



# St. Francis Church of England Primary School

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## School Newsletter

**School Vision:** Our aim at St. Francis Church of England Primary School is to guide our children to live fulfilling lives, rooted in the values taught by Jesus based on the gospel value of love for one another.

**School Mission Statement:** Love Faith. Love People. Love Learning.

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

Date: 25.06.2021

### Worship Theme

We continued our current theme of 'diversity and equality' with clear links to a couple of our school rules:

- 1) We treat each other as we want to be treated
- 2) We know and celebrate that we are all different

This week we spoke about disability and that a number of people face additional challenges in their life because of their disability. We spoke about discrimination and how some people can treat disabled people unfairly and sometimes show unkind and disrespectful behaviour.

In the words of one of our children: "Disabled people are people and deserve to be treated fairly and kindly like everyone else!"

### Speak to your child about:



What does 'diversity' mean?

What does 'diversity' look like?

Why is 'diversity' so important?

What does the rule 'We treat each other as we want to be treated' mean and look like?

What does the rule 'We know and celebrate we are all different' mean and look like?

How important is it to speak up and out about disability discrimination?



### Picture News: <https://www.stfranciscep.co.uk/page/19-20/84388>



## British Values

21<sup>st</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> June 2021

### Rule of Law

There are laws in place so that people use e-scooters safely. If e-scooters become more popular in the future, laws may have to change to protect members of the public.



## School Uniform

The school's uniform is a unisex uniform and any items can be worn by either gender. Please note 'G/W' next to an item of clothing means this is available at Grays and Whitakers uniform shop. Other items, if available and unbranded, can be bought from any shop.

Year EYFS to Year 5:

NOTE: Changes to the uniform colours in line with PE kit will be made for September 2022.

- White, blue or gold school polo shirt G/W
- Royal Blue school sweatshirt / cardigan G/W
- Navy blue or tartan skirt or pinafore dress
- Blue check dress with white socks may be worn in the summer months
- Grey trousers / shorts
- White, navy blue or grey socks
- White or navy blue tights
- Black shoes (these can be plain black trainers for the whole week)

Year 6:

- White shirt, school tie and a knitted navy blue jumper or cardigan

### P.E. Kit

At St Francis, children must attend school in the following PE kit on their PE days or days in which they have a sports club. This kit will also be used for educational visits if appropriate and also days involving more outdoor learning.

- Gold, purple or royal green t-shirt (logo options) G/W
- Royal blue hoody or zip-up hoody (logo options) G/W
- Plain (unbranded) navy joggers or leggings
- Plain (unbranded) navy shorts
- Plain trainers (Velcro if child is not able to tie shoe laces)

## Jewellery

Items of jewellery can cause serious accidents. Therefore, children are asked not to wear jewellery (necklaces, earrings, bracelets, friendship bands) in school for safety reasons. Watches are permitted. Children will NOT be allowed to participate in P.E. / Games / Swimming lessons if they are wearing any sort of the above items because of potential injury to themselves or other children. Watches should be removed and long hair should be tied back for P.E. and Games. It is recommended that children who have their ears pierced should do so at the beginning of the summer holiday. This will enable adequate healing time before returning to school at the start of the school year.

### Class Photograph Orders

If you are wanting to place an order for a class photograph, please have these back to the office by Monday 28th June.

### COVID Restrictions

Due to the COVID-19 restrictions continuing and the fact our Local Authority risk assessment is not changing, we cannot allow any events to take place on the school grounds. We are all hoping and praying that come September, the restrictions of bubbles have lifted and are able to complete the performances and events we desperately want to feed into our offer here at St. Francis.

### Sports Week - Next Week

It is sports week next week. Although, we cannot have any parents on site with an organised sports day, the children will continue an element of sport across the week. **Please can ALL children be in their PE clothes all week next week.** We will hopefully be able to capture some photographs and videos to share. I know it is not the same but for now, we want to prioritise public health and minimising the risk of class closures.

### ParentPay - Debt / Outstanding Payment

Please clear any outstanding payments on your ParentPay.

## Early Reading - EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 Reading Lessons and Phonics Teaching and Learning

This is an advance notice that we will be changing some of the systems that we operate by to teach children early reading, including phonics from September 2021. We will still be using Letters and Sounds, however, we will be moving across to the revised version. The revised version allows for better progression of learning and the purchasing of books that match directly to the revised progression. The revised version is also based on solid learning science that will be forming the basis of our new teaching and learning policy from September.

The revised Letters and Sounds will require much paperwork to be updated. As soon as this is ready, we will send this out to you. The revised Letters and Sounds will also change how we operate home reading. More information will be sent out as soon as we can. It is very exciting though and will continue to strengthen our practice here at St. Francis.

## Reading Records

From September 2021, we will be moving away from paper reading records and using Purple Mash's reading record. The focus of this will be for children to record their reading not a communication tool between home and school. Parents/Carers are asked to use their child's year group email address, speak with the teacher at the end of the day or call the school to have a communicate with school.

## After-School Club (ASC) News

Please see poster below for more information regarding PALS who will be running our ASC from September 2021.

**PALS Play And Learn Scheme**

**AFTERSCHOOL CARE CLUB AT ST FRANCIS C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL, CHERRY TREE LANE, BLACKBURN, BB2 5NX**

**MISSION STATEMENT:**

**Provisions:** We aim to provide a happy, positive environment where children can feel safe and secure at all times.

**Attitudes:** By developing effective relationships with peers, teachers, parents and guardians we aim to improve the community and enhance the community spirit.

**Learnings:** By providing a stimulating and engaging learning environment, our aim is to develop children mentally, physically and emotionally.

**Self:** We want to promote a child's self-esteem, development and confidence using constructive dialogue and positive attitudes.

**FOOD AND DRINK:** Children are offered a picnic meal which includes a sandwich, biscuit or cake, fruit and a drink.

**USEFUL INFO:**

**Tax Credits** - As a registered childcare provider you can claim tax credits for all your childcare costs. Just quote the Ofsted number and the school details when you apply. We can also provide a statement of the childcare costs paid for evidence if needed.

**Childcare Vouchers** - We are able to accept childcare vouchers as payment for your fees. When booking, please ask your provider to make electronic payments directly into our account.

**£8.50 PER DAY**

**ACTIVITIES:**

BOARD GAMES CARD GAMES PUZZLES  
FOOTBALL DANCE GO NOODLE  
OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES LEGO ICT  
ARTS AND CRAFTS CONSOLE GAMES BRIO  
FANCY DRESS CINEMA CLUB PLUS MANY MORE

For further enquiries please email: [playandlearnscheme@gmail.com](mailto:playandlearnscheme@gmail.com)  
**How to book > [www.pals.schoolipal.co.uk](http://www.pals.schoolipal.co.uk)**

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## Celebration Worship

Any PROUD MOMENTS or GLOBAL ACTION HEROES? Please send to <[head@stfrancis.blackburn.sch.uk](mailto:head@stfrancis.blackburn.sch.uk)>. The link for Celebration Worship is: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73030624557?pwd=TFFrZc9aNDM3V0ZWVUyNTZnRWxwUT09> You are most welcome to join us at 2.45-3.10pm each Friday afternoon.

## School Facebook Page

If you have not done so already, please like our Facebook page.

@stfrancisprimary

## Positive COVID Test or Symptoms of COVID?

If your child(ren) develop any COVID-19 symptoms or tests positive, please report this to school by emailing us at: <[covid19@stfrancis.blackburn.sch.uk](mailto:covid19@stfrancis.blackburn.sch.uk)>.

Thank you!

Please note, school term finishes on Friday 16th July at 1pm. In preparation for this, we ask that all school books are returned on Friday 9th July.

Have a lovely weekend and see you Monday for the start of a brand new week.  
Mr Kewley

