



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 are on the journey towards Christmas! We are thinking about advent and that this is a time of waiting. Last Sunday was the first Sunday of advent. The first candle, which is purple, symbolises hope. It is sometimes called the "Prophecy Candle" in remembrance of the prophets, especially Isaiah, who foretold the birth of Christ. It represents the expectation felt in anticipation of the coming Messiah. We looked at the value of hope and how Christian hope is different to wishing for materialistic things.



Speak to your child about:

- What does 'hope' mean?
- What does 'advent' mean?
- Can you think of a time where you had to hope things would get better?
- How could you bring hope to someone around you?
- What Global Action Hero work could you be doing to support the world in which you live?



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



British Values

29th November – 5th December 2021

Mutual Respect

The Mundurucu are indigenous people, who live in parts of Brazil. Their life is different from ours but we understand and respect that.



Parent/Carer - Communication Survey

Help us review our communication strategy by taking a few minutes to complete the following survey...

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=N8ByAz5eqUmGyCh1EHabiNxdgRiBl4VLvHBAddkNaltUQk9SM0MxRjhKMUFEQkZCTUxXWFFZTIxWS4u>

Thank you to the parents/carers who have already completed.

Bullet Point information!

- Thanks to all the families for generously donating to the PTA today!
- Thank you to all of the parents/carers who attended our Christmas Tree service - it seems from comments it was well received!
- A HUGE thank you to Mr Tindall, Mrs Newman and Mrs Cook for accompanying the Year 6 children to Robinwood. It simply would not have happened without this commitment. Photographs and videos are being sorted - there are quite a lot!!
- Father Christmas visit - 14th December. Pay on ParentPay by 13th December.
- Christmas lunch - 14th December - Pat on ParentPay ASAP.

Dates for the Diary! (Face masks to be worn at events)

I hope I have remembered everything! Autumn 2 is an extremely busy half-term.

Wednesday 8th December - Keyboard / Other instruments performance. Year 3 children will also be performing some of their learning in music. Parents/Carers welcome to join. 9.15am (ish!) start.

Friday 10th December - Year 6 dress rehearsal for other children in school.

Monday 13th December - Year 1 dress rehearsal for other children in school.

Monday 13th December - The children will be watching 'The Snowman' in the hall. This is a performance we have bought into as an extra Christmas treat!

Tuesday 14th December - Christmas Party Day! Children can come in party clothes. I have heard Father Christmas may well be coming to town!

Tuesday 14th December - Christmas Dinner Day!

Tuesday 14th December - Year 6 Performance. 7pm start. . Y6 children here and doors open 6.30pm.

Wednesday 15th December - Year 1 Nativity! 2pm. Doors open 1.45pm.

Thursday 16th December - Christmas Carol Service. Parents/Carers welcome. 9.15(ish!) start. REMINDER: We close at 1pm on Thursday 16th!

Reading for Pleasure - Cherry Tree Library

As part of our Reading for Pleasure strategy, we are hoping to see an increase in children using the library. We will be taking children on a rota to Cherry Tree Library from January. Applications for a library card have been sent home today. Please complete and send back. Thanks!