

St. Francis Church of England Primary School

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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

Friendship is...

 \mathbf{F} inding things to do together

Relying on each other

Impossible on your own

Enjoying being together

Depending on someone else

Sharing hopes and dreams Happiness and laughter

Never selfish

Including others

Precious

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

Collective Worship - Our thinking! As we embark on a new half-term, we shift our focus to a new value-FRIENDSHIP. This value holds immense importance in our lives and it's crucial for us to understand its dynamics. This process is made even more challenging as our children are emotionally developing and maturing.

Friendship is an important skill, but it is like English and math, as there is a learning process. Being a good friend is tricky! Navigating friendships, including the ups and downs, is challenging. It is made more challenging given the age of

primary school children. We started looking at the acrostic poem for friendship. Again, this highlights the challenges of being a good friend. How do you promote healthy friendship learning?

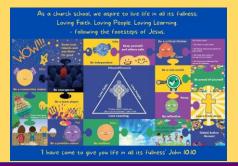
Talk to your child(ren) about...

Have a look at the friendship poster and talk about what you see.

Read the bible verse together and chat about the meaning.

What does it mean to build each other up?

> How can you live a fulfilling life this week?





Click here for more information about British Values.



Which Protected Characteristics are in your

Upcoming Dates			
Monday 15 th April	08:45	School Re-Opens	Whole School
Week beginning 15 th April		End of Spring Term data report	Whole School
Monday 22 nd April	15:30-16:30	FUNDA Cricket Club starts - first of 5 weeks	Year3
Monday 22 nd April	15:30-16:30	Coding Club with Miss Reynolds – first of 5 weeks	Year3 & Year4
Tuesday 23 rd April	15:30-16:30	FUNDA Cricket Club starts- first of 5 weeks	Year5 & Year6
Tuesday 23 rd April	15:30-16:30	Gardening Club with Mrs Shorrock – first of 5 weeks	TBC
Tuesday 23 rd April	15:30-16:30	OPAL Play Club with Mr Kewley – first of 5 weeks	TBC
Wednesday 24 th April	14:45-15:25	Cherry Tree Library Visit	Year5
Wednesday 24 th April	15:30-16:30	FUNDA Year Y5/6 Football Training	Year5 & Year6
Wednesday 24 th April	15:30-16:30	Parent/Carer Viewing Work	Whole School
Thursday 25 th April	15:30-16:30	FUNDA Cricket – first of 5 weeks	EYFS & Year1
Friday 26 th April	09:00-15:25	Trip Bring Yer Wellies	Year3
Friday 26 th April	15:30-16:30	FUNDA Cricket Club starts- first of 5 weeks	Year4



Click here to download the complete Summer dates. Please note that the summer date list has been updated. The most up-to-date version has a 15.04.24 date at the top, so you do not use an older version!

Some Key Website Links

Term Dates / PE Days / Curriculum information / How to contact us / Breakfast Club / After School Club / Policies / Parent/Carer Partnership Dates

Welcome back!

I hope you have all had a great Easter holiday! It is great to welcome our children back together!

Uniform

Our children must be wearing the correct uniform. As we start back in a new half-term, please ensure you remind yourself of our uniform policy and ensure your child(ren) is/are in the appropriate uniform. If a child is not in the correct uniform, a slip will be sent home to identify this. Please remember to visit our school uniform rack in the entranceway. Information about our uniform can be found here.

Contact Details

If your contact details (telephone number, address, email) have changed, then please ensure you inform the school office.

Spring Term Data Reports

Spring Term Data reports will be sent out on Friday, April 19th. Our system has a new feature of sending them out via email. This will significantly reduce the workload surrounding reports and save trees from printing, so I hope it works! If you have not received your report link email by 3:30 p.m. on the 19th of April, please alert the office.

Swimming news

To give you a little update regarding swimming, we have some good news: our site is suitable for the Pools To School company. This means we will now work with the company to arrange a suitable block of time to book the pool and ensure our children have the opportunity to learn to swim. For your information, the pool will be staffed with a lifeguard and a swimming teacher.

ParentPay Accounts

Please clear any outstanding debts. Contact the school office if you have questions about your child's

Attendance and Punctuality

Mrs Forrest, our Inclusion Officer, continues to monitor attendance and punctuality. Please aim for your child's attendance to be 96% or above. Your child's attendance percentage will be included in the Spring Term Data reports on the 19th of April.

Meetings will be arranged with Parents/Carers where attendance is a concern so we can work together to improve.

Please remember that your child needs to be through the gate before 8:50 a.m. Good punctuality at this age ensures that children develop good habits. It also ensures that your children do not miss out on any learning, and it helps our teaching staff by not repeating instructions and activities for children who are late.

School Dinners



After School Clubs - Summer 1

Please note that the after-school clubs running for Summer 1 are open for booking until Friday, the 19th. Check out the survey section on the School Spider App. If you can book your child, they have a space. If not, unfortunately, the club is already full. **Family Hubs**

Blackburn with Darwen has launched a new website that harnesses their offer to support parents/carers, including parenting courses. Welcome | Family Hubs Test (familyhubsbwd.org)

Music Lessons

Mrs Kolosova has spaces for children to learn the piano or keyboard. If you want to book this for your child, please see the flyer below.



#TeamStFrancis News - CONGRATULATIONS!

Some may already know, but Miss Reynolds has been busily preparing and organising her wedding over the last year. During Easter, Miss Reynolds became Mrs Wrigley-Reynolds!

Congratulations! We wish you and your husband a lifetime of happiness!







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