



St. Francis Church of England Primary School

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School Newsletter

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.

Date: 20.03.23

Collective Worship - This week...

We continued with the Blackburn Diocese resource—thinking about the times Jesus said “I am...” We looked and thought about the time Jesus said “I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved.” *John 10:9*

The children engaged their spiritual thinking and thoughts around Faith this morning as they thought about the meaning of what Jesus was saying. Children were able to talk about different faiths and that some people do not have a faith. Some children spoke about their faith and how they trust in Jesus. As we are in a season of Lent, some children linked this ‘I am’ sentence to the Easter story when Christians believe Jesus died so that all who believes in Him can have a relationship with God.



Talk to your child(ren) about...

What does ‘Faith’ mean to you?

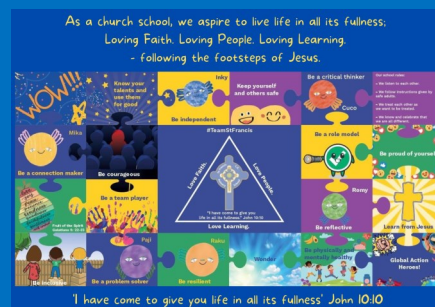
Do you know someone with a faith? What would you ask them?

What do you think about Jesus?

How do you show respect, understanding and tolerance to those with a different faith (or someone with no faith) to you?

Is there anyone you would like to think about or pray about?

How can you live a fulfilling life this week?



Picture News: (<https://www.stfranciscep.co.uk/page/picture-news-at-home/84388>)



Mutual Respect and Tolerance

My behaviour, actions and words can affect others. Volunteering is an action that can affect others in a positive way and help make a difference to their lives.

Upcoming Dates

Monday 20th March - Viewing work in class and teachers available to answer questions - 3:30-4:30pm

Tuesday 28th March - Year 5 Let's Go Sing performance to the school—All parents/carers welcome to come and watch! - 9am

Tuesday 28th March - Year 3 class and Mr Higginson's music tuition pupils performance - 2:30-3:15pm

Thursday 30th March - Year 4 Easter Performance - 2-3pm

For more dates, please go to: <https://www.stfranciscep.co.uk/page/parentcarer-partnership/128152>

Children's Attainment and Progress - Key Dates

Please attend your child's class today between 3:30-4:30pm to see your child's work. Please note, the class teacher will be present to speak to you about any aspects of your child's work.

Spring Term data reports will be sent home on Wednesday 19th April. This will include an attendance and punctuality report.

Strike Action Update

At present, there are no further planned strikes and as unions and government meet in the coming weeks, it has been said no more will be organised. If this changes, I will let you know and again any strike day will be planned based on the information I have.

Absence Reporting

Obviously we want children in school as much as possible (aiming for 96%+) but accept that some times children are ill. On these days, in line with our policy, please report your child as absent before 8:45am so the registers can be completed accurately. Unreported absences cause a lot of additional workload for the staff in the office, which is not necessary. Please telephone and leave a message or use the School Spider app.

Head@Email

The <head@stfrancis.blackburn.sch.uk> has been deleted. If you wish to contact Mr James Kewley, please do this via the office. If you have emailed this address recently, please re-direct your email to the office.

Uniform

The uniform is outlined in our prospectus and on our website, however, this information will be harnessed into an official uniform policy. This will mean a tighter monitoring of children's uniform will take place and parents/carers contacted if their child's uniform is not in line with policy. It is important that families do not deviate from the uniform list as this can cause upset between families and children. If you are struggling financially and need some support around the cost of uniform, please speak with us. There is also a free uniform shop in the entrance way - please check this out and take any items that match your requirement. If you have old (appropriate for another child) uniform that is no longer needed, please send this in washed to be added to the uniform shop.

Food Poverty

We recognise that with the current cost of living crisis and that this is not reflected in wage and benefit increase, this could leave some families struggling to eat. If this is you, please contact us as we may be receiving some additional funding (specific to food) to support.

- 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.

