

## School Newsletter 29.01.24

**School Vision:** As a church school, we aspire to live life in all its fullness; Loving Faith. Loving People. Loving Learning. - following the footsteps of Jesus.

*'I have come to give you life in all its fullness.'* John 10:10

**School Values:** love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

### Collective Worship - Our thinking!

This half-term, we are focusing on the value of 'COURAGE'.

This morning, we took the opportunity to think about behaviour linked to values. We recalled our learning about 'generosity', 'compassion', and 'courage'.

We spoke about the phrases 'being bothered' and 'standards of excellence'. We spoke about how everyone is responsible for following the school rules as each of us is a part of the whole.

Children took time to reflect on how their personal behaviour and attitudes support the ethos and culture of St. Francis.

We linked values and behaviour to using manners, being polite and showing care for our school. We said that this should be automatic.

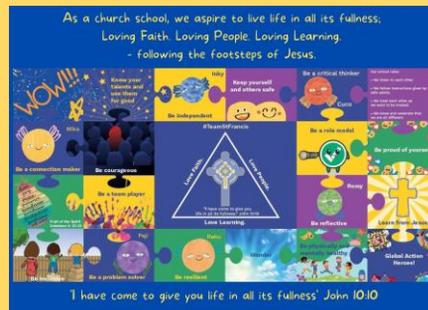
### Talk to your child(ren) about...

Talk about our school rules. Why are rules important? Which rules are you great at showing? Are there any rules that you need to work on?

Our school rules:

- We listen to each other.
- We follow instructions given by safe adults.
- We treat each other as we want to be treated.
- We know and celebrate that we are all different.

How can you live a fulfilling life this week?



### Picture News (Link to Website)



What do you think?

Why is it important to balance 'Individual Liberty' with 'Mutual Respect'?



#### Individual Liberty

We can choose what clothes we wear and what we do with them when we no longer want or need them. It is important to remember our actions have consequences, which can affect the environment.

[Click here for more information about British Values.](#)



Which Protected Characteristics are in your family?

### Upcoming Dates....

Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> January	14:45-15:25	Cherry Tree Library Visit	Year2
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	15:30-16:30	Messy Church: Lent	EYFS, Year1, Year2 and Year3
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	All day	Mental Health Workshops (Details TBC – opportunity to join your child's class workshop.)	Whole School
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	9:00-9:30	Internet Safety Day: Parent/Carer Presentation	Whole School
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	14:45-15:25	Cherry Tree Library Visit	Year3
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	15:25	PTA Krispy Kreme Sale	Whole School
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	15:25	School Closes for Half term	Whole School
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	10:30-11:15	St. Francis Church Parade	All welcome



Please check your ParentPay balances.

### Device Check Night!

Do you know what is on your child's device(s)? If you have not checked in a while - please do it tonight.

- ✓ Do you know your child's device codes?
- ✓ Do you know everyone in the contact list?
- ✓ Are the appropriate settings to disable live location enabled?
- ✓ Is the content on different apps appropriate?
- ✓ Check each social media channel - is the content appropriate?
- ✓ Check each social media channel - are the people your child is connecting with appropriate?
- ✓ Are the photos/videos on the device appropriate?
- ✓ Is your child being safe online?

[Click here](#) to download the complete Spring Term dates. We will release the Summer Term dates around the February half-term.

### Some Key Website Links

[Term Dates](#) / [PE Days](#) / [Curriculum information](#) / [How to contact us](#) / [Breakfast Club](#) / [After School Club](#) / [Policies](#) / [Parent/Carer Partnership Dates](#)

### Crossing Patrol – Preston Old Road

Thank you to those who have already filled out our short survey. If you still need to fill out the form to show your views on the need for a School Crossing Patrol, please do so by clicking the link - [School Form](#). Please share this form with your peers.

### Uniform Policy

This is a reminder about our new [Uniform Policy](#), which was shared with you before the Christmas holidays and is now on our website. Please continue to take note of this and ensure your child's uniform matches the policy. If you have any donations of uniforms, please bring them to the school office. If you require a school uniform, please check out the uniform shop at the entrance – you can take anything for free.

### Theatre time – Aladdin

There is a special treat happening this week. On Friday, a theatre company will perform Aladdin at the school.

### Children's Mental Health Week

Attached to the email with the newsletter is a poster about Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February. There will be an inflatable brain in the hall! Children will be learning about strategies to support good emotional and mental health. Join us for the whole-school assembly and the relevant year group workshops.

### Adult Learning

Please visit Blackburn's adult learning website and explore the latest course programme brochure. [Click here](#).