where we have learned about recognising a quarter and finding a quarter of an amount. We have found using a bar model and pictures extremely helpful in this endeavour!
Year 3 This week in English, we started reading the story Five Children and It. First we predicted what we thought the children found through clues from the author, then we explored vocabulary choices, thinking about how authors choose words to create an impression of a character, mood and atmosphere. In Maths, we have moved our learning onto Shape. We have explored 2D and 3D shapes, labelling the properties of each. Maybe you could hunt for 3D shapes in your home and use the key vocabulary of faces, vertices and edges to describe the shapes you have found?
Year 4 In Year 4 this week we have been working really hard in Maths to convert improper fractions to mixed numbers and will soon be learning to identify equivalent fractions. We are also learning to become computer programmers and have used Scratch to begin to explore how specific instructions can create shapes and effects.
Year 5 This week, in Maths, we have been applying our arithmetic skills and understanding to solving more complex reasoning problems. In English, we have immersed ourselves in the amazing poem, 'The Highwayman'. In RE we have continued to reflect on why Jesus included the Samaritans in so many of his stories and how this was preparing his disciples to spread the Word to the ends of the earth. In Art, we are studying perspective to add depth to our art. In Science, we used our knowledge of scientific processes to separate a mixture of different sized solids.
Year 6 In English, we have continued with our suspenseful writing, paying particular attention to editing and improving our work as we go along. Topic has culminated in work on Emily Davison and this week sees our return to Biomes under threat as part of the geography curriculum. Please don't forget to continue sending in resources for when we start making our hats during and after SATs week.

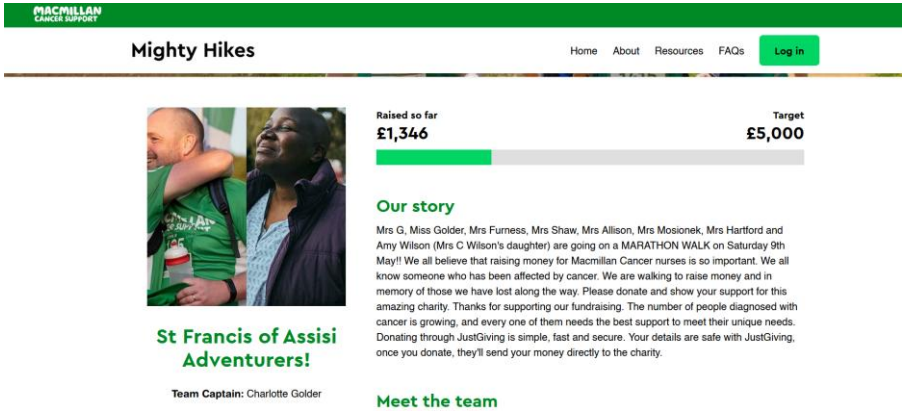
MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

Will you donate to St Francis of Assisi Adventurers!?

https://share.google/mXxKuNlGZZdvLgHa0

On Saturday 9th May, at 7.10 am, a few of us are starting a 26 mile from Cromer to who knows where and who knows what time we will arrive there. We however are determined to finish and raise money for this cause. We all have separate funding raising pages but if you click on the link above, we would so appreciate a few pounds to our St Francis of Assis Adventurers' Donation Page.

Thank you for even the smallest donation towards this wonderful charity.





VOLUNTEERS NEEDED IN EYFS TO JOIN OUR TALK TEAM

Do you have capacity to help our EYFS team in the mornings and become one of a troop of helpers called "The Talk Team" who will be able to make the biggest difference to the smallest people in our school.

- **You will be able to give as little as one hour or as much time as you are willing to offer.**
- **You will receive communication training from Miss Betts and/or Mr Brackenbury.**

Please contact Mrs Claire Furness on deputy@st-francisofassisi.norfolk.sch.uk to express your interest please.

LANGUAGE OF THE MONTH (APRIL)

SIGN LANGUAGE We will be celebrating this language April.

If any parent is familiar with this and would like to share some knowledge in an Assembly, please get in touch with Mrs Furness.

MUSIC OF THE MONTH IN SINGING ASSEMBLIES – MAY

Hymns

Come and Join the Circle by Bernadette Farrell
As I Kneel Before you
Holy Virgin by God's Decree
When I Needed a Neighbour
Immaculate Mary

Entrance Music

Summer Time by George Gershwin
In the Summertime by Mungo Jerry
Sitting on the Dock of the Bay Otis Redding

VALUE ASSEMBLY



This month the Value is **Friendship.**

The Value Assembly themes are:

- **Friendship – What makes a good friend?**
- **Catholic Social Teaching – Subsidiarity – Everyone should have a say**
- **Friendship – How to say sorry to a friend**


SUMMER FAIR
Friday 19th June, 3pm
We're getting ready for a fantastic day of fun – but we need your brilliant ideas and helping hands!
Calling All Parents!
Got a fun idea for your child's year group stall?
Want to get involved and help make it happen?
We're looking for Leads & Volunteers:
Food – Plan, cook, or serve!
Drinks – Serve refreshments for all ages!
Football Tournament – Help referee!
Activities – crafts, games – Help run them!
How to get involved:
Email ptfa.stfrancis@yahoo.co.uk, speak to your class rep or join the PTFA meeting
Deadline for ideas: May 4th
Let's get creative and make this fair amazing for the kids!