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

Your Tuesday News 10<sup>th</sup> March 2020

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

Yesterday, instead of our usual worship, FS2 and KS1 took part in their 'Saying Sorry' service and KS2 took part in their Penitential Service followed by confession for Years 4,5 and 6. Linking in with our theme of 'My Rock in Whom I Trust', the children all decorated their own individual rock to place underneath our Tree of Trust, symbolising letting go of all their worries and sins and putting their trust in God to forgive them.

Lenten Prayers continue this week on Thursday at 8:30am, when we will follow the footsteps of Christ through Stations 6 and 7 of the Cross. Please do join us in some quiet reflective time together.

Thank you to Year 1 for leading us so well in their beautiful worship all about caring for the animals and creatures of the world.

This Thursday, FS2 will lead us in their class worship at 8:55am. All parents/carers and families are very welcome to come along and join them. This will be followed by their Stay, Play and Learn session.

Thank you to everyone for the funds raised through the Wacky Hair Day last Friday. There were some incredible creations and we raised a wonderful £153.60.

This Friday, we will be raising money for The Good Shepherd Appeal for Catholic Care, by having a Penalty Shoot Out, where children will take three penalties each. Children do not need to bring their PE kit for this event only £1 to take part. A prize will be awarded to a pupil from each year group

God Bless from Mr Copley and Mrs Haines



**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, Miss Martin or Mrs Laptew**

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS:

Our Attendance Target for this year is 97%



A massive well done to Year 2 on achieving 100% attendance last week. The figures have increased but we still need to get our yearly attendance up to 97%.

CLASS	% ATTENDANCE w/b 02.03.20.	%ATTENDANCE this year to date
FS2	95.00	96.33
Year 1	97.00	96.78
Year 2	100.00	96.96
Year 3	97.42	97.30
Year 4	93.33	95.89
Year 5	99.35	97.05
Year 6	97.74	94.65
Average	97.12%	96.42%
TARGET	97.00%	97.00

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# TOGETHER WE ARE EXPLORING OUR SPECIAL GIFTS

Well done to our Merit Winners last week: Scarlett Sahebjam, Ebony Butler, Natasha Feszler, Joseph Symons, Fancis Adakpa, Armin Laszlo and Joseph Fleming

Mrs Haines' Headteacher's Award was presented to Lucia Zanella for being an absolute ray of sunshine! Lucia approaches everything with real effort and a beaming smile. Thank you.

The Big Cat Merit was presented to Ave-Grace Gamble for her dedication to reading at home and using her phonics.

#	Pupil	Groups
1.	 Rhys Leak	Year 3 2019/20
2.	 Finley Carroll	Year 5 2019/20
3.	 Eliza O'Connor	Year 3 2019/20



#	Group	Score
1.	Year 3 2019/20	113,217,695
2.	Year 6 2019/20	32,823,538
3.	Year 5 2019/20	31,312,770
4.	Year 2 2019/20	23,773,024
5.	Year 1 2019/20	3,985,955
6.	Year 4 2019/20	3,010,146

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The weekly Maths safe has returned and is now up to £11! The two clues uncovered are none of the digits are the same and the four digits form a number under 5000. Remember just score over 500,000 on Maths Shed as of Friday morning to be entered into the draw.



Thank you to all the Year 1 and 2 families who joined us last Thursday for the maths workshop. It was great to see the focus from both parents and children working through different activities. All the workshops, from all the different year groups, are now available on the website on the parent workshops page. There is one last Maths Workshop for Year 3 and 4 families on Thursday 23rd April at 3.30 and 5.30 - details to sign up for the event will follow closer to the time.

Miss Burgess has a small Maths plea - we are asking for any loose change you have laying around at home to be donated for use in Maths lessons. Any amount, of any coin, is greatly appreciated.



World Book Day

What a wonderful display of book characters last week on World Book Day! IT was great to see so much effort being put in and enthusiasm for reading! A HUGE thank you to Teddy's mum, Kaleb's mum, Millie and Sam's mum and Daniel and Hannah's mum who all volunteered to be 'Secret Readers'. You were all amazing! Thank you also to Mr Kerr, Mrs Laptew, Mr Bullock and Mrs Clarke (our Vice Chair of Governors) who also volunteered as Secret Readers. All of you brought a lot of joy to the children and promoted a real love of reading. Thank you!



Well done to all the children who entered the Extreme Reader Challenge. The School Council along with Mrs Gallucci had a great time choosing the winners who are listed below:

- FS1 – T'Rahj Evans
- FS2 - Ethan Bolland
- Year 1 – Kaleb Parker
- Year 2 – Maisie Walker
- Year 4 - Joseph Rubery
- Year 5 – Armin Laszlo
- Year 6 – Millie Quinn

The winners all received a £5 voucher for the Book Fair which arrived in school this morning.

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Parent Consultations

Thank you to everyone who has made an appointment for parent consultation. It is really important that parents have the opportunity to meet with the teacher to discuss your child's progress and achievement and any concerns there may be. Please respect the teachers and stick to the appointment that you made. We look forward to seeing you.

During both Parent Consultations, the Book Fair will be available to buy books. It will also be available before and after school and during After School Club for any purchases. The more books we sell, the more free books we get for school so please support it! Thank you in advance.

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After School Club / Breakfast Club

Our After School Club is very popular and well attended. As a result we are finding it more difficult to take on children at the last minute, therefore it is very important that you book in advance for After School Club. Breakfast Club remains a drop in club, but children in FS1 who attend breakfast club, need to book in advance as numbers are restricted due to staffing/child ratio.

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School Calendar (please note these days and times could be subject to change)

Date	Time	Class	Event
Wednesday 11th March	AM/PM	FS1	Stay, Play and Learn
	3.30 – 5.00 pm	FS1 – Y5	Parent consultations
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00 am	FS	Class Worship
	9.15 am	FS2	Stay, Play and Learn
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	8.55 am	All	Merit Worship
	9.00 am	All	Starlight clothing collection
	All day	All	Penalty shoot out – Good Shepherd
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00 am	FS2, Y1, Y2	Performance poetry
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	All day	All	Sponge the Teacher – Good Shepherd
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	8.30 – 9.30 am	FS and Y1	Flouride varnishing consent session
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	3.30 – 4.15 pm	FS2	Writing workshop
	3.15 – 4.15 pm	Y6	Maths Club



# Getting information on our school meals is easier than ever, with the new School Meals App

## YOU CAN NOW

-  Scroll through menu options for the day
-  Filter menu options by meal type or allergen
-  See nutritional information on all menu items
-  Get allergen information on all our products
-  See the Food Hygiene Rating within School
-  Save your child's school for easy access

## TO DOWNLOAD

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- 2 Go to: [www.bradford.gov.uk/schoolmeals](http://www.bradford.gov.uk/schoolmeals)
- 3 Click on: "Our school meals app" and follow the instructions

Facilities Management  
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## New Apps

We are pleased to tell you that there is now a School Meals App available from Bradford Council. This app tells you what the menu will be each day, so you are able to make meal choices with your child at home. This is available to download from

[www.bradford.gov.uk/schoolmeals](http://www.bradford.gov.uk/schoolmeals) Just follow the instructions and choose St Francis Catholic Primary School from the scrolling list. It really is very simple.

## St Francis App

We will shortly be introducing a school app which will be linked to our website. You will be able to get the newsletter to your phone as soon as it is loaded onto the website, all correspondence will eventually come through the app as well as all the latest news. The app is now available to download from the app store: Search for School Jotter in the app store. Download the app and search for our school by either the postcode BD2 4ES



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## Friday Coffee Mornings



Don't forget about our coffee morning this Friday from 8.40 am. You are also welcome to drop in after Merit Worship for a cuppa.

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## PARENT AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION NEWS

Please use the reply slips below for the School Disco and Mother's Day presents. This helps make the process run smoothly and efficiently. Thank you to everyone, the response so far has been great.

Name of Child(ren): ..... Classes: .....

I would like \_\_\_\_\_ tickets at a cost of £4 each and enclose £ \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: ..... Date: .....



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Name of Child(ren): ..... Classes: .....

I would like \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's Day presents at a cost of £2.50 each and enclose £ \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: ..... Date: .....

