



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: 12.02.2021

Worship Theme

We continued to look at the story of Ruth this week. We thought about the aspects and people in our life that we really like and we wouldn't want to be without. We thought about how it might feel to leave everything that you love to help others. We heard from two missionaries who say they heard the call from God to help others. We spoke about how we can help others in our community. We spoke about different ways we could help, even if it meant giving something of our up or sacrificing our time.



Love People.

"In everything, do the good things for other people that you would want them to do for you."

Matthew 7:12

Speak to your child about...

What do you like? Could you imagine sacrificing it? Are there some things you would sacrifice it for but not others?

What could 'Love People' look like as an action?

How can you help others?

How could you put other people's needs first?

What gifts do you have? How do you use your gifts to help others?

What could you give up to help others?

If you could go anywhere to help people, where would you go?



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



British Values

8th – 14th February 2021

Rule of Law

When experts discover better ways of protecting our environment, such as planting certain types of trees, the government can consider a change in the law so that planting trees correctly becomes everyone's responsibility.



You've made it! We've made it together!

A HUGE thank you and well done to Team St. Francis - staff, parents and children together. What a half-term and everyone has been incredible. A huge shout out to our parents who have supported children's home learning at home whilst juggling various other commitments. Thank you to all of our Key Workers who have helped to keep critical services running. Thank you to all of St. Francis staff who have shown exceptional adaptability and skill. Finally, a huge well done to ALL of our children for coping and adjusting so well to all of the changes.

WELL DONE AND THANK YOU!



After-School Club Staff Change

Early March, Mrs Havard will step down from managing our After-School Club. Mrs du Randt will take up the role of After-School Club Manager from 4th March. A hand over, including practicalities of the club, policies and procedures will take place. If you require a place for your child in After-School Club, please contact the school office.

Remote Learning Survey

We have sent out a Remote Learning Survey via School Spider. If your child is completing part-time or full-time learning from home, please can you complete this survey. This is part of our quality assurance process. Thank you in advance.

Yellow Zig Zag Lines

Thank you to the Council who have increased and upgraded our yellow lines outside of school. A polite reminder to all parents that the yellow zig-zag lines should not be used to park on or stop on to drop children off. It is really important to keep the turning circle clear. The ideal option is not to drive down Cherry Tree Lane to increase safety for our children.



Upcoming Dates / Events

4th March - World Book Day

WB 8th March - Science Week

15th March - Visit from Ian Bland (Poet). We are connecting this to Shakespeare week. The theme for this week is 'To Thine Own Self Be True.' This theme links really well to our focus on mental health, aspirations and wellbeing. Ian is going to be writing a poem on this theme especially for St. Francis!

WB 22nd March - Year 4 will be completing an Easter performance



Celebration Worship

If your child completes anything outside of school that they are proud about and would like to share during Celebration Worship, please email a picture of their achievement and I will add it to the presentation. Please send to <head@stfrancis.blackburn.sch.uk>. The link for Celebration Worship is: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73030624557?pwd=TFFrZC9aNDM3V0ZWV0UyNTZnRWxwUT09> Thanks to everyone who joined us this week! See you next Friday!

Global Action Heroes

We had a further two GLOBAL ACTION HEROES this week. Thank you to those children who are completing social action to support those around them and their communities.

Who will our GLOBAL ACTION HEROES at our next Celebration Worship.

Please email me <head@stfrancis.blackburn.sch.uk> with photographs and information about any social action that your children have completed.



School Spider App

If you have not done so already, please ensure you have downloaded the School Spider app from either android or apple store. You will then need to find our school. You should find this by starting to type 'St Francis...' and it will appear in the list to click on. Once you have done this, it will ask for your username and password. We are going to be using the features of the app more and more, including payments in the upcoming future. If you are having any difficulties with downloading or logging into the app, please contact the school office.

Young People's Mental Health

Are you concerned about someone's mental health who is under the age of 18? Advice sessions are available on-line via Attend Anywhere. Log on using the hyperlink - <https://nhs.uk/HLSC/CAMHS>

Enter the word "drop" as the first name and "in" as the second name followed by your date of birth. You will then enter our virtual waiting area where we will collect you from.

Tues	23 rd	February	1pm - 3pm
Wed	3 rd	March	3pm - 5pm
Tues	9 th	March	5pm - 7pm
Wed	17 th	March	1pm - 3pm
Tues	23 rd	March	3pm - 5pm

Devices and Technical Support

If you do not have an appropriate device to support your child with remote learning, please telephone us! Please do not be completing work on a mobile phone etc. We will help get an appropriate device to you ASAP.



Also, if you are struggling with a technical issue, please just call us and we will do our best to support.

ParentPay - Outstanding Payments

As we head towards the end of the financial year, we have a lot of work to do with regards to our budget. To support us with this, please check your ParentPay accounts and ensure you are up-to-date with any payments. Please ensure your balance is cleared ASAP. Thanks.



School Facebook Page

If you have not done so already, please like our Facebook page.

@stfrancisprimary

Check for updated photographs from this week!

Positive COVID Test or Symptoms of COVID?

If your child(ren) develop any COVID-19 symptoms or tests positive, please report this to school by emailing us at: < covid19@stfrancis.blackburn.sch.uk >.

Please report COVID-19 symptoms and positive tests even if your child is not in school provision.

The application process for key workers has closed and is not being viewed. If you need to discuss a place, please call the office. You will then be asked to complete the paperwork.

Although next week will be different as a half-term...I really hope it is a time of rest and enjoyment with those in your household. Take care and stay safe! Mr Kewley