



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,

I hope you have all had a positive week. It has been lovely to see the sun again! This week we had our school photographs, everyone looked very smart! I can't wait to see the pictures. Forest School started again this week, and it was great to see the children enjoying the outdoors.



FRIENDS OF ST FRANCIS
A COMMUNITY IN CHRIST



<https://www.facebook.com/groups/806677796020050/>

The new Friends of St Francis fundraising group has been set up. Please find us on Facebook by clicking on the link, or by scanning the QR code. Updates will also be on these newsletters as and when events take place. There is a meeting in school on **Monday 30th September** in Seal Classroom for anyone who would like to get involved and find out more. This is a fantastic opportunity to be part of something new - all are warmly welcome. Thank you to Miss Hartfield who has donated four beautiful hampers for future raffles.



Clubs are all well underway now. Please remember that the outer gates are locked at the end of pick-up so all parent/carers need to be off the playground area. Thank you for your understanding.



Don't forget to donate non-perishable items for our harvest collection. Two very worthy, local causes will be in receipt of your generous donations. Please either bring into the school office or send in with your child (ren) to give to the class teachers.

Rabbit run

If you have an outdoor rabbit run you are able to donate to the school, please let us know. Oreos outdoor run needs replacing. Thank you in advance.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

My sister is getting married this weekend and I can't wait!

Warmest wishes,

Mrs Winton



OPEN MORNING

Tuesday 1st October, Wednesday 6th November and Tuesday 26th
November at 9.30am

This is for children applying for a place in Reception Class
next September 2025

Please call the school office to make an appointment.

SCOOTERS AND BIKES

Please can we remind you that children are not permitted to ride scooters
or bikes on the School site at the beginning and end of the school day.

In order to keep our pedestrians and smaller siblings safe, could we
ensure scooters and bikes are only used when they have left the
school grounds.

MUSIC LESSONS AT ST FRANCIS

The beginning of the school year is a great time to take up instrumental or singing lessons. Here, at St Francis, we have a fantastic team of teachers offering lessons to pupils from Year 2 onwards at the school. There are a variety of instruments to learn how to play: piano, keyboard, guitar (classical, acoustic, electric or bass), drums, violin, woodwind and brass instruments, and also how to set and use your singing voice correctly. Our peripatetic teachers are qualified and experienced professional musicians whose primary aim is to create lessons that are child-centered and engaging to inspire students to learn and get involved in music.

These are our providers of music lessons at St Francis:

Mr Alex Hedley – guitar and ukulele. To apply please contact Mr Hedley directly on 07876065727.

Love Music School – piano, keyboard, guitar, electric guitar, bass guitar, ukelele, drums and singing. To apply please visit www.lovemusicschool.co.uk

West Sussex Music – piano, keyboard, violin, woodwind and brass instruments. To apply please visit www.westsussexmusic.co.uk

Miss Zoe Lui - piano. To apply, please contact Zoe via email: drumhk2020@gmail.com

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY



Congratulations to Seal Class for achieving 97% & to Alpaca Class for achieving 99% attendance this week.

Perfect Punctuality Pizza slice awarded to: Bumblebee, Koala, Penguin & Zebra Classes.

Diary Dates

September

Fri 20 - Easy Lunch food tasting 3.00-3.30pm

Mon 23 - Fri 27 - Year 6 Residential to Osmington Bay

Thursday 26—Year 5 Ancient Greek Day

October

Tues 1— Open Morning for 2024/25 intake 9:30am (please call the school office to make an appointment)

Thurs 3—EYFS Curriculum Meeting for parents 2.30pm

Fri 4—St Francis Feast Day Mass— 1.45pm— parents/carers/grandparents welcome



Koala: Amelia Michalska
Wallaby: Molly-Mae Casimir
Penguin: Antonia Vartejanu
Seal: Victoria Haxho
Meerkat: Riya Mistry
Zebra: Emanuel Benchea
Armadillo: Milan Silva
Raccoon: David Ijeh
Leopard: Lenny Brown
Panda: Mithuran Jaishankar
Toucan: Luis Julio Pena
Alpaca: Eden Jacques



Koala: Francis Kirwan
Wallaby: Imogen Baillie
Penguin: Patrick Quinn
Seal: Max Lisowicz
Meerkat: Helena Zagaja
Zebra: Dani Malkowska-Dias
Armadillo: Gia Joseph
Raccoon: Frank Dawson
Leopard: Max Scioiano
Panda: Chloé Follette
Toucan: Ruby Imregi
Alpaca: Kenzie Mutagaya

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