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

Your Tuesday News 21st May 2019

'TOGETHER WE ARE GROWING TOWARDS GOD'

Worship

Yesterday in worship, we explored Jesus' new commandment - Love one another, as I have loved you, which he shared with his disciples at the end of the Last Supper. We discussed how Jesus didn't simply request this of us but *commanded* us to do so. We then discussed how easy it is to love everybody and how at times it can be difficult to show love to other people, especially if they are being mean to us or annoying us in some way. We agreed that even though it may be challenging at times to live out Jesus' new commandment, it is important that we always strive to live it out. We ended by setting our mission for this week : to show our love for one another by holding the door open for each other.



On Thursday morning, we will be praying our final decade of the Rosary together whilst reflecting on the fifth glorious mystery - The Coronation of Mary. During this time, we will honour Mary as is tradition at this time of year, with a crown of flowers.

Minnie Vinnies

Thank you again to our wonderful Mini Vinnies who have diligently prepared and carried out Rosary Club over the last few Friday lunchtimes. Our final Rosary Club will take place this Friday during lunchtime.

Our Minnie Vinnies are making up hampers for the Parish Saint Vincent de Paul Society, who help local people in need, and they would like your help. Please could year groups bring in the following food after the half term holiday: Years 1 and 2 – biscuits; Years 3 and 4 - tea and coffee items; Years 5 and 6 tinned food and crisps. The made up hampers will be taken to Church who will give them to the SVP who will then distribute them to help lots of families in need.

A huge well done to our amazing Year 6 children who really applied themselves and gave of their very best last week whilst carrying out their SATs exams. We are already so very proud of you all. During your last few weeks at St Francis, we hope you enjoy lots of fun times with your friends and teachers.

God Bless from Mr Copley and Mrs Haines

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS:

Our Attendance Target for this year is 97%



Well done to Year 6 with 100% attendance last week. Unfortunately our attendance is slipping. We need to make an effort in order to achieve our target. Come on everybody we can do this.

CLASS	% ATTENDANCE w/b 13.05.19	%ATTENDANCE this year to date
FS2	95.48	96.49
Year 1	97.10	96.59
Year 2	98.74	97.41
Year 3	96.43	97.34
Year 4	93.55	96.63
Year 5	93.87	97.06
Year 6	100	97.47
Average	96.44%	96.99%
TARGET	97.00%	97.00%

TOGETHER WE ARE EXPLORING OUR SPECIAL GIFTS

Well done to our Merit Winners last week: Mila Hunter, Jacob Artist, Freyja Dowling-Rhodes. Blake Stanley, Alfie Walton, Charlie Thomas, Gracie Bakes, Daniel Berry, Christian Li-Castri Flesher and all Year 6

Mr Copley and Mrs Haines' Headteacher's Award was present to Amelia Clayton for being a really good friend and being so kind and caring.

Our TT Rockstar last week is Sorchia Eloi.

This week at the beginning of Merit Worship, Year 6 will be performing their chosen poem as part of our Performance Poetry programme. All Year 6 parents, carers and families are welcome to come along and watch.

Well done to Year 4 for their fine performance of a love sonnet written by our very own Noel Mullarkey. The children have been learning to write Shakespearean sonnets as part of their work on Romeo and Juliet and Noel's sonnet was chosen as the one to perform at Merit Worship last week. Congratulations to all of Year 4 for such a confident performance but a special thank you to Noel - a budding poet in our midst!

On Friday, Year 6 took part in a Rounders tournament at Woodhouse Grove School. Our wonderful team played some superb matches, coming 3rd place overall. We are very proud of them!

Tonight, eight of our Year 5 children will be competing in a Netball Tournament also at Woodhouse Grove School. We wish them good luck and look forward to hearing all about it on their return.



Well done to Christian Li Castri-Flesher and Niko Warner-Witter both in Year 6 were awarded their Orange Belt grading - 7th Kyu in Karate on Sunday.

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



School Calendar

(Please note these dates and times could be subject to change)

Date	Time	Class	Event
Friday 24 th May	3.15 pm	All	Break up for half term
Monday 10 th June	8.40 am	All	School reopens after half term
Friday 14 th June	8.40 am	Ys 1/2	Visit to Scarborough
Monday 17 th June	6.00 pm	New FS1	Parents meeting
Wednesday 19 th June	6.00 pm	New FS2	Parents meeting
Friday 28 th June	9.30 am	KS2	Mass in Church
Monday 1 st July	9.00 am	Y3	Visit to Nell Bank
	9.00 am	KS1	Parent maths workshop
	3.30 pm	KS1	Parent maths workshop
Tuesday 2 nd July	9.00 am	Ys 3/4	Parent maths workshop
	3.30 pm	Ys 3/4	Parent maths workshop
Wednesday 3 rd July	9.00 am	All	Transition morning
	9.30 am	Ys 5/6	Parent maths workshop
	10.00 am	New FS1/2	Drop in session
	3.30 pm	Ys 5/6	Parent maths workshop
Thursday 4 th July	10.00 am	Y6	Fast Forward transition event at St Cuthbert's, Wrose
Tuesday 9 th July	1.30 – 7.00 pm	FS	Parent consultations
	2.00 / 6.00 pm	Y6	Leavers production
Wednesday 10 th July	3.30 – 5.00 pm	FS	Parents consultations
Monday 15 th July	10.30 am	All	Leavers Mass
Tuesday 16 th July	PM	All	Sports Day (provisional)
Thursday 18 th July	8.55 am	All	Final special Merit Worship
Friday 19 th July	2.00 pm	All	Leavers Liturgy
School re opens on Tuesday 3 rd September			

School Holiday List 2019 / 2020

Here is our holiday schedule for the next academic year. Once again we have a training day after the October half term and two weeks at Spring Bank where you can take advantage of better holiday prices.

September start:	Tuesday 3rd September 2019 (Foundation start date may be later)
Autumn half term:	Break up on Friday 25th October, return Tuesday 5 th November
Christmas:	Break up on Friday 20th December, return Monday 6th January 2020
Spring half term:	Break up on Friday 14th February, return Monday 24th February
Easter:	Break up on Wednesday 8th April, return on Monday 20th April
May Day:	Closed on Monday 4th May
Spring Bank:	Break up on Friday 22nd May, return Monday 8th June
Summer break:	Break up on Friday 17th July 2020

We would like to wish all our children and families a lovely half term holiday.

Let's hope we get lots of

