



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: 09.07.21

Worship Theme

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

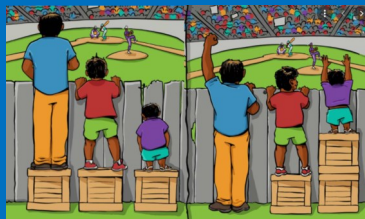
- 1) We treat each other as we want to be treated
- 2) We know and celebrate that we are all different

This week we spoke about poverty. We looked at what different people can be poor in or from. We looked at what Jesus modelled in terms of caring for the poor. The bible shows us that Jesus rejected cultural norms to embrace people that society had pushed to the margins. Among those people can often be poor people. The Bible is full of verses expounding on God's heart for the poor. We spoke about ways we can do the same!

Speak to your child about:



What does the following picture make you think of?



Pray

Lord Jesus, help us follow you to the edges of society, where people are lonely, suffering, and in great need. Let us give freely with appreciation for all you've given to us at no charge.

Pray

Great King, help us to cultivate the compassionate heart and attitude you require toward children and families in need. Remind us to regularly share of our bounty with people who have much less.



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



British Values
5th – 11th July 2021

Mutual Respect

Climate change is causing our oceans to get warmer. We can all help to protect the special places in our world.

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:

- 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

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

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.

FOOTBALL - COME ON ENGLAND!

What can we learn from football?

England Captain, Gareth Southgate

It has been an extremely difficult year. Everyone in this country has been directly affected by isolation and loss. But we have also seen incredible examples of human and animal spirit. It gives us all a new understanding of the strength of life and what really matters. When you think of the great athletes of sports, perhaps football doesn't seem so important. And what really matters to me is to be a part of something bigger than myself.

There's something I tell our players before every England game, and the reason that I repeat it is because I really believe in it. It's about the spirit of the game, the spirit of the team, the spirit of the nation. It's about the spirit of the people who support the team.

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As you know, England are playing in the FINAL of Euro 2020 on Sunday evening. This is momentous occasion and we want families to support England and celebrate without the worry of being late for school the following day! We did have some very tired children last Wednesday! On Monday morning, I will keep the registers open until 10.30am so no children will be marked as late until this point. If your child is ill and will not be attending school, please contact school as you would normally. For those children or families who are up bright and early, we will be here for the normal times so breakfast club and start of the day will be unchanged.

COME ON ENGLAND!
FOOTBALL IS COMING HOME!



A look ahead to next academic year...

This year has been all change for obvious reasons. We have had to change elements of the school day that we would never have changed, however, some of the aspects have worked and helped the smooth running of school. Plans have not been finalised, however, the following is what is highly likely to happen:

Morning procedure: We will remain with the system of dropping children off at the gate. The gate will open at 8.45am with the absolute expectation that all children are through by 8.50am. Gates and external classroom doors will close at this time and children arriving after this time will be marked as late.

Playtime: Playtime in the morning will go back to 'normal'

Lunchtime: We will continue the current set up, however, we will look to reduce the number of outside zones to allow for one zone with a mix of children. Children will rotate through the open zone and closed zones working with a sports coach.

Afternoon collection procedure: The gate will open at 3.25pm. Children will be let out coming up to 3.30pm. Children who are still at school at 3.35pm will be taken to after-school club (ASC) and parents will be charged for a full session of ASC.

Collective Worship: We are going to have a hybrid of online and face-to-face worship. Monday and Friday will remain online and children will gather in the hall on a Wednesday and Thursday. Tuesday will remain in-class Worship.

Please note, all of the above is dependent upon national AND local guidance.

Millie's Smiles - Whole School Charity Fundraiser

A huge thank you to all of the local businesses listed below for the donations of prizes and selling of raffle tickets. We have raised just over **£600** for Milly's Smiles Charity!

Educational Printing Services Ltd - Blackburn

The Salon - Redlam Blackburn

Nibbles - Cherry Tree Blackburn

Fogarty's Insurance - Blackburn

Serenity - Feniscowles Blackburn

Hair by Jaimee Knight - Blackburn

Twisted Interiors - Feniscowles Blackburn

Cuckoo Gin Distillery - Brindle



For more information about Milly's Smiles:

<https://www.millyssmiles.org/>



PTA - Dare to Be Different Day

A huge thank you to the PTA members for organising Dare to Be Different Day behind scenes! Thank you to all of our AMAZING parents/carers to doing such a good job! Well done #TeamStFrancis!

ParentPay Accounts

We have 72 accounts on ParentPay with money owing. We need to finish the academic year with all accounts settled. Please check you account and transfer the relevant funds.

Punctuality

We have noticed that punctuality is an issue currently and this will become a focus next year. Children arriving after 8.50am on a regular basis will require a meeting with a member of the safeguarding team so a team approach can be applied to improving punctuality. We want to ensure the right attitude is grown and children do not start their day confused as they have missed vital and important learning tasks right at the beginning of the day.

Tyres! We need tyres!

Do you have old tyres or can you contact your local car garage to see if you can get a hold of tyres for our site. We want to use them as a border a long our fence and plant wild flower seed. If you have any spare tyres or are given some by your car garage, please check that they are safe (no nails etc.) and then simply bring them to school and we will place them where we want them.

THANK YOU!

After-School Club (ASC) News

Please see poster below for more information regarding PALS who will be running our ASC from September 2021. Please note, this will be a 3rd party registered independently with Ofsted. All administration for booking and paying for the club will need to be completed through PALS. The school will not be able to book children on to the club and all existing children MUST sign up with PALS. I have met the new ASC manager - I am VERY excited at what this ASC is going to offer.

PALS Play And Learn Scheme



£8.50 PER DAY

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

Wrap around care club for Reception - Year 6
3.30pm - 5.45pm Monday - Friday

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
How to book > www.pals.schoolipal.co.uk

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MISSION STATEMENT:
Provision: 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.
Learning: 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.

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.

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



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SportsCool
HOLIDAY CLUB
Multi Sports

We are pleased to announce that SportsCool will deliver a fun holiday club

St Francis C of E Primary School,
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DATES 6 WEEKS
Week 1 - 19/07/21 - 23/07/21
Week 2 - 26/07/21 - 30/07/21
Week 3 - 02/08/21 - 06/08/21
Week 4 - 09/08/21 - 13/08/21
Week 5 - 16/08/21 - 20/08/21
Week 6 - 23/08/21 - 27/08/21

TIME 8:30am - 4:00pm

£20 per day or £80 for a FULL CONSECUTIVE WEEK

- ✓ Our aim is to deliver a responsible, safe, engaging course
- ✓ Limited numbers
- ✓ You MUST book and pay in full, in advance of your start date
- ✓ Strictly NO walk-ons allowed in order for us to plan accordingly
- ✓ Strict hygiene rules in place
- ✓ Outdoor play as much as possible
- ✓ We have adapted certain activities accordingly
- ✓ Staggered lunchtimes
- ✓ During these unprecedented times, we will be trying our best and going above and beyond where we can. We ask for all parents' and guardians' full co-operation during these times.
- ✓ Holiday club is subject to change - If course has to be cancelled, full refund will be given

book now on our website at:
www.sportscool.org
and click the BOOK NOW button

Follow us on Facebook for all the latest info, events and special offers.
@SportsCoolLtd

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>.

Thank you!

I hope you have a great weekend and enjoy the football on Sunday if you are watching!

Please note, children's end of year reports will be coming home after school on Tuesday and if you wish to make an appointment to see the teacher about it, please make contact on Wednesday for an appointment after school the same day.

Mr Kewley



*"But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control."
Galatians 5: 22-23*