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# The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration



THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE 2022  
**BRADFORD**  
district celebrates



What a magnificent day we had on our last day of term to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee. From bouncy castles and ice cream vans to tasting wonderful homemade puddings and cakes by our talented children in The Great St Francis Bake Off - it was simply a fantastic celebration! It was wonderful to welcome so many parents/carers and wider families into school to share in it all. Thank you for all your support and positive messages. Congratulations to both the staff and children's choirs who performed brilliantly to end our celebration.



# TOGETHER WE ARE EXPLORING OUR SPECIAL GIFTS

## Merit Worship

Our Merit winners last week: FS1 – Aaryan; FS2 – Naomi; Year 1 – Archie; Year 2 – All Year 2; Year 3 – Ebony; Year 4 – Lucy; Year 5 – Abigail; Year 6 – Josh.

**Mrs Haines' Headteacher's Award:** Maisie – for excellent resilience and perseverance! Maisie has not let her broken wrist get in the way of anything – she is still producing top-notch writing. Wow!!

Well done everyone!!

## Big Cat Reading Award:

Eva – Being a reading superstar!! Just Wow!!!

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## Toy Request

The Student Council have a new venture. They are currently organising suitcases of different items to take out at lunchtimes to entertain the children. There will be a suitcase for comics and books, one for den building equipment and one for small toys. We are particularly low on toys, so if anyone has any dolls, toy cars etc. that would fit in a suitcase, please can you drop them off at the school office. Many thanks in advance.



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## Breakfast and After School Club Payments

**We respectfully ask all of our parents/carers to keep up to date with payments for both clubs and not run into arrears. We will be sending out reminder texts with details of outstanding payments. If you could please clear these arrears as soon as possible.**

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## Own Clothes Day – Mark 10 Mission

On Friday 24th June, we will be holding an own clothes day in school. The cost for this privilege will be £1 which will go towards the Mark 10 Mission. The Mark 10 Mission, in partnership with The Franciscan Friars of the Renewal, is an exciting new project for Catholic schools. Their aim is to share the Word of God with as many children as possible. Their liturgies shared online and in our schools bring children together to hear the Gospel, pray and worship. They are setting out on an amazing journey to bring the children of the UK to Jesus and we at St Francis and the BCWCAT Trust would like to support them in this mission.

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## Dates for Your Diary

Date	Time	Year group	Event
Friday 17/06/2022	All Day	All	PFA Rainbow Day
Wednesday 22/06/2022	09:30am	Year 3	Class Mass in church
Thursday 23/06/2022	09:00am	Year 1, 3 & 5	Poetry Performance – Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June
Thursday 23/06/2022	4:30pm - 5:30pm	FS2 & KS1	PFA Summer Disco (see below)
Thursday 23/06/2022	5:45pm - 6:45pm	KS2	PFA Summer Disco (see below)
Friday 24/06/2022	All Day	All	Own Clothes Day - Mark 10 Mission
Friday 24/06/2022		Year 6	Year 6 Leavers' Photo - full school uniform including ties
Wednesday 06/07/2022	All Day	Whole School	St Francis Transition morning for children
Wednesday 06/07/2022	3:30pm – 5pm	Whole School	Parents meeting with children's new teachers
Wednesday 06/07/2022	All Day	Year 6	Transition day for children going to SBSJ
Wednesday 13/07/2022	2pm & 6pm	Year 6	Y6 End of Year Performance
Thursday 14/07/2022	am	KS1	KS1 Sports Day + Nursery + Reception
Thursday 14/07/2022	pm	KS2	KS2 Sports Day
Wednesday 20/07/2022	10:30am	All	End of Year/Leavers Mass
Friday 22/07/2022	2:15pm	Year 6	Year 6 Leavers' Liturgy
Friday 22/07/2022		All	Break up for Summer
Tuesday 06/07/2022		All	Return to School

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## PE Uniform

Polite reminder that the following is our PE kit:

- plain navy blue or black joggers and sweatshirt
- white t-shirt
- plain navy blue or black shorts
- pair of pumps/trainers

Please do not send your children to school in football tops or any other clothing that is not our PE uniform. The children have all been reminded of this today. Many thanks.

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**PFA**

Our next event is the Summer Disco on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June:

- FS2, Year 1 & Year 2 – 4:30pm to 5:30pm
- Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6 – 5:45pm to 6:45pm



This will be set up on Parent Pay - £5.00 per child – this includes entry, drink, crisps, sweets & a glowstick.

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## Staffing Update

Mrs Byrne, one of our hardworking Lunchtime Supervisors, will be leaving us next week after 22 years of service to our school. We thank Mrs Byrne for her dedication, nurture and care for all of our children and for her many years of dedication. We currently have an advert out for a new Lunchtime Supervisor. Please see our website, under 'vacancies', for more information.

Mrs Jalil (Year 6 teacher) will be leaving us at the end of this year. She has decided to move to a school which is much closer to home but we are really pleased that she is staying in the BCWCAT Trust so we will be able to continue working with her in some capacity. We thank Mrs Jalil for her hard work over the last year as Y6 teacher and PE Leader and wish her the very best of luck in her new post.

Mr Duffy (our Reception Teacher) and Mrs Membe (our Y5 Teacher) both come to the end of their contracts with us at the end of this year. We wish them both good luck in the future and we thank them both for all their hard work and care for our children.

We are really looking forward to welcoming Mrs Horne and Miss Breen back from their maternity leaves later this term. Mrs Horne will return on Monday 29th June and Miss Breen will return on Wednesday 6th July.

In addition to this, we are very pleased to warmly welcome two new members of staff to the St Francis team. Miss Routh and Miss Arjamand will be joining us from September. They will both be in school at various times over the next few weeks, most importantly on our transition day on Wednesday 6th July.

As many of you know, Mrs Whitley, one of our long standing Class Teachers, has taken this year to spend time at home with her family for personal reasons. Mrs Whitley has decided to take another year away from school, which we fully support. We keep Mrs Whitley and her family in our thoughts and prayers.

## Staffing for September 2022

Nursery (FS1): Mrs Needs (mornings) Mrs Shields (afternoons)

Reception: Miss McDermott

Year 1: Ms Jennings and Miss Breen

## Year 2: Miss Oldfield

### Year 3: Miss Routh

## Year 4: Miss Britz

## Year 5: Miss Arjamand

Year 6: Mrs Horne

Miss Burgess, our Deputy Headteacher, will be supporting different classes throughout the year.

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**FRIDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> JUNE**



**FS1 & FS2 - RED**

**YEAR 1 - ORANGE**

**YEAR 2 - YELLOW/GOLD**

**YEAR 3 - GREEN**

**YEAR 4 - BLUE**

**YEAR 5 - PURPLE**

**YEAR 6 - PINK**

To take part please wear clothes in your class colour & bring a gift for a hamper in your class colour!



Help us raise vital funds for musical resources.

All donations will be used to make up rainbow themed hampers that will be raffled in the build up to the Summer Holidays!

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