



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.

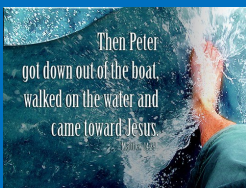
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Worship Theme

We started our year thinking about some of the 'Giants of Faith' from the bible. We looked at times when they felt a range of emotions, including excitement and anxiety. We talked about Peter - how he trusted Jesus to step out of the boat and walk on the water.

We talked about how could we be like Peter as we step out into a brand new academic year that will be full of new, challenges, excitement, fun and hard work.

How can we trust those around us for support to achieve our very best.



Speak to your child about:



What are you looking forward to in your new class?

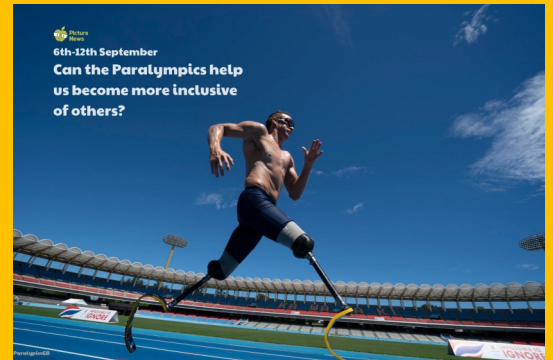
How are you feeling about school and can you explain why?

What are the school rules? What does that rule look like?

What does 'Love Faith. Love People. Love Learning' mean?

Is there someone you want to say a prayer for?

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



6th-12th September
Can the Paralympics help us become more inclusive of others?

British Values

6th – 12th September 2021

Mutual Respect

We know that life is not always the same for everybody. The Paralympics is an event for people who have a disability to compete in sports and become champions!



Welcome back!

Although I suspect it has been difficult getting back into the school run routine, it is great to all be back together! There has been such a great buzz around school. The children are an absolute credit to you as they have slotted back into school life with ease.

During Celebration Worship today, lots of children shared their proud moments from the week and we heard about amazing stories of children showing excellent attitudes to learning, high standards of behaviour and completing great work. I don't think that is bad for week 1!

Well done #TeamStFrancis!

Update - COVID

At the moment, we have kept the zones on the field. We have found lots of positives from having the children play in zones and therefore, will unlikely go back to a day with no zones at all. As a staff, we will review this and keep you up-to-date. During a behaviour audit last year, most children told us they liked playing in the zones and even when they could list the negatives, they could also express the positives. We are also sticking with Collective Worship online at the moment. We are thinking about how we can have parents involved in school during Celebration Worship.

Our Culture and School Rules

By now, everyone knows our Christian vision and mission statement. This is the foundation to all of our decisions. We want our children to be happy and safe here at St. Francis so they can thrive in their learning.

Please talk to your child about our mission statement:

Love Faith. Love People. Love Learning.

Please talk to your child about our school rules:

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

National Coding Week

We will be celebrating National Coding Week next week!

Sports Clubs / Extra-Curricular Activities

Just to let you know, we are finalising our plans for sports clubs to get up and running soon. Information will be sent out as soon as possible.

YEAR 2 - REQUEST

Year 2 children are looking at 'Special Books' within their RE learning. Please send your child in with their favourite book!

Current Year 1 Children—Your Charity Work!

Last year's EYFS class did a great job collecting items and coins for their charity - the North West Air Ambulance. During the Summer holidays Miss Ryding took all the donations to our local charity shop. The North West Air Ambulance volunteers were very grateful and asked that we pass on a big thank-you to our kind and generous families: THANK-YOU!!!



Charities - 2021/22

Each class have linked with a charity. The class will organise an event for their charity and will let you know about this as the year progresses.

EYFS: Children in Need

Year 1: Red Nose Day

Year 2: Blackburn Food Bank

Year 3: Canal and River Trust

Year 4: Allergy UK

Year 5: Bethany Choir

Year 6: Christian Aid Week

Cooking Lessons in School

We have partnered with Cook Stars again, meaning that each class will receive two cooking lessons this academic year and will (hopefully!) bring home something very tasty to eat!

Punctuality

We have seen a significant improvement with punctuality of children. Being on time to school means your child has a strong start to the day.

The significant improvement with punctuality is a huge success this week given the roadworks!

We will continue to monitor poor punctuality and contact families as required to offer support.

After-School Club (ASC) News

PALS have now taken over our after-school club and it is AMAZING! The children are loving it. Please get in touch with PALS directly to book on to the after-school club.

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: <office@stfrancis.blackburn.sch.uk>. Your child must not attend school if they have symptoms of COVID and/or received a positive test result for COVID.

Thank you!




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 Child 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.

For further enquiries please email: playandlearnscheme@gmail.com
How to book > www.pals.schoolipal.co.uk

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

£8.50 PER DAY

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




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It has been a superb week back at St. Francis! See you all next Monday at 8.45am!

I hope you have a great weekend.

Mr J 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*