



# St Francis of Assisi Catholic Primary School

Newsletter—No.24

Friday 17th March 2023



At St Francis of Assisi Catholic Primary School, God is at the heart of our school. We try, everyday, to follow Jesus' commandment 'Love one another as I have loved you'. We do this through love for our families, our friends, and our school. We respect our environment and recognise our responsibility for it. We encourage in each other a love of learning. We rejoice in each others' uniqueness. We place prayer and worship at the centre of everything we do. We are a community of love dedicated to God. Our school is somewhere we can grow together.

Dear Parents and Carers,

As the crocuses and daffodils bloom, another busy week has passed in school. It has been wonderful to hear the rehearsals of Years 3 and 4 as they get ready for their Easter Production next week - I can't wait! The stage is set, the costumes are out and it's not long until curtain up!



This week Father Raymond came back into school again to deliver reconciliation as we remember this special time of Lent and God's unconditional love.

The new St Francis Sensory Room is open!

Time in a sensory room helps children improve their visual, auditory and tactile processing, as well as fine and gross motor skills. By providing a sense of calm and comfort, sensory rooms help children learn to self-regulate their behaviours, which ultimately improves focus.



Thank you to Miss Strudwick and Miss Coaker for their vision and hard work to set this up for our children.

I hope you all have a wonderful Mother's Day on Sunday.

With warmest regards,

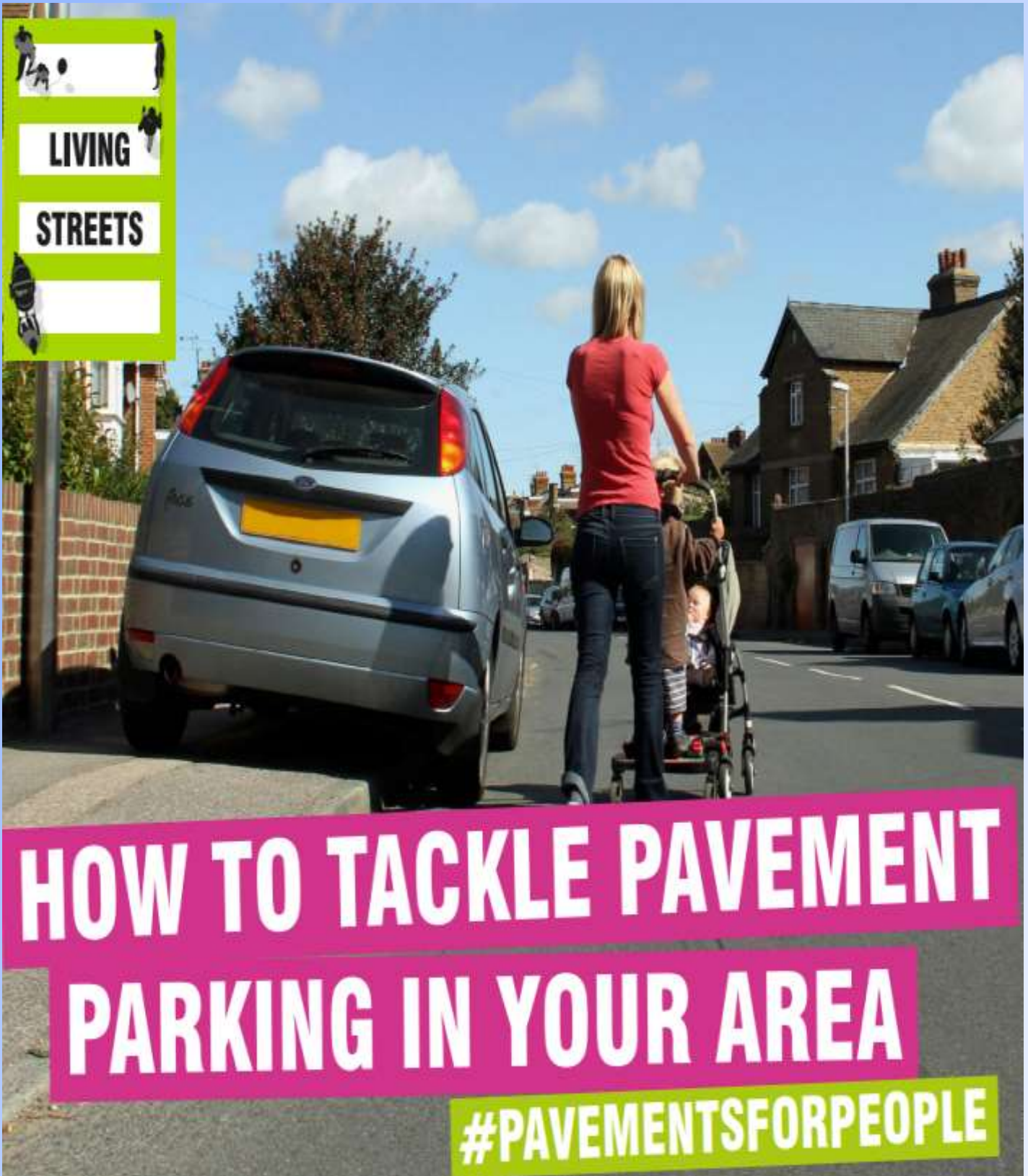
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


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A reminder to stop doing this -  
it is illegal and dangerous.

## Phonics workshop

Thank you to the parents and carers who attended Mrs Ternouth's phonics workshop on Monday. It was a great opportunity for grownups to learn how we teach phonics and better support reading at home   



## Mother's Day Sale

A massive thank you to the PFA for organising the Mother's Day Sale.

This was a huge success and the children really were very excited to get their primula plant.

We are enormously grateful to the PFA for all their support for the school.



## Message from the Eco council:

Recycled art competition!  
We would like you to make a piece of art out of recycling you have at home. This might be cardboard, plastic bottles or lids or anything else you have at home that you would recycle. We would like you to base your art on a nature theme or a message about looking after our world. Mostly we would love to see your creativity and imagination.



Please bring your entries into school on the first Monday back after the Easter holidays. There will be a prize!

## PFA News

Thank you to all of those parents and carers who volunteered at the School Discos and the Mother's Day Sale. The events success is due to the help and time you have given.

## Easter Egg Hamper Raffle Donations

We are asking for donations of Easter eggs to be given to the class teachers throughout next week. These will then be used to create hampers for a big class raffle for the children, on the last day of term. All Easter donations will be greatly received. Please see the poster or Facebook (Crawley - Parents & Friends of St Francis) for further details.



Thank you to St. Newman Class, Mrs Williams, Miss Coaker and all the families who joined us for their assembly this week.

St. Newman's assembly focused on Lent. The children shared the message of Easter being the most important time of the year as we remember the death and resurrection of Jesus, and they discussed the ways in which we prepare for this holy time.



## Diary Dates

### March

**20-24** –Year 6 Osmington Residential

**Tues 21**—Year 3 &4 Easter Production 6pm

**Wed 22**—Year 3 & 4 Easter Production  
9.15am

**Fri 24**—Last Year 4 Swimming this term

**Sun 26** - Headteacher Induction Mass at the Friary 12.15pm



Congratulations to  
St Francis Class  
for achieving  
99% attendance this week.



St Mary: Leah Carvalho  
St Joseph: Sienna Spratt  
St Francis: Keira Li  
St. Anthony: Oscar Perol  
St. Bernadette: Milo Sharp  
St. Clare of Assisi: Naina Kamal  
St. Therese of Lisieux: Aiyla Ahmad  
St. Vincent de Paul: Pola Kavsadze  
St. John Paul: Evanmee Manuel Peiris Waduge  
St Maximilian Kolbe: Maddison Orton  
St. Newman: Sophie Wanyika  
St Philip Howard: Moses Hamid  
St Peter: Henry Bromham  
St Paul: Oscar Winiecki



St Mary: Leondre Chery Furtado  
St Joseph: Holly Bailey  
St Francis: Ansh Chaudhari  
a-St. Anthony: Anaelle Ineza  
St. Bernadette: Adam Jaskiewicz  
St. Clare of Assisi: Kimberly Rodrigues  
St. Therese of Lisieux: Annie-Rose Harrison  
St. Vincent de Paul: Mollie Mae Brooker  
St. John Paul: Franciella Pinto Rakibe  
St Maximilian Kolbe: Ambra Mulilo  
St. Newman: Elizabeth Bray  
St Philip Howard: Nikola Suchenia  
St Peter: Arthur Balestrini  
St Paul: Luke Charman

### Child Protection and Safeguarding

At St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Primary School, we are committed to promoting the welfare of all our pupils, ensuring they feel safe and can place their trust and confidence in any adult that is working in, volunteering for or visiting the school.

The designated Safeguarding Leaders at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Primary School are Mrs Winton, Miss Strudwick and Miss Chester.