



EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS:

Our Attendance Target for this year is 97%



Well done to Year 3 our attendance champions before Christmas.

CLASS	% ATTENDANCE w/b: 13.12.21.	%ATTENDANCE this year to date
FS2	96.33	93.34
Year 1	91.00	92.98
Year 2	97.29	96.30
Year 3	98.68	97.29
Year 4	98.08	95.75
Year 5	98.63	96.76
Year 6	97.46	95.76
<b>Average</b>	<b>96.78%</b>	<b>95.76%</b>
<b>TARGET</b>	<b>97.00%</b>	<b>97.00%</b>

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# TOGETHER WE ARE EXPLORING OUR SPECIAL GIFTS

## Merit Worship

Our merit winners before Christmas: FS1: Taelor, FS2: Ivana, Year 1: Esther and James. Year 2: Matteo, Year 3: Kayla, Year 4: Isabelle, Year 5: Nancy, Year 6: Fancis. Well done everybody.

Mrs Haines' Headteacher's Award: The School Choir for all their hard work rehearsing and for a fantastic performance at the school's PFA Carol Concert.

The Big Cat Reading Award: Kyle for always completing lots of fantastic reading at home. His reading skills are constantly improving. Keep up the great work Kyle !!

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## PE Timetable

Here is the new PE timetable for the next half term:



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 2 PE	Year 5 swimming	Year 4 Mr Holt	Year 1 PE	Year 3 ForestSchool
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	Year 6 PE			

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## Y3 Forest School

Children in Year 3 will be participating in Forest School every Friday afternoon for this half term. Children are asked to come to school already dressed for Forest School with a change of footwear. Please note, that the children will go out in all weathers so please ensure they are appropriately dressed. Many thanks.



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## PFA Valentine's Disco

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> February £5 per ticket to include entry, drink, crisps, sweets and glow sticks. Families with 3 or more children only need to pay £10 for a family ticket. Please pay through Parent Pay – School Disco.  
 FS2, Years 1 and 2 – 4.30 – 5.30 pm  
 Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 – 5.45 – 6.45 pm

## Behaviour Policy

We have made some amendments to our behaviour policy. Many parents/carers will know that we have used a 'traffic light' system for rewards and consequences for a number of years now. We have spent a long time

evaluating this recently and have made the following changes. Every child will start every day on the St Francis logo. For anything they do well (including any positive behaviour, kindness to others, trying their best in lessons, etc) they will be moved up through bronze, silver and gold with rewards being awarded at each colour which have been determined by teachers with the children.



At St Francis, we focus on positive reinforcement, which is why we have taken away moving any child down to amber or red. Instead, because we know that all human beings make mistakes and should be given the opportunity to reflect on their choices and behaviour, if a child is not behaving under our three golden rules, they will be given a 'thinking bubble' to show them they need to improve their behaviour and give them time to make better choices. If the behaviour continues to go against our three golden rules, the child will be dealt with appropriately away from other children with an appropriate adult. These are very early days for these changes. Once we have had time to give these changes a go, evaluated them and are satisfied that this new approach is working, we will formally write this up in a new behaviour policy and share it with parents/carers.

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## Christmas Celebrations

What an amazing final week of the Autumn term we had here at St Francis. We were all so grateful that the EYFS and KS1 nativities could go ahead with live audiences along with our Advent Mass, Christingle Service and PFA Carol service. All the events were truly beautiful in very different ways, but they all held the true meaning of Christmas at the heart of them. Congratulations and thank you to all the children involved with these different events. Here is a selection of photos from those events.

