



# 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: 16.12.21

### Worship Theme

"For unto us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace" Isaiah 9:6

We have continued to think about the Christmas story and what it is Christians believe to be true.

We focused this week on the Shepherd's coming to visit Jesus and we spoke and the symbolism of this. The shepherd's were first to meet and welcome Jesus. This is a clear message that all are welcome to celebrate Jesus and Jesus welcomes and loves all.



### Speak to your child about:

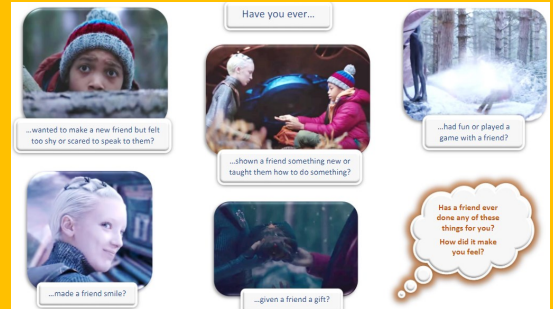
How can you bring peace to those around you?

How can you bring joy to those around you?

How could you help those out in need this Christmas?

Think of 3 things to be thankful each day!

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>)

### Parent/Carer - Communication Survey

Thank you to the parents/carers who completed our communication survey. These responses will be viewed and shared in the new year.

### Bullet Point information!

- Year 5 will be starting their singing practice from January - building to their concert at Blackburn Rovers
- A meeting between school and Grays has been created to discuss the issue of the Outdoor Kit t-shirt and the issues. It might be we change over to cotton t-shirts of the same colours. We'll let you know.
- Continue to join us in the new year for Celebration Worship in classes. Through the gate by 2.55pm.
- Monday 10th January - Year 4 school trip to Blackburn Museum.
- Tuesday 11th - book bus is visiting!
- Thursday 13th - formal review of children's attendance and punctuality
- I will keep up-to-date with COVID and be in touch with any key messages required.
- See you back on Tuesday 4th - 8.45am!

### Staffing updates!

- Welcome back to Mrs Farran (she left us when she was a Miss Potts!). Mrs Farran is taking over as full-time Year 5 class teacher for the remainder of this academic year.
- Welcome to Mrs Firfire, who will be teaching Year 3 every Monday and Tuesday for the remainder of this academic year.
- Miss Palmer will continue to teach in Year 2 until further notice.
- Mrs du Randt will now be the teaching assistant working across Year 3 and 4.
- Mrs Fielding will be taking on a number of roles! She will mainly be working in our school office completing administration work. She will also be working at Breakfast Club and Lunchtime.
- Mrs Forrest will be Acting Child & Family Support Worker. Mrs Forrest will also join the safeguarding team as another Designated Safeguarding Lead.
- We had a day of mixed feelings as we said 'happy retirement' to Mrs Newman today. Thank you for all of the lovely messages received.

# Happy Christmas!