



ST FRANCIS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

'Recognising Christ in Everyone'

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Friday 14th March 2025

Dear Parents & Carers,

PTA Wonka Golden Ticket Event

The Wonka Golden Ticket Event was a huge success raising an impressive £2250 before costs and including fund matching from NatWest Bank through one of our parents. The money raised is going towards improving the PE/play equipment across the school. Thank you to our PTA and all involved.

Our school choir sang beautifully at this event and we know parents thoroughly enjoyed listening to them as they collected their children.

Pancake Tuesday

Thanks to Mrs Critchley, her team of helpers and the school kitchen staff, this event was once again an amazing success.



The children had a “flipping” great time! And so did the staff.

Food Bank Collection

Class One will be organising a collection for the Bracknell Food Bank, run by the Trussel Trust, on the morning of Wednesday 2nd April. We will send out a list of required goods closer to the date. All items to be dropped off at 08:40-08:50am in the Gazebo.





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World Book Day

Last week ended on a very positive note as every class joined in on World Book Day activities. The range of costumes was colourful and the children expressed themselves through characters from books wonderfully. In addition, they shared their learning with real passion through their artistic ability on redesigning book covers for their favourite books.



Reception



Year 1





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Year 2



Year 3





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Year 4



Year 5



Year 6 Girls





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Year 6 Boys

Class R – Windsor Forest Trip

Last Wednesday Reception went on their first trip and spent the day in a real forest! The Forest site is located inside Windsor Great Park. The children had amazing fun and were a credit to the school. The sun shone all day long... The children enjoyed bug hunting, den building, bark rubbing, exploring, climbing and balancing along fallen trees. We were singing 'we're going on a bear hunt' and even a searched for the Gruffalo! We enjoyed a big picnic lunch sitting on wooden logs at base camp and hot chocolate and marshmallows to finish the day!

A huge Thank You to everyone who helped to make it such a wonderful experience and hopefully something the children and adults will remember!





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Caterlink

We have been informed by our school meal suppliers Caterlink, that school dinners will increase by 10p per meal from the 1st April 2025. The new price will be £2.79 per meal. The annual inflationary price increase will also take place as usual in September. A copy of the new menu, commencing in the Summer Term, is attached to our newsletter.

TEN TEN

Ten Ten 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 Ten Ten February newsletter

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

Guardian Consultations

Appointments for Guardian Consultations on Tuesday 25th and Thursday 27th March will be live on Arbor from Monday 17th March at 19:00 and will close on Sunday 23rd March 2025. Please ensure you make an appointment with your child's teacher.

Ascot Bake-Off Competition – Class 5

On our 4th year of attending the competition the standard has gone from strength to strength, the theme was 'Picnic in Ascot with a twist'.

This year we were spoilt with so many novel ideas like homemade rhubarb jam, a full 3D horse and jockey made of avocado, s'mores in the shape of horse's heads, cookie dough scotch eggs, stain glass flame design on cupcakes, incredible vegan cakes that were shaped as apples, a wonderful tangy raspberry drink and hummus that was actually a cinnamon ice cream. So, as you can imagine competition was fierce.

After much deliberation we chose The AD Way – Aoife and Danielle with an excellent representation of the 'twist' element.





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We look forward to attending the final at Ascot Racecourse next Thursday 20th March with their amazing spread on. Wish them luck if you see them!



Cake Sale

Our next cake sale is on May 2nd and is being led by Class Three.

Reception Class	£230
Class One	£203
Class Two	£310.77
Class Three	
Class Four	
Class Five	
Class Six	
St Francis Staff Team	





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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 the children who received their awards recently.



Absences Add Up

We want all children to attend and enjoy school. 98% means outstanding attendance. Good attendance is 96%, which is the minimum we would expect. Missing two days a month means a child misses 10% of the school year.





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Attendance	%
Reception Class	96.7
Class 1	95.5
Class 2	95.5
Class 3	96.1
Class 4	94.1
Class 5	95.8
Class 6	95.3
School Average	95.5

Attend today, achieve tomorrow. Be part of our 98 Club.
Join the 98 Club!

Reflection



an **IRISH** Prayer

May God give you...

For every storm, a rainbow,
For every tear, a smile,
For every care, a promise,
AND A BLESSING IN EACH TRIAL.
FOR EVERY PROBLEM LIFE SENDS,
A faithful friend to share,
For every sigh, a sweet song,
And an answer for each prayer.

God bless,
Mrs Miccoli & the St Francis Team





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St Francis Catholic Primary School Spring Term 2025	
March	
Monday 17 th	St Patricks Day
<i>Monday 17th</i>	<i>Guardian Consultation Bookings open – 19:00</i>
Tuesday 18 th	Class Two Trip to Legoland
Wednesday 19 th	Class Three Trip to Reading Museum
Wednesday 19 th	EYFS Health Screening in Hall 09:30-11:30
Thursday 20 th	Class 5 Ascot Bake Off Final - TBC
Sunday 23 rd	Guardian Consultation Bookings Close – 23:59
Tuesday 25 th	Parent Evening 16: 00 – 19:00
<i>Wednesday 26th</i>	<i>Disco bookings open on Arbor under "Clubs" – 19:00 (max 60 children per event Yrs 1-3 and Yrs 4-6)</i>
Thursday 27 th	Parent Evening 16: 00 – 19:00
April	
Tuesday 1 st	Disco bookings close – 12:00
Tuesday 1 st	Maths Curriculum Evening – 18:00-19:00
Wednesday 2 nd	Disco - KS1 (3:00-4:15) / KS2 (4:30-6:00)
Wednesday 2 nd	Trussel Trust Food Bank Collection (Gazebo 08:40am)
Thursday 3 rd	Easter Hat Parade – Key Stage One and EYFS
Thursday 3rd	Last Day of Spring Term – Finish at 13:30
Friday 4 th	MTCAT INSET – All staff
Monday 7 th	Easter Holidays start
Tuesday 22 nd April	INSET Day
Wednesday 23 rd	First Day of Summer Term – 8:40 start for all

