

# St Francis Newsletter 3rd July 2026



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*Compassion ~ We love and care*

*Humility ~ We put others first*

*Responsibility ~ We do what is right*

*Inspiration ~ We think big and shine bright*

*Solidarity ~ We stand together*

## First Holy Communion

Thank you to the parents, grandparents, and other family members who joined us for our **Going Forth Mass**. This special occasion gave the children who have recently celebrated the Sacrament of **First Holy Communion** the opportunity to wear their special clothes once again, share their memorable experience with the school community, and enjoy a celebratory breakfast afterwards. We are very grateful to **Father Peter** for leading such a wonderful and meaningful celebration. As we continue to support our children on their faith journey, we are reminded of Jesus' words:

*"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these"* (Luke 18:16).

This was a joyful and blessed occasion for all who attended.





## Sports Day

Our Sports Days were very well attended, and the weather was perfect for the occasion. After last week's intense heatwave, this week brought ideal conditions for the children to take part and enjoy the events.

Yesterday, our KS2 children participated in eight different events, including hurdles, vortex throwing, and triple jump. The morning concluded with the highly anticipated relay races, which provided plenty of excitement and enthusiastic support from spectators. Congratulations to **St George's House (Red Team)** for winning the Sports Day Cup this year. Every child demonstrated outstanding effort, determination, and excellent sportsmanship, making us all incredibly proud.

Our KS1 and EYFS children also enjoyed a marvellous Sports Day this morning. They took part in a range of fun activities and events, showing great enthusiasm, perseverance, and teamwork throughout. It was wonderful to see so many smiling faces and to celebrate the achievements of all our children. Well done to everyone who took part! 🏆 🏃 ♀ 🏃 ♂











## Move-up Day

On Wednesday, we held our annual **Move-Up Day**, giving all children the opportunity to spend time with their new teachers and teaching assistants ahead of the new school year. It was a wonderful opportunity for everyone to become familiar with their new classrooms, routines, and expectations.

Our Year 6 pupils also enjoyed an exciting day at their new secondary schools, taking an important step as they prepare for the next stage of their education. Meanwhile, our new Reception children joined us for a Stay and Play session. They were all incredibly brave and settled in so well, impressing staff with their confidence and enthusiasm.

As I visited each classroom throughout the day, I was delighted to see calm, happy, and purposeful learning environments everywhere. The children embraced the experience with positivity and maturity, making it a fantastic success and a great start to the year ahead. We are all looking forward to September with confidence and excitement.

## Summer Fair

**Thank you from  
Friends of St Francis**

*What an Amazing  
Summer Fair!*

Amount Raised

**£3,743.67**

We are so grateful to every parent,  
teacher, volunteer, and family  
who made our Summer Fair such  
a success!

**CLICK HERE TO SHARE  
YOUR FEEDBACK!**

Alternatively go to:  
<https://forms.gle/QnVdzTGkLJTFirA7>

Want to get involved or volunteer for other events?  
We'd love to hear from you!

Email us at [friends@stfrancisassisi.org.uk](mailto:friends@stfrancisassisi.org.uk)  
or speak to a member of the school team.

## Unclaimed Raffle Prizes

We have two unclaimed raffle prizes for ticket numbers **04885** and **02202**.

If you have one of these winning tickets, please come to the office to collect your prize.

## CLUBS

Just a reminder, that all clubs (**except for Monday's Girls Football, Monday's Coding Club and Friday's Spanish Club** which finish next week) are now finished.

Please collect your child at the normal time.

## After School Club - Friday 17th July

Please note there will be no After School Club on Friday 17th July as the school will close at 1pm for the Summer holidays.

Please can we ask that all children are collected promptly. Thank you.

## Diary Dates



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### July

**Fri 10** - Last swimming Lesson for Year 4

**Fri 10** - Year 6 Leavers Party - 3.20pm- 5.00pm

**Mon 13** - Pre-Loved Uniform Sale (3pm)

**Mon 13** - Year 6 Production at 6pm

**Tues 14**- Pre-Loved Uniform Sale (8.40am)

**Tues 14** - Year 6 Production at 6pm

**Thurs 16** - End of School Mass at 9.00am

**Thurs 16** - Lost Property (3pm)

**Fri 17** - Leavers Assembly at 9.00am

**Fri 17**- Year 6 Final Farewell @12.30

**Fri 17** - End of term **1pm FINISH**

## Attendance and Punctuality



Congratulations to Panda Class for achieving 99% this week, and to Bumblebee Class for achieving a fantastic 100%.

Perfect Punctuality Pizza slice awarded this week to Ladybird, Armadillo, Panda and Alpaca Classe

Remember we are a nut-free school



Final thoughts



Although Sports Day has now come to an end, there are still two exciting weeks left of the school year, with so much to look forward to. We have special assemblies, our school production, and a number of other treats planned for the children.

Year 6 will be visiting St Wilfrid's once again, and we are also looking forward to welcoming CAFOD, who will be delivering a special assembly to share the incredible work they do in supporting communities around the world.

Next Friday, school reports will be sent home. Please keep an eye out for these and take some time to celebrate all that your child has achieved this year.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. I hope you have a wonderful weekend.

Warmest wishes,

Mrs Winton

## 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**

# Should I keep my child off school?



## Yes

### Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

## No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Scarlet fever
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



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### Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrc0.de/minfex>.

# BEAT THE GOALIE WINNERS!



A BIG THANK YOU TO EVERYONE THAT TOOK PART AT OUR BEAT THE GOALIE COMPETITION AT THE ST. FRANCIS SUMMER FAIR!



**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR TWO WINNERS!**

★ WELL DONE, JOSH AND KIERAN – GREAT SHOTS! ★



**WINNER!**  
Josh



**WINNER!**  
Kieran

## COME AND JOIN DEVILS FC!

We are a friendly, welcoming football club for boys and girls aged 4-14. Whether you're new to football or love the game, there's a place for you!

**SIBLINGS CAN TRAIN TOGETHER!**

- MAKE NEW FRIENDS
- LEARN NEW SKILLS
- HAVE FUN & STAY ACTIVE
- BE PART OF A TEAM



**OUR SESSIONS**  
SATURDAY FOOTBALL CLUB & LITTLE DEVILS (4-14 YEARS)  
Fun, friendly sessions for all abilities!

**3 DAY SUMMER CAMP**  
29, 30 & 31 JULY  
9AM - 3PM  
• £27 SINGLE DAY  
• £45 FOR 2 DAYS  
• £65 FOR ALL 3 DAYS  
(INCLUDES PIZZA PARTY AT FINALE!)

**PLAY & PLAY - NO JOINING FEE OR CONTRACT!**  
**£5 PER SESSION**

**#STRONGERTOGETHER**  
Our values & identity of our football club are represented by our purposeful motto. We strive to have unity, build friendships & have fun. This is not just a football club, this is a family.  
**WE ARE DEVILS FC**

**GET IN TOUCH!**

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