



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: 10.12.21

Worship Theme

We continue our thinking around advent and the build to what Christians believe, to be the true meaning of Christmas - the birth of Jesus. God's rescue plan for the earth!

The second candle, also purple, represents faith. It is called the "Bethlehem Candle" as a reminder of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem.

We looked at the value of joy and peace. We thought about how we can bring joy to each other and how we might bring peace through our actions.



Speak to your child about:

What does 'peace' mean?



What does 'joy' mean?

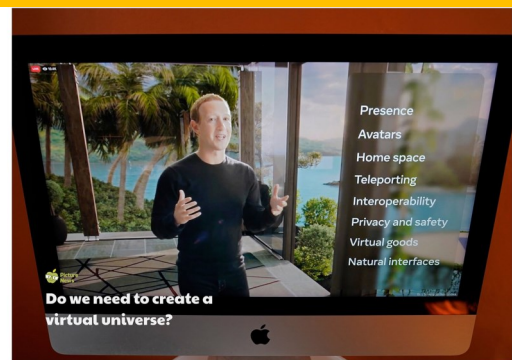
How can you bring peace to yourself and other people? Think of examples.

How can you bring joy to yourself and other people? Think of examples.

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>)



Tolerance

People have different ideas and opinions of how virtual reality could impact our world. It is important to tolerate and accept these ideas and opinions even if they differ from our own.



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=N8ByAz5eqUmGyCh1EHabiNxdgRiBl4VLvHBAAddkNaltUQk9SM0MxRjhKMUFQkZCTUxXWFFZTIlxWS4u>

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

Bullet Point information!

- Thank you to all of the parents/carers who joined us for our musical performance this week! The children did themselves proud showcasing their musical talent!
- If you have not handed in your library sign up form yet - please bring it on Monday.
- PUNCTUALITY! There has been a drop in our punctuality figures. I appreciate the difficulty of our school location, however, children arriving after 8.50am are marked as late and are missing vital learning.
- Christmas lunch - 14th December - Pay on ParentPay ASAP.
- Last day: Thursday 16th December @1pm

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.

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!**

Staffing - Mrs Newman

Mrs Carole Newman has announced her retirement and will be leaving #TeamSt.Francis this Christmas time. Mrs Newman has worked at St. Francis for a number of years! Too many to count! In that time, she has supported numerous children's learning and wellbeing and has been an excellent member of the team. It will be incredibly sad to say 'goodbye' to Mrs Newman, however, I believe she has already signed up to volunteer on a school trip in January! Please join me in wishing Mrs Newman a long and happy retirement!