



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: 17.06.22

Collective Worship - This week...

This week we went back to looking at our School Christian Values, focusing on 'gentleness'.

We thought about what the word gentleness means to different people.

The children generated great thoughts and shared these. Some people linked it to being asked to stroke a cat gently through to show the character of Jesus.

We focused on a bible story from John 8 1-11, where a lady was brought before Jesus. The crime committed in those days was punishment by stoning. Jesus showed incredible gentleness by not condoning the behaviour, however, said "let he who has never sinned throw the first stone."

Of course, there is no one who has not done wrong and therefore, the lady's life was spared. Children were asked to reflect on their thoughts, words and actions - do they convey gentleness and show value towards other people.

Talk to your child(ren about...

Discuss with your child the following questions:

What does gentleness mean to you?

What does Christian gentleness mean?

What does gentleness look like?

Why is it important for people to show gentleness?

What would the world look like if everyone showed gentleness to each other?

What do you think about this prayer?

Dear God,

Thank you for your gentleness. Please send your Holy Spirit to help #TeamStFrancis be a place of gentleness.

Help each one of us to show gentleness in our thinking, in our words and in our actions.

In moments I am annoyed or cross, help us all to share our feelings in a gentle way.

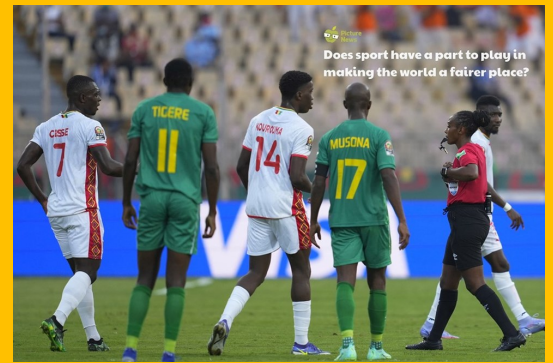
Forgive us for the times we have not shown gentleness and help us each day to be gentle like Jesus showed.

Amen

It's Time to Talk.



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



Does sport have a part to play in making the world a fairer place?



Rule of Law

Referees enforce the rules of the game, which helps make it fair and safe. If players do not follow the rules, there can be consequences and they may even be asked to stop playing.



Friday 24th June

Sports day will take place in the morning. Parents/Carers are welcome to stay for lunch, although, the booking for food from the kitchen has closed. Please bring picnic blankets and chairs as you wish.

Please note, e-cigs and the use of mobile devices are not permitted whilst on St. Francis site. Please do not take videos or pictures of your child or other children.

The PTA colour run will take place in the afternoon.

More information around timings of the day will be announced late on Tuesday 21st.

Come on Weather! Be kind to us!



Quick News:

Reminder - Messy Church: Tuesday 28th June 3:30-5pm. Family event - Parent/Carer to attend with child.

Assessment week: Next week is assessment week - If your child does piano/keyboards lesson, please liaise with your child's class teacher as to whether their lesson can continue or needs changing.

NEXT WEEK: WB 24th June is National Sports Week. To celebrate, we are holding a **WALK TO SCHOOL** week. If you live close enough, please walk. If you live far a way, please park further a distance from school and walk the last part. This will help the Eco-warriors work towards the Eco-schools Green Flag Award! #LetsGetWalking!

Punctuality: Please remember, your child needs to be at the gate when it opens at 8:45am. Past 8:50am and your child is late - learning has already started.

Job Opportunity: We have a job opportunity for a Teaching Assistant Level 2 to work across our Year 1 and 2 class. The job can be found through googling Blackburn with Darwen council jobs. If you know someone who would be interested, do please share this with them.

WB 27.06.22: Children will be taking part in community litter picking to support our Global Action Hero and the Eco-warriors working towards the Eco-schools Green Flag Award.

Eco-Warrior Update—Changes to SNACKS

Here at St. Francis we are working towards the Eco-Schools Green Flag Award. After holding meetings with our Eco-Warrior Council, it is evident that we are doing a lot to help our local environment and our planet. However, there is still lots to be done! We have 10 topics to look at under this award so we have chosen 3 main topics to improve to start with. These are litter, school grounds and energy. Litter is becoming a problem around school and we are looking at ways to reduce it, these are:

- 1) **EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2: Morning snack will be NHS provided fruit only so there is no need to bring anything into school.**
- 2) **KS2 children to bring in a piece of fruit or vegetable in a reusable container.**
- 3) **Packed lunches - be mindful of single-use plastics and packaging. Use more reusable containers.**
- 4) **All children to have a water bottle (not single-use plastic) in school.**

These actions are now within the Eco-Warrior Council action plan to support improvement. In order to progress towards the award, the Eco-Warrior Council needs everyone to do their bit.

