



ST FRANCIS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

'Recognising Christ in Everyone'

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Dear Parents & Carers,

Ascot Bake-Off

The children in Class Five participated in the Ascot Bake off school heats and the quality of their cakes, decorations and mood boards were incredible.

The challenge this year was to bring a twist to the classic tray bake recipe and wow did the children deliver.

We are delighted to announce that Team Bumble Bakes comprising of Jenna, Maeve and Ivy are going forward to represent St Francis at the Ascot Bake Off on Wednesday 18th March at Ascot Racecourse. We're sure they will have a fantastic day. Good luck!



Fire Brigade Visit Monday 2nd February

Reception class were excited to meet members of the Ascot Fire & Rescue Team. They learnt about the equipment stored on the fire truck including, hoses, fans, and buckets. They all got to sit inside the truck and ask and answer questions about the job of a Fire Fighter.

They also learnt that the team carry out water rescues too. At the end, the children saw the blue lights flashing and covered their ears to the loud sirens! A big thank you to the Fire Staff for making it such an enjoyable visit.



Class 5 had a fantastic opportunity to learn about fire safety from the Bracknell fire team. They taught us all about how to be safe and prevent fires as well as what to do if ever there was a fire at home. It was so exciting for some of us to try on the equipment that the firefighters have to wear. We even raced to see who could get the gear on in under 90 seconds!



Legami Pens

We have had a little conversation about banning these pens in school as there are too many issues with them. We have decided that our children's pencil-cases should not contain them. It should be just gel pens in their pencil-cases and colouring pencils. Thank you for your support with this.

St Francis School's Pancake Tuesday – 10th February 2026

As Shrove Tuesday is during half-term, next Monday 9th February each class will make their pancake batter as part of their Design Technology curriculum. Pancakes will be cooked on Tuesday 10th February 2026 with the help of our wonderful PTA.

As part of their homework, children will also design a healthy topping for their pancake. Please can you discuss with your child/ren what type of pancake toppings they wish to have and what makes it healthy. Please remember we are a *nut free* school, so no Nutella!

Please can the children bring in their *nut free* toppings on Tuesday 10th February to complete their pancake, which will then be eaten in class.

STEPS

The STEPS (Sorry, Thank You, Excuse me, Please and Smile) Award is given for wonderful manners shown around school to both staff, peers, and visitors. Please see below a picture of our children who received their awards recently.



St Francis Catholic Primary School Spring Term 2026	
February	
Monday 9 th	Class 5 to Mill on the Brue
Tuesday 10 th	Pancake Tuesday Event
Wednesday 11 th	Class 5 back from Mill on the Brue
Wednesday 11 th	Class R trip to Wisley Gardens
Thursday 12 th	Class 1 trip to Windsor Castle
Thursday 27 th	Ascot Grange – 15:00 -16:30 – Class 5/6
Monday 16th to Friday 20th	Half-Term
Wednesday 25 th	Church Leadership 11:00 Windsor
Wednesday 25 th	Class 2 trip to the Lookout
Friday 27 th	Class 2 photo frames
Friday 27 th	Class 3 Prayer stones
Friday 27 th	PTA Quiz Night – South Ascot Village Hall 7pm
March	
Wednesday 4 th	Class R Pretzels
Wednesday 4 th	Yr3 to Reading Museum
Friday 6 th	Class 1 Photo frames
Tuesday 10 th	Ascot Grange – 15:00 -16:30 – Class 5/6
Friday 13 th	Class 4 Mother’s Day Cafe
Friday 13 th	KS2 Choir to Ascot Grange
Tuesday 17 th	Parent’s Evening 16:00 -19:00
Wednesday 18 th	Ascot Bake Off Final
Thursday 19 th	Parent’s Evening 16:00 -19:00
Friday 20 th	Class 5 Car Wash
Thursday 26 th	Easter Bonnet Parade – EYFS & KS1
Thursday 26 th	Class 6 Enterprise Stalls
Thursday 26th	Last day of Term - 13:30 finish
Friday 27 th	INSET – Mother Teresa Catholic Academy Trust Day
April 2026	
Monday 13 th	INSET Day
Tuesday 14th	School Opens for all children 08:40

Attachments:

-Family of Faith Newsletter

-Ascot Durning Library half-term events – see attached flyers x 2

