

# St Francis of Assisi Catholic Primary School

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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.

## End of term finish is Wed 27th March at 1pm

#### A word on communication

Before I begin this week's newsletter, I would like to say that the reason we have a school newsletter is to share the wonderful things that are happening in our school (self-love is important - we promote it with the children also), to celebrate achievements in our school community and to give key information. Parent Mail's go out in addition to this as well as updates on Facebook and the website calendar. There are lots of things that go on at school - it's a very busy place! I ask that kindness and tolerance are displayed when communication errors are inadvertently made, or dates need to change. Thank you

#### Other news from this week

Thank you to Meerkat Class for a wonderful assembly all about one of my favourite subjects...food! It was informative and made everyone very hungry!

On Wednesday, Reception were delighted to spend an afternoon with 3 ducklings. There was a little paddling pool in the classroom and the children loved watching them splashing about. Thank you to Friary Pre-School for sharing their little treasures.







Our Geography subject leaders Mrs Wadie and Miss Hatton have installed a weather station in our Forest School area. Please make sure that this is not touched as it affects data collected by the children. This fantastic resource will strengthen the children's geographical fieldwork skills.

#### Staffing

We have to sadly say goodbye to Miss Commins today. She has been covering Zebra Class so far this year while Mrs Jones has been on maternity leave. We would like to thank her for all her hard work and dedication to the school. We wish her all the best in her next chapter. Mrs Jones will be back to school on Monday.

#### Safety

A reminder to not come into the school carpark between the hours of 7.30am and 4.30pm. There was nearly an accident yesterday as someone was driving out of the entrance as the exit barrier was down. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Finally, I hope you all have a wonderful St Patrick's Day this weekend. We celebrated St Patrick's House today as the children from that house could wear something green. The children also learned about St Patrick in assembly today.

Take care and warmest wishes,

Mrs Winton





## Keeping children safe online

# A Parent's Guide to Cyberbullying







### Many young people who are victims of cyberbullying suffer in silence.

They feel they can't turn to parents or a trusted adult for support as they fear they may get in trouble or have their devices taken away from them. It can carry on all day, all evening and all weekend for the world to see, causing a lot of emotional stress to the victim and their family.



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It can very quickly lead to the victim feeling trapped, scared and vulnerable to grooming and blackmail.



## Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.

Parents please contact your school to enquire attending their next e-safety workshop or have any concerns.

Working with Home Office 'PREVENT', The Police and Crime Commissioner and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to help keep children safe online.

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Please note that the school will close for Easter at 1pm on Wednesday 27th March Please make sure you collect your child promptly.

Thank you.

The Ark
After School Club
Wednesday 27th March
Please note there will be no
After School Club
on Wednesday 27th March as the
school will close at 1pm for the Easter
Holiday.





## **Photographs**

The school photographer will be in school on Monday 18th March at 9.00am to take Class photographs.

All children should come to school in their school uniform. There will be no PE that day.

Years 3 & 4 Easter Production of

## 'The Easter Story'

Monday 25th March at 3.45pm Tuesday 26th March at 9.15am

Programmes for the Year 3 and 4 Easter Production will be on sale after school in the small hall on Monday 18th & Tuesday 19th March priced £2.00.

They will then be available to purchase from the

school office.

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## **Lost Property**

We have had a girls/
ladies black patent
loafer shoe (size 5)
handed into the
office
If this belongs to
you please can you
come to the
office to
collect it.
Thank you

#### ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY





Congratulations to Panda & Zebra Class for achieving 100 % and Wallaby for achieving 97% attendance this week.

Perfect Punctuality Pizza slice awarded to: Ladybird, Wallaby, Seal, Penguin, Meerkat, Zebra, Armadillo & Toucan Classes.

# **Diary Dates**

#### March

Mon 18—Class Photos

Tues 19—PFA Break the Rules Day

Thurs 21—Reception Trip to Wake-

hurst Place

**Fri 22**—Last Year 4 Swimming for Spring Term





Ladybird: Maham Khan Bumblebee: Jaxson Elton Koala: Jacob Mihajlisin Wallaby: Mia De Taylor Penguin: Danae Olulari Seal: Alexandra Dudas

Meerkat: Sebastian Mrowiec Zebra: Joey Awolaran

Armadillo: Tristan Popiel Raccoon: Ethan Maskell Leopard: Iga Olesinska Panda: Luka Wozniak Toucan: Sebastian Kaput Alpaca: Lavina Dorley



Ladybird: Nathan Tavares
Bumblebee: Nathan Mendes

Koala: Jessica Rusu Wallaby: Holly Bailey Penguin: Edward Johnston

Seal: Isla Jolley

Meerkat: Natalia Napoli Zebra: Vinayak Pillai Armadillo: Sophie Baker Raccoon: Debbie Wong Leopard: Ruby Imregi

Panda: Thenuka Pushparajah Toucan: Jayden Anandan Alpaca: Gemma Mulilo

#### **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 and Mrs Jones