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YOUR TUESDAY NEWS ON WEDNESDAY

Wednesday 6th September 2017

Together we are exploring our special gifts; Together we are growing towards God

'TOGETHER WE ARE GROWING TOWARDS GOD'

Dear Parents/Carers

The Catholic Schools Partnership

A Teaching School Alliance of Bradford & Keighley

A very warm welcome back after the summer holidays to you, your children and your families. We hope you have had a relaxing and enjoyable summer. The staff at St Francis have all been working hard over the holidays to make sure they have exciting and engaging plans for your children. We are sure your children will have a wonderful time in their new classes with their new teachers.

At the beginning of this new school year, we welcome some new members of staff to the St Francis family. In Year 1, we welcome Miss Olivia Breen and in Y3 we welcome Mr Jake Duxbury. We also welcome Miss Jane Morgan and Mrs Rebecca Harris as support staff in Year 1 and our Foundation Stage. We hope they have a very happy and successful year.

Worship

Mr Copley and Mrs Haines led our first worship of the new school year this morning to welcome all the children back after the summer break. The children all looked extremely smart in their new school uniforms and started the year brilliantly by coming into worship sensibly and singing so beautifully. We reminded the children of the high expectations we have of them in their behaviour around school and we discussed the importance of being kind to each other and looking after each other. Year 6 then led us in a start of term prayer:

"We give you praise, O God, for everything that is new and beautiful, for everything which holds promise and brings us joy.

Bless us as we start this new year with our friends and teachers Help us to make the most of every chance we have to start afresh.

May we show love to one another and to all. May the new beginning of this school year remind us that you give us chances to start over again and again. Help us to forgive others as we receive your forgiveness.

Help us to learn and to work together. Help us to listen when we should and to know the best words when we speak and when it is better not to speak.

We thank you for our friends Help us to be good friends this year. Help us to be patient with ourselves and with others.

Bless our school and keep us safe. Be with us as we travel each day.

Help us to be aware of your love shown to us in the people around us.

Bless all those who care for us In school and at home. Help us show our care for them and to say sorry when we need to.

Amen

Please note some changes in the structure of our leadership team below:

New Leadership Staffing Structure is now as follows:

Executive Head Teacher – Mr Copley SENDCo – Miss Martin KS2 Leader – Miss Trotter Head of School – Mrs Haines KS1 Leader – Miss Martin EYFS Leaders – Mrs Whitley and Mrs Needs

Feedback

As a school, we welcome feedback both positive and negative. We urge you to let us know when you feel something has gone well in school or when something has particularly benefitted your child. In this way, we can continue our efforts to further improve the standards in our school and the quality education and experiences we provide for your children. Likewise,



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you are unhappy about something in school, please talk to us. Please see below our quick step guide to making a complaint:

- 1. Firstly, write down exactly what you are unhappy about. This helps everyone be very clear about your concern.
- 2. Arrange an appointment with your child's Class Teacher or Key Stage Leader via the school office on 01274 638520
- 3. Attend the appointment made and bring your concern written down with you.
- 4. If you feel that your concern has not been addressed, then please arrange an appointment to see Mrs Haines or Mr Copley.
- 5. In the event of your concern not being resolved, then please follow the procedure outlined in the formal Complaints Policy which can be found on our website.

AS STATED IN OUR HOME SCHOOL AGREEMENT, PLEASE DO NOT EXPRESS ANY CONCERNS ON SOCIAL MEDIA.

Thank you for your continued support.

Please note there will be no merit worship this week. Our first merit worship will be on Friday 15th September at 8:55am



Beginning of year mass – 22nd September at 10am

For daily diary updates go to the website www.stfrancis.bradford.sch.uk

School Milk: If your child would like school milk please go to www.schoolmilkuk.co.uk to pay and order your milk. If you child is in receipt of free school meals and would like milk, please inform the office.

If you are worried or concerned about the wellbeing of any of our pupils, please ask to speak to Mr Copley or Mrs Haines