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#### 14th November 2022



As this week is our Kindness Week, we look at John's Gospel in which Jesus gives his New Commandment: To love one another as I have loved you. We prayed together and set our mission for the week: Do one kind deed for someone who is not necessarily one of your friends.

Kindness Week has got off to a great start with 'Odd Socks Day' yesterday to celebrate our differences and uniqueness. We are looking forward to welcoming parents/carers into school on Friday afternoon at 2:15pm to celebrate all our work on Kindness Week with you.

On Sunday 20th November, we will celebrate our Y3,4,5 Family Mass at St Francis church at 11am. Of course, everyone no matter which year group your child is in is invited to come

along as always, but Y3,4,5 children will choose the hymns and lead the readings. We are hoping this will be a really family-friendly, uplifting occasion for our children and families in which we can all grow closer to God.

Children in Y3 and Y4 who wish to make their First Reconciliation or First Holy Communion next year need to pick up a form from Fr Anthony at Sunday Mass over the next coming weeks.

## COMING UP SOON ...

#### Wednesday 16th November, 11am-12:30pm

Y5 Come Dine With Me - A chance to come and share in a lesson with your child and then have lunch with them in the dinner hall afterwards. A Google form will be sent out this week for you to register so that we know how many people to cater for.

### Thursday 17th November

Non-uniform day. Children to bring in chocolate donations for the tombola stall at the Parish Christmas Fair, which takes place in school on Sunday 4th December.

#### Friday 18th November at 2:15pm

Come along to our special assembly to see what our children have been doing and learning about throughout out Kindness Week, with special performances from our children and staff choirs.

#### Sunday 20th November, 11am

Family Mass (Y3,4,5) at St Francis church, as outlined above.

#### Monday 21st November

Children are invited into school wearing red and white for England's first World Cup game.

> Thursday 24th November, 3:30pm OR 5:30pm KS1 Parent/Child Maths Workshops











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

CONGRATULATIONS to Lucas and Louisa in Y6 for receiving Mrs WELL DONE to all our Class Merit Winners last week

Haines' Headteacher award for preparing and delivering such a wonderful speech as Head Boy and Head Girl to our prospective parents. They were true ambassadors for our school.

CONGRATULATIONS to Ivana in Y1 for achieving the Big Cat Reading Award for excellent reading at home Ivana has an excellent attitude to read this off in her phonics and reading



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20	Diary Dates

Day	Date	Time	Year Group	Event
Monday	14th November	All week	All	St Francis Kindness Week (Anti-Bullying)
Tuesday	15th November	9:30am	Y2	Trip to Undercliffe Cemetery
Wednesday	16th November	11am-12:30pm	Y5	Come Dine With Me
Sunday	20th November	11am	Y3,4,5	Family Mass at St Francis church
Thursday	24th November	3:30pm OR 5:30pm	KS1 (Y1/2)	Parent and Child Maths Workshops
Thursday	24th November	All day	Y1	Trip to Industrial Museum
Thursday	24th November	N/A	All	Donate an edible Christmas themed price for the PFA Family Bingo Night
Friday	25th November	All day	Y5	Jorvik Viking Centre (York) trip
Tuesday	29th November	3:30pm	All	Mini <u>Vinnie's</u> Christmas Cafe
Thursday	1st December	6:15-8:15pm	All	PFA Family Christmas Bingo
Monday	5th December	9:30am-11am OR 1-2:30pm	EYFS (nursery/Re ception)	Advent Workshops
Tuesday	6th December	9:30am-11am OR 1-2:30pm	EYFS (nursery/Re ception)	Advent Workshops
Wednesday	7th December	9:30am	All	Advent Mass in school
Thursday	8th December	9:30am-11am OR 1-2:30pm	EYFS (nursery/Re ception)	Advent Workshops
Friday	9th December	All day	All	Christmas dinner and PFA Christmas Jumper Day
Tuesday	13th December	9am OR 2pm	EYFS (Nursery/Re ception)	Nativity
Wednesday	14th December	9am OR 2pm	KS1 (Y1/2)	Nativity
Thursday	15th December	6pm	All	PFA Carol Service in school
Friday	16th December	N/A	All	Break up

**EXTRA BANK HOLIDAY** There will be an extra bank holiday for the King's Coronation on Monday 8th May so school will be closed. for Y6. We are awaiting further instruction from the DfE and we will let you know the outcome ASAP.

#### **UNIFORM BANK**

To help our families during the cost of living crisis, we will be running a uniform bank week beginning 5th December. This will be an opportunity to get We know this is also SATs week nearly new uniform items if your child has already grown out of theirs or indeed lost it! If you have any uniform items to donate, please ensure they are washed and bring them to school no earlier than Monday 5th December.

FS2: Oliver	Y3: Emily
Y1: Arthur	<b>Y4: Layla</b>
Y2: Ava	y5: Grace
Y6: Rhys	





In November, We Remember

Poppies and other remembrance items are now on sale in the office and throughout the month of November. Our Remembrance Tree is now on display in our small hall. If you would like to bring in photographs of loved ones who have passed away to place on the tree and/or write a note of remembrance on one of the poppies to place on the tree, you are very welcome to do so. Please just come to the office entrance at your convenience.

#### PEUNIFORM

A reminder that our PE uniform is as follows:

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

All of these items are available at very cheap prices at local supermarkets.



Follow this link to our website for a list of warm spaces in our local area during this challenging time of rising cost of living: https://www.stfrancis.bradford.sch.uk/our-

school/piw

# Last Week in School,...

<u>JUMP Fun Days</u> Thank you to so many parents/carers who came along and took part in the fun days with the children. We hope you all enjoyed them!









<u>Women's Rugby World Cup</u> We were so proud to take 25 children be flag bearers at this wonderful event. It was a once in a lifetime experience and we even appeared on TV! Thank you to all the parents/carers for supporting this event.

<u>Book Club</u> Miss Britz was delighted to start her brand new book club last week with so many avid readers. We have wonderful bookworms in our midst at St Francis!











<u>Writing for Pleasure</u> This time, all of our children from Y1-Y6 wrote a response to a video of an animation linked to Remembrance Sunday. The different types of writing that the children produced independently was just wonderful!



# AILY CHRISTMA DOINGOO DOINGCOO Thursday, Ist December, 6.15pm - 8.15pm

BINGO

Tickets available only via ParentPay: £4 per adult

£2 per child

Ticket price includes pie and peas/hot dog/vegetarian option Drinks will be sold separately

TICKETS AVAILABLE UNTIL 25th NOVEMBER

Families are asked to donate edible Christmas items (selection boxes/mince pies, etc) to school on <u>Thursday 24th November</u> as bingo prizes