



ST FRANCIS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

'Recognising Christ in Everyone'

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Dear Parents & Carers,

Class Three visit to Haslemere Museum

On Wednesday 17th June, Class Three went on a very exciting school trip to Haslemere Museum. They took part in an Egyptian Workshop where the children learned about life in Ancient Egypt and Mummies. It really brought to life the process of mummification. They were able to handle pretend organs and even mummify their own toys! The children enjoyed looking at real artefacts and taking part in fun activities such as games, exploring the museum and decoding hieroglyphs. As always, the staff were so proud of our Class Three children and the museum trip leader was very impressed by their knowledge and engagement throughout.



Class One trip to Painshill Park

As part of their Science topic about Plants, Class One children visited Painshill, an award-winning 18th century landscape garden. They had lots of fun playing games as tiny seeds dispersing into the landscape and then growing into terrific trees.

The children then used their imaginations and new-found knowledge to make some fantastic micro-gardens. Despite the heat Class One children and staff enjoyed exploring the landscape and discovering ancient trees and even visiting the crystal grotto.



Class Five Junior Music Festival

Class Five children and staff sung their hearts out in the Junior Music Festival on Thursday 18th June. They worked so hard to learn all 16 songs as well as the dances and even some Makaton signs!

All their hard work paid off as the performance was phenomenal. They represented the school incredibly well and all should be very proud as we are of each of them. A huge thanks to the staff that accompanied the children and have worked so hard with them – Mr Whately, Mrs Williams, Mrs Hoolan and Mrs Mosaid.



St George's Sports Day

This week Class Five children were invited to the Year Five sports day at St George's school. It was a fantastic day full of different sporting activities. Everyone tried their best and performed incredibly well.

Not only was it great fun, but we even managed to win a number of medals! Well done to our winners, Eifion, Lucho, Sophia, Maeve and Isabelle!

Egyptian Lego Experience

Class Tree had a wonderful time this week exploring Egyptian history through a lovely Lego workshop with Chertsey Museum. It was such a beautiful way for the children to learn, bringing history to life through the gentle joy of play. By building together, they discovered the stories of the past in a way that felt natural, creative, and truly engaging for their young minds



New School Mobile Phone Policy (September 2026)

From September 2026, children are not permitted to bring iPhones to school. Our Year Six children may bring a basic "brick" phone only for the purpose of safety travelling to and from school. Phones must be handed into reception at drop-off and children will collect their phones at the end of the day.

The research carried out shows that without smartphones, children have better focus, less anxiety, better social skills, and sleep better. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our school a focused, screen-free environment

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.

You will notice that we have changed our approach to awarding our STEPS badges. Every Celebration Assemble we awarded a badge to a child from each class, meaning that children up our school have numerous STEPS badges. We now will only award a STEPS badge to a child once, making this award very special indeed.

To achieve a badge the children will have to consistently show their exemplary manners to all in our community.

We hope that this will make our STEPS award a more highly coveted and treasured achievement.



TenTen

TenTen resources are used by us to enrich our Catholic faith and mission statement in our school. They are particularly useful for our Celebration of the Word and Collective Worship assemblies.

The parent newsletter is a lovely way of sharing this with you.

Please find below a link to the TenTen newsletter below:

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>

Also, please click [here](#) to view our parish website of Christ the King.

Get Active Summer Camps

One lucky family will win 4 Merlin Annual Passes, plus a whole summer of Get Active Holiday Camp for one child.

That means brilliant family days out, big camp memories, and one very happy little winner.

Already Booked for Summer? You're already in the draw.
Not booked yet? Now's the time to grab your child's place.

Every summer camp booking enters the giveaway, and our 20% offer is still live and auto applied at checkout until 6th July. Click [here](#) to book.

Football World Cup

England kick-off is at 1:00 am, so Monday morning might feel a bit blurry!

As our national team prepares to face Mexico, we are sending them every ounce of luck, energy, and roaring support possible. We know some families will be staying up incredibly late to ride every tackle and celebrate every goal.

Win, lose, or head into a nail-biting penalty shootout, we do have one gentle reminder for our wonderful school community: school will open as normal on Monday morning.

While we fully support a bit of football fever, "celebrating a historic victory" or "nursing a broken heart" won't quite pass as an official absence excuse. We expect all children and staff to be in school on Monday, regardless of how much sleep was lost.

However, as a little gesture of kindness for those brave enough to stay up for the 1:00 am start, we will not mark children late up to 10:00 am. This gives everyone a tiny bit of extra breathing room to squeeze in a sleep-in or finish that vital extra cup of coffee.

Because of the later arrival times, please note our lunchtime arrangements for Monday: children must bring a packed lunch, or you must phone the school before 9:30 am if you wish to order a school lunch. We want to make sure everyone gets fed, even if the morning routine is a bit upside down.

Let's cheer the team on to victory, enjoy the drama, and we will see you all on Monday morning. Come on, England!



Reflection

Heavenly Father,

Thank you for bringing us safely to the final stretch of this school term.

As energy runs low and the days feel long, I ask for your strength to see these last few weeks through.

Grant us patience when fatigue sets in.

Give us clarity and focus to finish every task well.

Calm any anxiety or stress, and fill our school environment with peace and kindness.

Please keep our children, staff, and families safe, healthy, and protected in the days ahead.

Renew our energy each morning, and help us finish this term with joy and gratitude.

Amen

Have a lovely weekend and see you all at our Summer Fair on Sunday.

Mrs Miccoli & the St Francis Team



St Francis Catholic Primary School Summer Term 2026	
July	
Monday 6 th	Class Six Play - Rehearsals at St Mary's – All day
Monday 6 th	New starters -September 2026 induction afternoon
Tuesday 7 th	Class Six Play - Dress Performance to School -13:30
Tuesday 7 th	Class Six Play - Performance to Parents -18:00
Tuesday 7 th	New starters -September 2026 induction afternoon
Thursday 9 th	Police talk on safe use of technology – Classes 5 and 6
Friday 10 th	Sport's Day
Friday 10 th	Memories through Art Display
Monday 13 th	End of Year Reports home to parents
Tuesday 14 th	Moving up Morning 09:30 to 12:00
Wednesday 15 th	EYFS September 2026 Parent's Evening -18:00
Thursday 16 th	Leaver's Mass 10:00
Friday 17 th	Class Six Leavers Assembly – 11:00 -12:00
Friday 17 th	Last day of term -13:30 finish

Attachments:

- Charters School Literacy Festival – 4th July 2026
- MermaidsPirates Show (10% discount offer) with code MERMAIDSCH10
- Our lovely Street Dance Teacher, Kelly, is holding a **Dance Workshop** on 23rd July at St Joseph's school. Please see attached flyer for more information.

