# 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

**Monday 29th July - Welcome to Year 1 3.30 pm Hall**

**30th June and 1st July th Je Parents' Evenings in class**

**Thursday 2nd July Trip to Thrigby Hall**

**Friday 11th September 3pm to 5pm PTFA Welcome BBQ for new parents**

## Year 1

**PE DAYS TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS**

**30th June and 1st July th Je in class 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**

**30th June and 1st July Parents' Evenings in class**

**Wednesday 24th June Parent Workshop 2pm Class**

**Wednesday 8th July – Welcome to Year 3 Meeting**

## Year 3

**PE DAY WEDNESDAY**

**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**

**30th June and 1st July th Je Parents' Evenings in Hall**

**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**

**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**
**30th June and 1st July th Je Parents' Evenings in Hall**

**Wednesday 1st July Visit to Sainsbury Centre**
**6th July Welcome to Year 5 3.30 pm**

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

3rd February 2.30 Annie Theatre Royal

**Thursday 25th February 2027 Olly Day Workshop Road Safety**

**ALL**

**23rd June to 30th June Scholastic Book Fair**

**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**

**Tuesday 7th July School Disco**

**Rec 1.45-2.15pm**
**Yrs 1&2: 2.15-2.45pm**
**Yrs 3&4: 2.45-315**
**Year 5 and 6 5.30 pm to 7.30 pm**

**8th July Leavers' Mass 2pm Hall**

**Thursday 16th July am TALENT SHOW**

**ALL continued ..**

**New Academic Year – Back to School THURSDAY 3rd September**

**Tuesday 29th September 2026 Individual Photos**

**Friday 5th March 2027 Class Photos**

**The Nest Pupils**

Tuesday 30th June Schools Cycling Championship Eaton Park

## Year 5

**PE Day - MONDAY**

**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
**30th June and 1st July th Je Parents' Evenings in Hall**

1st July Parent Workshop 2.30 pm in class
6th July Welcome to Year 6 3.30 pm Hall
Tuesday 7th July School Disco 5.30 – 7.30 pm
Thursday 9th July 5W Dance Show at The Space
Mon 2nd Nov - Wed 4th Nov - Year 5 residential to Norfolk Lakes –
Thursday 5th and Friday 6th November Pedal Power Group 1
Thursday 12th and Friday 13th November Pedal Power Group 2
3rd February 2027 2.30 Annie Theatre Royal
8th - 12th November 2027 Year 6 Residential (Ullswater, Lake District)

## Year 6

**PE DAY – TUESDAY**

**Monday 22nd June 3.30 pm** City Sports Field events SPORTSPARK
**Tuesday 23rd June** 1pm – 5pm City Sports Track events SPORTSPARK
**Thursday 25th June** 130 pm – 5pm City Sports Track events FINAL Sportspark

**Wednesday 1st July** Year 6 Retreat
**Thursday 2nd July 2026** New Year 7 Parents Evening
Tuesday 7th July School Disco 5.30 – 7.30 pm
**Wednesday 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
Monday 16th – 20th November Year 6 Residential to Shropshire
Wednesday 16h December 1pm Peter Pan Panto
3rd February 2.30 Annie Theatre Royal

## CELEBRATION NAMES

**1L Jesse-** for writing amazing facts about fish and for trying really hard to make sure all the tricky words were spelt correctly.

**1PL Freddie**- for writing interesting facts about fish and for trying really hard to have neat handwriting.

**2SB Lucas-** for his unwavering and contagious enthusiasm towards his learning! We all love how much you love to learn. Well done Lucas!

**2B: Jan** - For superb studying of perspective when creating his cathedral picture **Eleanor** - For fantastic levels of encouragement during sports day. Adults across the school were singing your praises!

**3BM Ariel** and **Freya** are our stars of the week for their fantastic writing about when they lived on a dragon! They let their imaginations run wild and did such a good job! Well done girls!

**3MD: Kit**: for his continuous hard work and for excellent contributions to class discussions

**Georgia and Julian**: for their well crafted English piece, and for taking care with their with their editing for improvements

**Joseph**: for his excellent effort in English and for a well written piece of work

4H **Daniel** and **Elliot** for a great attitude during our Sports Day - trying hard, encouraging classmates and being positive!

4D **Dylan M** - for having a great week and taking exceptional care over his tests! **Isla** - for carefully creating a beautiful stained glass window.

**Panashe 5W** – For her determination and superb efforts in Maths this year which has allowed her to achieve some excellent results.**Ava 5W –** For showing even greater independence, resilience and focus in all her subjects this term.**Pippa 5J** – For her constant hard work, resilience and determination to do her best and for being a kind and supportive member of our class (and the netball team!)**Charles 5J** – For the hard work, determination and resilience he has shown in class – particularly in maths– this has paid off in great results in his recent assessments. He is kind, responsible and helpful in every way.

**6HD - Jack** is a star this week for his beautiful and consistent manners and participation during our production rehearsals. Well done Jack!

**6SW - Anderson** has been a star this week and has worked really hard during our production, particularly on Friday. Anderson read his lines beautifully, took part in the songs on stage and it is wonderful to see his confidence growing.

## LEARNING THIS WEEK

Year 1 This week we have been learning all about fish. We wrote some amazing facts and labelled our own fish diagrams. In Art we looked at 'The Goldfish' by 'Paul Klee' and carefully created our own versions using oil pastels and watercolour paint. In R.E we thought about how we could be like Jesus and the importance of treating others well. We also talked about how we must say sorry when we have made a mistake and to forgive others too. In Maths we have started looking at the concept of time. We timed ourselves in seconds and minutes doing certain things. How many times can you write your name in 20 seconds?

Year 2 Year 2 enjoyed a week of art! We have been studying Lowry and Giacometti and used their techniques to create pieces for our cathedral art exhibition! Hopefully you manage to make your way to see it at the summer fayre. We also loved seeing so many of you at sports day and the puzzle party! Hopefully you will have tried some of the games at home!

Year 3 This week in Science we explored the functions of the human skeleton. We learnt that we were born with around 300 bones in our body, and 94 of these bones fuse together as we grow. By the time we reach 20-25 years old, we have 206 bones in our body. We found this fact so interesting! In RE we have continued our learning of Branch 6: Dialogue and Encounter. This week we worked in small groups for a drama activity, and in each group one child acted as Jesus and the others were His disciples. Those acting as a disciple asked questions to Jesus of why He chose to celebrate the Last Supper on the Feast of the Passover and the child acting as Jesus worked hard to think of possible answers that Jesus may say. Another super week, Year 3, well done!

Year 4 We have been learning all about the Spanish Armarda in History this week and had lots of fun making a timeline of the events that led to the Tudor victory. It involved lots of interesting discussion! In Maths we have been learning about symmetry of shapes and patterns and have been able to spot symmetry more easily in our surroundings. It was great to have so many parents support us on Sports Day and we look forward to having you visit our stall at the Summer Fair!

Year 5 On Monday, we travelled back in time to a Victorian workhouse! The children met many interesting characters and looked at clues in order to solve a murder mystery. We were very proud of the children and their excellent behaviour representing the school. This week, in Maths, we have completed our Maths arithmetic and reasoning papers; the children worked so hard to do their best. In RE, we have been learning about the timeline of the Bible and how it is made up of many smaller books written in the past.As special well done to the Y5 netball team who won the interschool trophy. They embodied team spirit, enthusiasm and a love of their game.

Year 6 This week Year 6 have continued to work hard on their wonderful singing and acting skills for our production. They thoroughly enjoyed the author visit on Monday and found the activities very engaging. The children have taken ownership of their Enterprise projects, and have been applying effective teamwork and problem-solving skills. The children look forward to seeing you all at the summer fair.





## St John the Baptist Cathedral First Holy Communion and Confirmation Programmes 2026-27

The online registration form for the next academic year's programme is now available on the cathedral website – please click on the link in the newsletter or scan the QR code below

Deadline - 31 August 2026. Spaces are limited and applications after the deadline will be invited to apply again in the following year. So please get your registration forms in before the summer holidays!

We look forward to meeting you after the summer.








# Sports Day



It was wonderful to see so many family members at the Sports Day and enjoying the lovely weather with a picnic yesterday.

**Parents' Race**

Well done to Leo and Amaya D's Dad for winning the final of the Dad's Sprint and to Alfie J's Mum for winning the Mum Sprint.

**Morning Activities**

Well done to Sierra Leone for receiving the most points in the Green Circle morning activities and Australia for winning in the Blue Circle. All those children received a certificate.

**Afternoon Races**

Well done to all the children who raced the 50 m sprint and relay, and for the Year 5 and 6s who raced the more challenging 150m sprint. Sorry that there was not time for Years 3 and 4 to race the last event. Children who came First, Second or Third should have brought home a certificate in the Sprints and the Relay Teams who came first also received a certificate.

# Thank you so much to the local firms who have supported the Summer Fair this year:

ARCHER'S Butchers
QUALITY FOOD SINCE 1929

DUNSTON HALL
HOTEL, SPA & GOLF RESORT

WILLIAMS' KITCHEN

The play barn

EXPLORERS Soft Play

TNC The Nail City

THE GROVE GLAMPING
CROMER

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## Big Holiday Norfolk Fun

**Free places to families eligible for pupil premium funding or to children who are young carers, refuges, in care or who have a social worker will be open to book activities on THIS Sunday, 21 June on the booking system Eequ. If your child falls in the latter category, school will refer at your request.**




ALSO for those interested in Whitlingham Adventure activities (BNHF and public courses), they can find courses via the Whitlingham website

https://whitlingham.cinolla.com/whitlingham/categories

Places free for pupils who receive Pupil Premium Funding. If your child is a young carer, Mrs Furness can request free spaces so please contact her .

## PARENTS EVENINGS

**Appointments are ready to book on WISEPAY from 3pm today.**

**These will be held on Tuesday 30th June and Wednesday 1st July. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 meetings will be in the classrooms and Years 3,4 and 5 will be in the Hall. There are no Year 6 parent meetings for this term but a letter with SATS results will be sent to you after results come in on 8th July.**

**Letters informing parents and children of their class next year will be sent out on Friday 3rd July. Children will meet their new teachers on Wednesday 8 July.**



## MUSIC CONCERT

**Friday 3rd July 2026**



We are holding a joint concert with Rocksteady on this afternoon. If your child plays any instrument at home or at school, they are warmly invited to perform one or two pieces in this concert. Please let Claire Furness know via deputy@st-francisofassisi.norfolk.sch.uk and they will be added to the programme. The choir will also perform a couple of songs.

family hubs

# READY, STEADY, SCHOOL

**Is your child starting reception in September?**

- Carrying a tray game
- Packing a school bag
- Dressing-up races
- Poo workshop

**Monday July 6th**

**10am - 2pm**

**FREE EVENT!**

**Cadge Road Community Centre**
Cadge Road,
Norwich, NR5 8DD

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# PTFA SUMMER FAIR

*Together we make a difference for our school!*

## RAFFLE

**ALL FUNDS RAISED GO DIRECTLY TOWARDS SUPPORTING THE SCHOOL.**

**£1 PER ENTRY**



**GENEROUSLY DONATED PRIZES BY LOCAL BUSINESSES ALONG WITH A FANTASTIC VARIETY OF HAMPERS.**

**SCAN TO ENTER!**
CARD PAYMENTS ONLY

RAFFLE CLOSES AT **5:00PM** ON FRIDAY **19TH JUNE**
*to be drawn at* **5:30PM**

This raffle is run via Zeffy
Optional donation to Zeffy does not go to the school.

*Thank you for your support!*




**MUSIC OF THE MONTH IN SINGING ASSEMBLIES – June**

**Hymns**
There is Someone Who Knows Me
I belong to the Family of God
Shine Jesus Shine
Who Put the Colours in The Rainbow
**Entrance Music – Famous Wedding pieces**
Faure Pavanne
Bach Wachet Auf
Mozart Ave Verum Corpus
Pachelbel Canon in D

**VALUE ASSEMBLY**

In June Value is **Service**

The Value Assembly themes are:

- Service
- Catholic Social Teaching Sharing Fairly
- Encouraging Others
- Catholic Social Teaching Solidarity

**LANGUAGE OF THE MONTH (June) IGBO**

**IGBO** We will be celebrating this language in May

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

## TALENT SHOW

On the last Thursday of this term children in year 3 to 6 can participate in a school talent show. Aud8tions for these will be in a couple of weeks so children can start practising. Unfortunately there is not space for parents to attend this.






## Natural Surroundings Really Wild Flower Show, 2026!



Year 4 and our St Francis Gardening Club were invited to enter Natural Surroundings' art competition as part of their annual show (June 27-28th).

Natural Surroundings is an RHS affiliated wildflower nursery with a café and gardens and it is part of the large Bayfield Estate near Holt. You can find out more about it on their website:
https://www.naturalsurroundings.info/

As part of our nurturing of children's personal development, we invited them to increase their cultural capital by taking part in a local event that often makes the local news!

Pippa (Y5) and Matilda (Y6) have entered the Under 16 category by designing and creating their own miniature wildlife gardens...





Year 4 have created drawings or paintings of wildlife ponds, real or imagined, for the Age 7-11 category.

We look forward to seeing how we get on and will update you in the next couple of weeks with pictures of our entries and (hopefully) any winners!

Miss Hudson