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

Your Tuesday News 11th June 2019

'TOGETHER WE ARE GROWING TOWARDS GOD'

Worship

Pentecost Sunday was celebrated in church on Sunday which is also known as the church's birthday. In worship yesterday, we shared the story of Pentecost together and discussed the 9 fruits of the Holy Spirit - love, joy, peace, gentleness, kindness, generosity, self-control, patience and faithfulness. We discussed how the disciples needed these fruits to help them carry out God's work and spread the Good News now that Jesus was no longer on earth. We also discussed how we show the Holy Spirit working through us in the ways we display the 9 fruits day to day in school. The children gave some great examples

- we show generosity when we raise money for charity, we show faithfulness when we pray together and celebrate Mass and we show kindness when we ensure everyone has somebody to play with. We decided to focus on the fruit of peace when setting our mission for this week - to find time to meditate and experience peace.



God Bless from Mr Copley and Mrs Haines

Forest School

Y1 had their last Forest school Session just before the holidays. They thoroughly enjoyed their experience and particularly liked building fires and roasting marshmallows! This half term, Year 6 will be attending Forest School. Children must make sure they have appropriate outdoor wear for all weathers and wellies with them each Thursday.

Maths Workshops

At the beginning of July, parents from KS1, lower key stage 2 and upper key stage 2 are warmly invited to attend a Maths Workshop with their child. The purpose of the workshops is to provide parents with an insight into how Maths is taught at St Francis and parents will have the opportunity to see deep dive activities in action. For further information, please speak to Mrs Horne. We will inform you of how to sign up for these workshops in next week's Tuesday News. The dates for these workshops can be found overleaf.

News from Year 3

Year 3 have had a fantastic time in their topic of Plants. They have been learning about how plants grow and then have had the opportunity to plant their own fruit and veg. By the end of term, they are hoping that they can harvest them in time for their own farmers market.

As part of their Art and Design Technology topic, All Things Bright and Beautiful, Year 3 have made their own Rainbow Wraps full of healthy goodness. They are now planning to make their own recipes for exotic salads during their English lessons.



EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS:

Our Attendance Target for this year is 97%



Well done to Year 6 who have topped the charts for a second week in a row. Unfortunately our attendance is continuing to slip. We need to make an effort in order to achieve our target. Come on everybody we can do this.

CLASS	% ATTENDANCE w/b 20.05.19	%ATTENDANCE this year to date
FS2	94.84	96.44
Year 1	95.48	96.55
Year 2	92.9	97.26
Year 3	95	97.27
Year 4	96.45	96.63
Year 5	92.26	96.91
Year 6	97.86	97.48
Average	94.97%	96.93%
TARGET	97.00%	97.00%

TOGETHER WE ARE EXPLORING OUR SPECIAL GIFTS

Well done to our Merit Winners last week: Aine Clegg, Jack Baldwin, Maisie Dunn, Isaac Kiwomya, Isla Naylor, Joseph Rubery, Armin Laszlo, Theo Loughlin, Emilie Longbottom, Louis Knox, Joanne Reynard and Lily Burns.

Mr Copley and Mrs Haines' Headteacher's Award was present to Ella Horan for being such a kind, caring and helpful member of St Francis.

Our Big Cat reading Award and our TT Rockstar last week was Tulisa Durkin. The first time we have had a double winner! Well done!

Thank you to Year 6 for their performance poetry on the last day of term. Their presentation of The Malfeasance was delivered with such confidence after a very busy term. Well done!




Well done to Adam ElkaZaZ, who was awarded the Best Youngest Dog Handler in the under 18s category at a dog show in the school holidays. He won a rosette and a game and Spike the dog won dog toys and some biscuits.



Sporting News

During the last week of term, eight Y5 children took part in a netball tournament at Woodhouse Grove. The children performed really well and came third overall. Their behaviour on and off the netball court was exemplary throughout. We thank them for their enthusiasm and skills and for representing our school so well.

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

#		Pupil
1.		Rhys Leak
2.		Finley Carroll
3.		Theo Lancaster



#	Group	Score
1.	Year 4	2,147,483,647
2.	Year 2	2,147,483,647
3.	Year 5	1,751,157,737
4.	Year 3	1,628,777,497
5.	Year 6	1,585,751,678
6.	Year 1	692,870,330

Road Safety

FS2 and KS1 enjoyed listening to our visitors showing us valuable rules about staying safe when using the road. KS2 children also took part in road safety workshops.



On the Thursday evening before we broke up for the holidays, 17 members of staff took to the waters in training for the Bradford Dragon Boat Festival which takes place on Saturday 22nd June at Robert's Park in Saltaire. Training got off to a very shaky start to say the least, but we soon got the hang of it and managed to get up some speed! We will be competing in three races on the day. Once we have our itinerary, we will share with you the times of our races. It would be great to have your support!



In an effort to continue our fundraising for Night Stop and Sue Ryder Hospice, as part of the festival, we are holding a bun sale after school on Friday 21st June. We would welcome donations of buns, cakes and biscuits and we ask for these to come in to school on the morning of Friday 21st June. Thank you for all your support.



After School Club

We now have a dedicated telephone number for After School Club if you need to ring them out of school office hours or if you are unable to get through to the office. **The number is 07562 647403. This is for contacting After School Club only.**

Over the next few weeks, our After School Club children have been tasked with a very important job. The Bradford Science and Media Museum are celebrating the 50th anniversary of the moon landing. The children, under the direction of Mr Bullock, are painting three photo booths that will be used at the event. These booths will be displayed as having been painted by St Francis and Grove House After School Club children.

School Uniform information

Just a reminder – due to the busy summer delivery, anybody wishing to order new uniforms from School Trends must do so by **9th August** at the latest.

Due to the unusually cold and rainy weather this week, please make sure your child comes to school with appropriate outer wear as we will continue to try and allow children playtime outside whenever we can.

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School Calendar

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

Date	Time	Class	Event
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
Tuesday 25 th June	All day	KS2	JLL Enabling Enterprise trip
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
	9.00 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