

St. Francis Church of England Primary School



School Newsletter 08.07.24

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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

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

Collective Worship - Our thinking!

We continued to think about our value for this half-term - RESPECT

The children were very knowledgeable of the different aspects of respect and were able to link our learning to a school rule and an aspect of British Values.

Today, we focused on how we can express our opinions sensitively. At this time surrounding the General Election, we have seen adults fall short of this aspect of respect. We discussed how we will all have different opinions; however, we must still show respect and show we value people who hold different opinions from us.

"Show proper respect to everyone."
1 Peter Chapter 2 verse 17

The children were quick to link this verse to the school rule 'We know and celebrate that we are all different.'
 We discussed and reflected whether our head knowledge is lived out in our actions.

Talk to your child(ren) about...

"Show proper respect to everyone."
1 Peter Chapter 2 verse 17

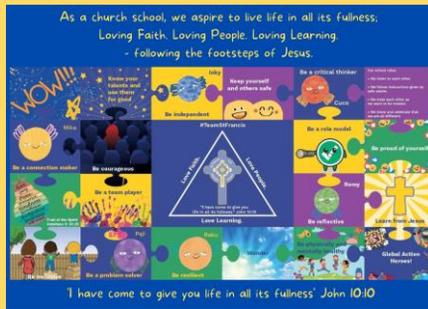
What does this biblical verse mean to you?

What does this biblical verse mean for your family?

How does this biblical verse link to your family values?

If everyone lived by this, what would be different in our world?

How can you live a fulfilling life this week?



Picture News (Link to Website)



What do you think?

What do you think?



Individual Liberty

Anyone can feel lonely, and at times it is hard to reach out for help. We can each make choices to be considerate of others and provide love and support for those who might be feeling lonely.

[Click here for more information about British Values.](#)



Which Protected Characteristics are in your family?

Upcoming Dates....

Tuesday 9 th July	7pm start	Year 6 Summer Performance	Year6
Wednesday 10 th July	14:45-15:25	Cherry Tree Library Visit	Year6
Friday 12 th July	14:30-15:25	OPAL Stay and Play	Whole School
Friday 12 th July	15:25	End-of-summer reports	Whole School
Sunday 14 th July	10:30-11:15	Church Parade	All welcome
Tuesday 16 th July	14:30-15:15	Music Performance: Y3 and Mr. Higginson's pupils	Year3/ Music pupils
Wednesday 17 th July	09:00-09:45	Music Performance: Mrs. Kolosova's pupils	Music pupils
Wednesday 17 th July	All day	Transition day – taster day in new classes	Whole School
Thursday 18 th July	All day	Celebration Day	Whole School
Friday 19 th July	09:30-10:30	Leavers Worship	Year6
Friday 19 th July	1pm close	School closes for Summer Holidays	Whole School

Click [here](#) to download the complete Summer dates. (Please note: The most up-to-date version is dated 29.04.24)

Autumn Term 2024 Parent/Carer Partnership dates should be released before the end of this term. If this is not the case, we will send them out during the holiday.

Some Key Website Links

[Term Dates](#) / [PE Days](#) / [Curriculum information](#) / [How to contact us](#) / [Breakfast Club](#) / [After School Club](#) / [Policies](#) / [Parent/Carer Partnership Dates](#)

Behaviour Policy Consultation

We are entering the final phase of rewriting our behaviour policy. If you would like to be part of a group of parents/carers who will complete a review before publishing, please contact the school office. I will then contact you and arrange a date and time. I really appreciate any help you can provide.

Own Footballs

From September 2024, children will no longer need to bring their own football to school. There will be enough footballs for morning breaks and a football rota for lunchtime.

OPEN WEEK – WB 14th October 2024

During the week beginning 14th October, we are hosting an OPEN WEEK for prospective families starting September 2025. Please spread this information to ensure we have a good attendance. Prospective families can view the school each afternoon between 1:30-3 pm. On Tuesday 15th October, we will host an open evening between 5:30-7 pm.

Uniform Shop

If you have an excellent-condition uniform that no longer fits, please donate it to our uniform shop. Please ensure uniform donations are already washed so they are ready to go out.



Uniform

On 19.12.23, you were informed that a new uniform policy had been approved and again on the 29.01.24, you were reminded of this. The poster below is linked to our uniform policy that was shared with you on 19th December 2023. The poster below is not *new* information.

The policy states that we have a uniform from EYFS to Year 6; therefore, the current Year 6 children are the last year group to wear the separate Year 6 uniform. I have been notified that some parents/carers have bought the separate Year 6 uniform. If you have receipts that pre-date 29.01.24, please contact me. Purchases made after this date must be corrected so your child is wearing the correct uniform from September 2024.

Please familiarise yourself with the information below to ensure you send your child to school wearing the correct uniform.

Uniform



There are two uniform options for all classes: EYFS to Y6.

Option One: Active Uniform - can be worn everyday.

Option Two: 'Traditional' Uniform can be worn on non-PE days; Active Uniform on PE days.



Active Uniform



Traditional Uniform

Gold, purple or green cotton T-Shirt
Royal blue hoody (with or without a zip)
Plain (unbranded) navy or black joggers or leggings
Plain (unbranded) navy or black shorts or skorts
Plain (unbranded) black or navy trainers or pumps

White, blue or gold polo shirt
Royal blue school sweatshirt or cardigan
Navy blue or tartan skirt or pinafore dress
Blue check dress can be worn in summer
Grey trousers or shorts
White, navy or blue socks or tights
Plain black shoes



No jewellery is allowed. This includes earrings, friendship bracelets or necklaces. Watches can be worn but not for PE.

Long hair must be tied up with a small, plain bobble.

No extreme hair cuts including shaved styles, braids or hair colours are allowed.

No make-up or false nails are allowed. Nails should be kept short.

From September 2024, Y6 do not have a separate uniform.

ParentPay Accounts

Please check your ParentPay account. If you have money to pay off, please do this so we can end the academic year with clear balances across the school. If you are struggling to pay, please telephone the school office to set up a payment plan. Parents/Carers of Year 6—please pay particular attention to your accounts so balances are cleared before your children moving on. Unpaid balances will be passed to our legal team at Blackburn with Darwen.



Parent/Carer Survey

To support the evaluation of our work, please complete the survey by clicking [here](#). Please complete it by 12 noon on Monday, July 15th. Responses made after this time and date may not be viewed. Thank you in advance for your valuable feedback.

Facebook

Sports Day and Colour Run Photographs will soon be available on our Facebook Page.

End of Summer Term Data Reports

End-of-summer term data reports will be emailed on Friday, July 12th. The reports will be sent to the email addresses we have on the system. If you have changed your email, please contact the school office to update the data we hold. The emails will be sent sometime in the afternoon on the 12th, so if you have yet to receive it by 3:25 p.m., please alert the school office, as there may be a problem with the system.

After-School Club – Childcare Provision

Unfortunately, due to low demand for the PALS after-school club, our school has been notified that it will no longer offer it. To bridge this gap, we have had conversations with 'Live and Kicking', who would happily take bookings from our families.

I am sorry about this, as I felt it to be a good offer to have our on-site provision. I believe using Live and Kicking would allow families to continue with after-school childcare to support working hours.

For more information and bookings, please contact Live and Kicking directly.

LIVE AND KICKING
OUT OF SCHOOL & HOLIDAY CLUB

At Immanuel Church Hall
740 Preston Old Rd, Feniscowles, Blackburn, BB2 5EN

We provide the highest quality of childcare and aim to strive for excellence! We take pride in providing childcare excellence in a safe and nurturing environment. With engaging activities, nutritious meals, and qualified staff!

BREAKFAST AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB
BREAKFAST CLUB STARTS AT 7:15AM
AFTER SCHOOL CLUB FINISHES AT 6:00PM

Follow us on Facebook: [Live and Kicking Out of School Club](#)
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LIVE AND KICKING

HOLIDAY CLUB
FULL DAY SESSIONS
7:30AM - 6PM
HALF DAY SESSIONS
9AM - 3PM

Out of School and Holiday Club
Join us at our Breakfast, After School and Holiday Club! We combine educational support, fun activities and childcare excellence. We are dedicated to making a positive difference in the lives of children and families, and we look forward to welcoming your child to our vibrant community.

- ✓ BREAKFAST CLUB
- ✓ AFTER SCHOOL CLUB
- ✓ HOLIDAY CLUB

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Staffing – Academic Year 2024-25

The staffing teams are being finalised this week in readiness for next week's transition morning on Wednesday, July 17th. The staffing teams will be announced in the next newsletter.

Transition

Other than staffing knowledge, if your child requires additional support around transition, please speak with your child's class teacher to arrange this. This could include additional visits to the next classroom or a picture book to view over the Summer holiday.