

# St Francis Catholic Primary School

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

Your Tuesday News 19<sup>th</sup> November 2019

**'TOGETHER WE ARE GROWING TOWARDS GOD'**

## Worship

The Gospel reading this Sunday was all about not concerning ourselves with the future, but enjoying life in the present. We discussed how some things are easy to predict and others are impossible. Jesus told his followers that no one can predict the future; it is not ours to know. Only God knows his plan for us. It is not important to us to know what is going to happen in the future – what is important is that we make the most of our lives right now. Live life to the fullest and don't worry about the future. We then prayed together and set our mission for the week: to do something we enjoy.



This Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> November, Y3 will be celebrating their class Mass along with the parish in Church at 9:30am. Parents/carers and families are very welcome to join in with them.

This Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> October, Y1 will lead us in their class worship at 8:55am in the large hall. Again, all parents/carers and families are warmly invited to come along and support the children.

## Parish Christmas Fair

Thank you to everyone who supported the Parish Christmas Fair on Sunday by either coming along or sending in chocolate on Friday for the chocolate stall. The Parishioners would like to thank everyone who donated some baking for the café.

God Bless from Mr Copley and Mrs Haines

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## Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy in school for a lunchtime supervisor to work every day from 12.00 – 1.00 pm. If you are interested, or know anyone who might be please let us know. Application forms are available from the school office. If you would like any further information please speak to Mrs Haines or ask at the office.

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**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**

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS:

Our Attendance Target for this year is 97%



Only two classes were above our target last week and FS2 are our winners with 98%.

CLASS	% ATTENDANCE w/b 11.11.19.	%ATTENDANCE this year to date
FS2	98.00	97.10
Year 1	95.67	96.63
Year 2	96.77	97.92
Year 3	92.58	97.14
Year 4	97.41	96.80
Year 5	96.45	97.75
Year 6	95.16	96.67
Average	96.00%	97.14%
TARGET	97.00%	97.00

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# TOGETHER WE ARE EXPLORING OUR SPECIAL GIFTS

Well done to our Merit Winners last week: Kyle Riley, Ava-Grace Gamble, Isaac Kiwomya, Phoenix Lacey, Casey Nolan, Finley Carroll and Ryley Shaw.

Mrs Haines' Headteacher's Award was presented to Imogen Shackler for approaching school life with such positivity and enthusiasm.

The Big Cat Merit Award was presented to Natasha Feszler for her fantastic phonics and commitment to reading at home.

The Maths Shed Mathstronaut last week was Charlie Thomas.

Well done to all our award winners.

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1.		Rhys Leak	Year 3 2019/20
2.		Finley Carroll	Year 5 2019/20
3.		Lucy Lightfoot	Year 4 2019/20



1.	Year 3 2019/20	66,911,053
2.	Year 4 2019/20	43,492,581
3.	Year 5 2019/20	39,451,802
4.	Year 6 2019/20	36,153,193
5.	Year 2 2019/20	11,205,032
6.	Year 1 2019/20	3,296,596
7.	FS2 2019/20	1,420,488

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## EYFS loved 'Bedtime Day'

We enjoyed books, the library and hot chocolate!

Foundation Stage 2 is holding Maths Workshops for parents and children on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 9.00 am and 3.30 pm. You will receive an email/text to sign up to let us know which session you will be attending.



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Educational Visits 2019/20

Please see below for a schedule of planned educational visits for children for this school year. This includes the estimated cost of the visit.



Year Group	Date	Place	Estimated cost
EYFS	May	Nell Bank	£15 - £20
Year 1	June/July	Scarborough Sea Life Centre	£13
Year 2	July	Yorkshire Wildlife Park	£14
Year 3	Summer term	Nell Bank	£15 - £20
Year 4	March	Saltaire	£8
Year 5	11 <sup>th</sup> December	Jorvik Viking Centre, York	£13
Year 6	27 <sup>th</sup> November	National Science and Media Museum	£6.50

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Our After School Club continues to be very popular with children. Our numbers are increasing and it is very important that we receive bookings in advance, as we do not always have the capacity now to take children at short notice.

This week the children will be working with fabric and attempting to do some cross stitch.

**Please note that there will be no After School Club on the last day of each term, which is when we break up for Christmas, Easter and Summer. There will be a club on the last day of each half term, which is October, February and May.**

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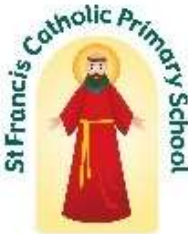
St Joseph’s and St Bede’s Newsletters

Here is the link to view the latest newsletters from St Joseph’s and St Bede’s Catholic College. This may be of interest to anyone who is considering this school for their child.

<https://sbsj.co.uk/newsletters>



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St Francis PFA

Thank you to everyone who came to our meeting at the Wrose Bull last week. Parent Council are now known as St Francis PFA (Parents and Friends Association).

**Date for your diary:** Christmas Movie Night Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December from 3.15 pm. Further details will be in next week’s newsletter and tickets will be on sale from next week.

**Raffle:** Gin hamper and a children's sweets and chocolate hamper. Tickets will be on sale from Wednesday this week in the playground after school at £1 a strip.

Please follow our Facebook page where you can see pictures of the prizes and keep up to date with all the latest news and happenings.

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Children In Need

Thank you to everyone who supported Children In Need Day last Friday. We will be sending a cheque off for £170



Music concert

On Wednesday last week Years 3, 5 and 6 were treated to a music concert by musicians from Bradford Music Service. The children really enjoyed it and got to learn about different instruments as well as different genres of music.



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Winmarleigh Hall 2020



There is a meeting for parents and children in Year 5, regarding the residential visit next September, on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November 3.30 and 5.00 pm. At this meeting you will receive information about the residential and you will have the opportunity to ask any questions you may have about our child going. You will receive an email/text to sign up to let us know which session you will be coming to. Thank you.

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School Calendar

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

Date	Time	Class	Event
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	9.30 am	Y3	Class Mass in Church
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	9.30 am	Y1	Library visit
	10.30 am	Y2	Library visit
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	1.30 pm	Y6	Light Science workshop at Science Museum
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	3.30 / 5.00	Y5	Parents meeting for Winmarleigh Hall 2020
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November		All	Skipping School Day
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	8.20 am	All	Advent worship during advent for all
	10.15 am	FS2/KS1	Saying Sorry Service
	10.30 am	KS2	Penitential Service followed by confession
	6.00 pm	FS1	New parents welcome meeting
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	9.30 am	FS1	New children drop in session
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	9.00 / 3.30	EYFS	Maths workshop
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	12.00	All	Christmas lunch
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Am/pm	EYFS	Advent workshop and worship
	9.00 am	Y5	Educational visit to York
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Am/pm	EYFS	Advent workshop and worship
	3.30 pm	All	St Francis PFA Christmas Movie Nights
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Am/pm	EYFS	Advent workshop and worship
	9.00 am	KS1	Christmas Liturgy by KS1
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	10.30 am	All	Advent Mass in school
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	9.00 am	Y4,5 & 6	Performance Poetry
	6.00 pm	All	St Francis PFA Carol Service
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Break up for Christmas		
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	School re-opens after Christmas		