



# 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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### Collective Worship - This week...

Can you believe it!? Another academic year has finished, which means we have said good-bye to a much loved cohort of children. The Year 6 children led a wonderful leaver's service. Thank you to all parents/carers who attended. The Year 6 children spoke about many elements that they will be taking away from St. Francis and my heart was warmed by so much of it fitting to character development, those skills that are so vital for negotiating friendships and navigating the many situations we find ourselves in. My prayer for all children, echoing Y6's thoughts, is that all would remember the Jesus way. They would remember the stories learned, and regardless of their faith decision, they would imitate his ways; showing love and kindness to those around. Showing forgiveness quickly and slow to anger. All the very best to Year 6 - we will miss you but you are ready to go!

### Talk to your child(ren about...

Discuss with your child the following questions:

What is change?

Do you like change? How does it make you feel?

Can we hold more than one emotion at the same time? How do you feel about the change ahead?

Discuss keeping safe over the Summer holidays - both in-person and online. What can you do if you are upset about something?

HAPPY SUMMER HOLIDAY!

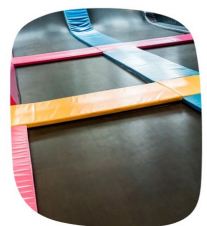


### Picture News: (<https://www.stfranciscep.co.uk/page/19-20/84388>)



### Rule of Law

Places, like trampoline parks, have rules and adults in our home or at school may also set rules. We are all responsible for following these rules and keeping ourselves and others safe.



### Quick News:

**Thanks and Well done!** #TEAMSTFRANCIS - we have made it to the finish line once again. Thank you to everyone within #TeamStFrancis for their support, commitment, dedication and love. It is only by working together that we can ensure St. Francis C.E. is truly the best school it can be. From reviewing the year, the children's and staff achievements and the various different work completed, it has been a phenomenal year, especially remembering that COVID restrictions were only stopped in April of this year. I am very pleased with the progress and attainment of all children and I am very happy with the results of national tests against national averages. A huge thanks to the parents/carers for supporting your children so well and for supporting the school also. Let's see what 2022/23 brings!

**Governor Impact Statement:** A huge thanks to all of our Governors for their support and challenge. The Governor Impact statement is attached to the newsletter email.

**Staff Appointment:** Congratulations to Mrs Katie Forrest, who has been appointed to the role of Inclusion Officer. Mrs Forrest will become our 'front-facing' safeguarding lead and will continue to complete SEND assessments, emotion work with children amongst many other roles.

**Staff Change:** Since my previous newsletter where I outlined the staff, we have had one change to the Year 1 / 2 Teaching Assistant. This will now be a lady called Mrs C O'Neill. She has already been with us for a number of days to complete induction. We are also welcoming another Teaching Assistant in Year 2 called Mrs Aspin.

**School Operation:** During COVID, we had to operate differently. Some things we did not like and could not wait to get rid of them! Others, we have found work incredibly well and we are keeping them. One of these changes around the lunchtime supervision by zone (although, children will be able to mix zones), children coming through the gate at 8:45 in the morning, KS2 children eating in their classrooms and the gates opening at 3:25pm at the end of the school day. We have found many positives to this way of working. As stated in the previous newsletter, our Parent/Carer Partnership offer is in its final stage and will be available on Monday 12th September. Newsletters will move to being sent out on a Monday from September.

**Outdoor Play and Learning:** We are going to be working with a company to change and improve our playtimes. See this video of one school who has completed this work already! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yrQb0PSXwzE>

**Uniform:** Any questions around uniform, please see: <https://www.stfranciscep.co.uk/page/uniform/83917>

**Reminder:** School opens Monday 5th September—8:45am at the gate.

**Have a HAPPY and SAFE Summer holiday everyone!**

