



ST FRANCIS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

'Recognising Christ in Everyone'

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Dear Parents & Carers,

St Francis of Assisi Feast Day Mass

We warmly invite all families to join us at 10:00 in St Francis of Assisi Church on Monday, 5th October, for a special school Mass to celebrate our patron saint's feast day.

This beautiful service will be proudly led by our Class 5 children. It promises to be a deeply meaningful community occasion, as we will also be joined by parishioners who are departing on a pilgrimage to Assisi. They have kindly offered to take our St Francis school banner and all of our children's and family's prayers with them to the holy site.

We look forward to coming together in faith and celebration, and we hope you can join us.

Christ the King Parish Community Novena

As part of our wider Christ the King Parish community, our school will be participating in a special Novena running from Sunday, 4th October to Tuesday, 13th October.

This powerful period of prayer beautifully connects our entire parish, covering both the Feast of St Francis of Assisi on 4th October and the Feast of St Edward on 13th October.

To help your family join us in this community prayer, printed leaflets detailing the Novena will be sent home today, Friday 2nd October. We encourage all families to participate at home as we unite our intentions with the rest of the parish.

Junior Leadership Team 2026-2027

Choosing this year's leaders was an incredibly tough decision for our staff, as every single child who put themselves forward was absolutely amazing. The voting was exceptionally tight, reflecting the high calibre of all the candidates who applied.

I am incredibly proud of everyone who took part, and I am greatly looking forward to working closely with Eleanor, Anita, Jude and Seb to bring their ideas to life.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Together, we raised an amazing £230.00 for Macmillan Cancer Support. We are overwhelmed by the wonderful generosity of our families, who went above and beyond



with an incredible array of delicious cake donations. Your kindness, whether through baking, buying, or donating, made the event a huge success and will make a real difference to those facing cancer.

Windsor Musical Event

On Monday, we were treated to a special concert by Canadian cellist Mr. Michael Song, who performed Bach on a magnificent instrument over 250 years old! Organised by Mr. Martin Denny, founder of the prestigious Windsor International String Competition, the duo generously volunteered their time, sharing expert insights into the cello and praising our pupils for their exceptional behaviour and engagement. You can enjoy listening to Mr. Song's performances at home by visiting the recordings available on his website: <https://michael-song.com/>

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. Seb (Yr6) Ada (Yr3), Theo (Yr3), Nahla (Yr4) and Margot (Yr1) have all been recently awarded their STEPS badge.

Uniform Expectations

Starting Monday, 5th October, all children are expected to transition to the full winter uniform.

Thank you for your cooperation and effort in preparing your children for the start of the new academic year. As we settle into the term, we would like to remind families that our full uniform policy is always available for reference on the school website.

We take great pride in the heritage of St Francis, and our distinct uniform reflects our shared values and identity in the community. To maintain these high standards, please ensure your child adheres to the following specific winter guidelines:

- Footwear: Children must wear appropriate, formal school shoes. Please note that trainers and boots are not permitted unless accompanied by a medical note from a doctor.
- Shirts and Blouses: Children should wear simple, standard school shirts and blouses. Fancy blouses, including those with elongated or oversized collars, are not allowed.

Thank you for your ongoing support in ensuring our children represent St Francis with pride.

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/>

Berkshire Music Trust

The Berkshire Music Trust offers various forms of financial support—including Fee Remissions (70% to 100% discount): —to ensure music lessons are affordable and accessible.

Support is available for families who meet certain criteria, which typically fall into these main categories:

- Pupil Premium/Income Support: those whose families receive certain benefits (like Tax Credits/Income Support).
- Support for SEND Students: Children with an EHCP, IEP, or relevant documentation may be eligible to receive individual lessons at the group lesson rate if they would benefit from this due to additional needs.
- Looked After Children or Asylum Seekers

To find out what you qualify for and how to apply, please contact the Berkshire Music Trust directly via the website below with details of your circumstances. They will confirm your eligibility and guide you through the application process for the relevant support fund.

[Support With Fees - Berkshire Music Trust](#)

Reflection

God,
enlighten the darkness of my heart
and give me
true faith,
certain hope,
and perfect charity,
sense and knowledge,
Lord, that I may carry out
Your holy and true command

Amen.

God bless, see you all on Monday, have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Miccoli and the St Francis Team

Community:

- Park to Pro – October Half-Term camp flyer attached



St Francis Catholic Primary School
Autumn Term 2026

October	
Monday 5 th	St Francis Feast Day Mass - Class 5 – 10:00 in Church
Friday 9 th	Buddy Assembly - Class 6 and EYFS
Sunday 18 th	Lions Club Swimathon (PTA Event)
Monday 19 th	RWInc Development Day
Monday 19 th	SALT in all day
Tuesday 20 th	Parents Evening 16:00-19:00
Tuesday 20 th	No Get Active Care (After School) and Enrichment Clubs (After school)
Thursday 22 nd	No Get Active Care (After School) and Enrichment Clubs (After school)
Thursday 22 nd	Parents Evening 16:00-19:00
Monday 26th to Friday 30th	Half -Term
November	
Monday 2nd	CPD - RWInc Staff Training Day- School Closed
Tuesday 3 rd	Children return to school
Thursday 12 th	Ascot Grange 15:00-16:30
Monday 16 th	Anti-Bullying Week -Odd Sock Day
Friday 20 th	'Break the Silence' Assembly
Wednesday 25 th	Open Morning 09:30 -11:00
Friday 27 th	Children's Tour of School 09:00
Friday 27 th	Parents Tour of School 15:00
Monday 30 th	Flu Immunisation Back-Up Day
December	
Tuesday 1 st	Nativity Dress Rehearsal 14:00
Wednesday 2 nd	Nativity Performance 14:00
Thursday 3 rd	Nativity Performance 18:00
Tuesday 8 th	Immaculate Conception Mass – 10:00 Class 4
Tuesday 8 th	Key Stage Two Carol Concert Dress Rehearsal 14:00
Wednesday 9 th	Open Morning 09:30 -11:00
Thursday 10 th	Key Stage Two Carol Concert 18:00
Wednesday 16 th	Christmas Lunch & Jumper Day
Thursday 17 th	Panto for EYFS, KS1 & KS2
Friday 18 th	Christmas Holidays – School Closes at 13:30
January 2025	
Monday 4 th	CPD for staff – School closed
Tuesday 5th	School Opens for all children 08:40