

St. Francis Church of England Primary School

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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 continue to think about our key value this half-term – TRUST.

Last week, two children demonstrated the trust test by falling back to see whether I would catch them. I set up the scenarios, and the children could see the link between trust and healthy relationships.

We looked at the Bible story where Jesus calms a storm. Jesus wondered why his disciples did not trust him. The children made excellent connections between this story and their lives.

Today, the children continued their thinking about the promises people make and how this can build trust. We looked at some key promises from the Bible and how Christians believe they can build their lives on these promises.

How do you promote trust in your family relationships?

Talk to your child(ren) about...

Review the promises from God below:

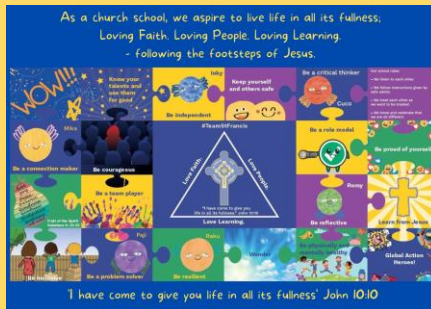
Do not fear, for I am with you! (based on Isaiah 31:47)

I will strengthen you. I will help you. I will uphold you! (based on Isaiah 41:20)

Give all your worries to me because I care for you! (based on 1 Peter 5:7)

What do these promises mean to you?

How can you live a fulfilling life this week?



Picture News (Link to Website)



How do you promote your child's understanding of this?



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



Which Protected Characteristics are in your family?

Upcoming Dates....

Saturday 30 th November	1300-1500	St. Francis Church – Christmas Fair	All welcome
Wednesday 4 th December	15:30-16:30	Parents/Carers invited to view children's work	Whole School
Friday 6 th December	All day	Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Craft Day KS1 Bring chocolate, KS2 Bring bottle donations	Whole School
Friday 6 th December	14:30-15:30	Christmas Tree Service	Whole School
Sunday 8 th December	1600	St. Francis Church – Christingle Service	All welcome
Wednesday 11 th December	Afternoon	Mrs Musa Choir singing in the community	Mrs Musa's Choir
Friday 13 th December	15:30	PTA Christmas Fair	Whole School
Sunday 15 th December	16:00	St. Francis Church Carol Service	All welcome
Sunday 15 th December	16:00	St. Luke's Church – Scratch Nativity!	All welcome
Tuesday 17 th December	14:00	Nativity Time!	Year1 & Year2
Wednesday 18 th December	09:00-09:30	Music Performance: Mrs. Kolosova and Mr Higginson's pupils	All welcome
Wednesday 18 th December	All day	Christmas Party and Lunch Day – Non-uniform day	Whole School
Thursday 19 th December	10:00	St. Luke's Christmas Production!	Whole School
Thursday 19th December	13:00	School Closes – early finish (1 pm)	Whole School
Saturday 21 st December	14:00-16:00	St. Luke's Church – Christmas Fun Day!	All welcome
Sunday 22 nd December	16:00	St. Luke's Church – Carol Mash-up!	All welcome
Tuesday 24 th December	16:30	St Francis Church – Crib Service	All welcome
Wednesday 25 th December	10:45	St. Francis Church – Christmas Day Service	All welcome
WB 23 rd December and 30 December – Christmas Holidays HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!			

Please note some changes to St. Francis Church Christmas dates above.

Some Key Website Links

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

ParentPay Accounts

Please check your accounts and pay off any outstanding balances. **Friday 6th December – Christmas Jumper Day. Children can wear non-school uniform for trousers but no football kits.**

Please note that significant and ongoing balances will be managed through our debt policy, which could result in legal action.

Christmas 2024

Please ensure the Christmas Tree Service is in your diary – 6th December at 2:30 p.m. start!

Please check the other dates above. The following pages contain posters of some of the upcoming events.

Attendance

As stated in the previous newsletter, a review of children's attendance and punctuality was being carried out. You will also know that the Department for Education overhauled its policies and processes surrounding attendance, and because of this, our school's policy and processes have been updated. I understand there are times when children cannot be in school. However, the standardised process will ensure appropriate paperwork is in place and, where required and appropriate, support is put in place to improve a child's attendance and/or punctuality. Children's attendance will be monitored weekly against the stages and trigger points within the policy. The policy is available on the school's [website](#).

Parking

I noticed we made it to Fennisowles' Facebook Page with a picture of illegal parking. Can I ask that families park with consideration for residents and relevant laws to ensure everyone stays safe?

St. Francis Church Christmas Fair

Please support St. Francis's Christmas Fair on Saturday, November 30th. See below for more information.



St Francis Church Christmas Fair

Saturday 30th November
1PM - 3PM

St Francis Church Hall

Includes Raffles, Tombolas,
Stalls, Games and Refreshments

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A special seasonal visitor



Christmas – PTA

Please help us prepare for our Christmas Fair!

On Friday, December 6th, it is Christmas Jumper Day as it is Christmas Craft and Christmas Tree Service. However, please also send your child to school with something for the PTA Christmas Fair.

KS1 children: Please bring in some chocolate

KS2 children: Please bring in a bottle of something. (Remember: a bottle can contain a drink (alcoholic or not) or anything else, such as shampoo.)

In addition to this, please see the poster below about filled jars to be sent to school by Thursday, 12th December.



Christmas – PTA Christmas Fair

Please mark this event in your diary and come and support the PTA in raising money for the school while we all have a bit of fun together!



St Francis PTA's Christmas Fair

Friday 13th December 3.30–5.30

**Come join us for an evening of fun, gift stalls,
crafts, games, snacks, 5 tombola, the big raffle
and even a special visit from the big man
himself**

Please bring cash to spend at our fair

Join us this Christmas at Immanuel and St. Francis

Saturday 30th November

- 1pm–3pm – Christmas Fair @ St. Francis Church Hall

Sunday 8th December

- 9.15am – Café Church with Toy Collection @ Immanuel Church Hall (please consider bringing a new unwrapped gift for a local child)
- 4pm – Christingle Service @ St. Francis Church



Sunday 15th December

- 4pm – Joint Carol Service @ St. Francis Church

Tuesday 24th December

- 3.30pm – Christingle and Crib Service @ Immanuel Church
- 4.30pm – Crib Service @ St. Francis Church

Wednesday 25th December

- 9.15am – Christmas Day Service @ Immanuel Church
- 10.45am – Christmas Day Service @ St. Francis Church



Christmas Big Sing – Festive Carol Sing-Along!

Please see below for details of the Christmas Big Sing on Thursday, 19th December.



Christmas BIG SING

Join Us for a Festive Carol Sing-Along!

Come and sing your favourite Christmas carols with us at Green Hills Estate as we celebrate the season together.

Reserve your free ticket by scanning the QR code below.

THURSDAY 19TH DECEMBER 2024, 6 PM

www.loveblackburnwest.org.uk
www.kingswoodhomes.uk.com



Book your free tickets here

