



# St Francis of Assisi Catholic Primary School

Newsletter—No. 3

Friday 22nd September 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,

I hope this newsletter finds you all well. What a windy, rainy week!

This week the children enjoyed a Spanish assembly as Spanish teacher Susanna, led a fantastic interactive assembly where everyone had a go at singing in Spanish. Keep your eyes peeled for info on this new club which will start after half term. There will be beginners Spanish club, held every week, after school.

Our wonderful PFA met this week to plan for exciting events which will be starting soon. This year promises to be full of fun including discos, dress down days and other TOP SECRET events which will raise money for the school and allow the children to have fun and memorable experiences. Thank you to the PFA for holding the "new parents coffee morning" today. Please find the PFA on Facebook:



Speaking of Facebook, don't forget to follow us - St Francis, Crawley, for all the latest info.

We will be collecting non perishable food for Crawley Open House this Harvest. Please bring tins, packets etc into school from Monday. On 6<sup>th</sup> October, the Harvest collection will be taken to those who need it. Thank you in advance for your help.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

Warmest wishes,



Mrs Winton

# OPEN MORNING

**Tuesday 3rd October and Wednesday 8th  
November 9.30am**

This is for children applying for a place in Reception Class next September 2024.

Please call the school office to make an appointment.

## Wellies and Waterproofs Donations!

We would love to build a supply of spare wellies and waterproofs for Forest School.

If you have any to donate in the following sizes, please drop them in to the school office.

Wellies size 1, 2, 3, 4

Waterproof trousers size 7-8, 9-10, 11-12.

Thank you!

Mrs Rankin



St Wilfrid's Catholic School

## Open Evening

For Prospective Parents and Children in Years 5 & 6

**Thursday 12th October 18:00-20:15hrs**

There will be opportunities for you to tour the school and meet some of our wonderful students and teachers.  
Headteacher's talk at 19:30hrs

**All are welcome!**

We welcome applications from families who share our commitment to education of the whole child high standards of appearance and behaviour; with the dedication to achieve the very best examination results possible.



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Headteacher: Michael Ferry



## Is your child eligible to start school in September 2024?

You can apply online from Wednesday 4th October 2023

If you would like further advice or information, phone 03330 142 903

Deadline: Monday 15th January 2024

As you are aware, we have a NO nut policy in school. Please can I ask parents to ensure that snacks and packed lunches are free from food items that may contain nuts. This includes sandwich fillings such as Nutella/Peanut Butter.

We have now updated this to include SESAME. We have children with severe allergies who are at risk of anaphylactic shock.



## Diary Dates

### September

**Mon 25**—Year 6 residential

**Mon 25**—Year 4 Curriculum Meeting 3pm in the school hall

**Tues 26**—Raccoon class assembly at 9.05am—parents/carers/grandparents are welcome

### October

**Tues 3**— Open Morning 9.30am for 2024/25 intake (please call to make an appointment)

**Wed 4**—St Francis Feast Day Mass 9.15am – parents/carers/grandparents welcome



Congratulations to Toucan, Meerkat, Seal and Wallaby Class for achieving 99% attendance this week.



**Koala:** Jacob Mihajlisin  
**Wallaby:** Holly Bailey  
**Penguin:** Lacey O'Flaherty  
**Seal:** Ansh Chaudhari  
**Meerkat:** Mihir Parekh  
**Zebra:** Laura Vieira  
**Armadillo:** Lenny Brown  
**Raccoon:** Ellie Balestrini  
**Leopard:** Freddie Oram  
**Panda:** Julianne Simon  
**Toucan:** Poppy Mitchell  
**Alpaca:** Sophie Wanyika



**Koala:** Filip Galazka  
**Wallaby:** Jarren Besa-Bicol  
**Penguin:** Benjamin Pratt  
**Seal:** Keira Li  
**Meerkat:** James Drain  
**Zebra:** Benjamin Bogus  
**Armadillo:** Favour Benjamin  
**Raccoon:** Mithuran Jaishankar  
**Leopard:** Aaron De Heredia  
**Panda:** Theo Wynter  
**Toucan:** Sebastian Kaput  
**Alpaca:** Nila Mahesan

### 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, Miss Date