



Value of the month – Peace

Dear Parents and Carers,

Last week ended on a fun note with our **PTA Film Night** for Years 1-3. A great time was had by all with children enjoying “Toy Story”. The night raised £450 which is being used to purchase Microbits to support the teaching of coding in school. We thank WorkPlaceLive for their sponsorship of this event. The PTA will be holding a film night for our Junior children in the Autumn term.

It was a pleasure on Tuesday morning to welcome our **Governors into school**. Part of the Governors’ role is to monitor the targets on our school development plan and so Governors visited classrooms, spoke with children and met the teachers and the subject leads. It was an enjoyable morning and the staff and I thank the Governors for all their time in supporting the school. They do this voluntarily, giving up much of their own time for the sake of our children.

We are very pleased with the third place our Year 3s and Y4s attained in the **inter-schools’ multi-sports** afternoon. Well done to all the children for their team work and for being so well behaved. We are proud of you!

We are also very pleased to introduce a new award for pupils who show resilience and great determination, allowing them to persevere in every subject: our **“Warrior of Learning”** award. This morning, the award was presented to three pupils who ALWAYS go “the extra mile”- what a great attitude to have in life!

This week our school gained the Bronze Award for **our School Travel Plan**. Watch out for details of our Golden Boot Month and our Bikers’ Breakfast and Cycle & Scoot to School day being held later in the term!

Our Year 2s were treated to an exciting afternoon yesterday with a visit from the local fire brigade. They learned about fire safety and the different jobs to do as a firefighter.

This week has been one of **staff professional development** as we are all life-long learners! On Wednesday, Miss Rogers led local Reception teachers in an EYFS workshop aimed at **improving progress in Maths**. Well done to Miss Rogers for sharing her expertise and working collaboratively with other EYFS practitioners in our network. Mrs Fawcett and I attended a presentation on assessment of writing and monitoring progress through **‘comparative marking’** led by Daisy Christodoulou. We’ve also all attended a twilight inset led by the experts from Linden Bridge on developing our understanding of strategies for supporting children with **Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD)**.

Finally, we wish our **Holy Communion** children, in the parishes of Oxted and Warlingham, a happy and blessed Holy Communion day this weekend. It looks like you will all be blessed too with good weather!

Have a wonderful Bank Holiday Weekend – enjoy the sun!

Mrs Wheeler

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Vacancy

PART-TIME CLEANER

10 hours per week x 52 weeks

Working hours/ days during school holidays are arranged by negotiation and there is some flexibility.

(24 days paid leave to be taken during school holidays)

Mon-Fri 3.45 – 5.45pm

£8.63 per hour

Please contact the school office for more details.

St Francis' Catholic Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. Such posts will require an Enhanced DBS and Barred List check and references will be taken up prior to interview.

Diary Dates

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May		
Thursday	10 th	Year 1 visit to Gatton Park
Monday	14 th	SAT's week begins
Tuesday	15 th	Year 4 visit to the Science Observatory Year R visit to Ladyland Farm
Thursday	24 th	Year 1 visit to the Hindu Temple, Crawley Year 5 visit to the Sikh Temple, Croydon
June		
Monday	4 th	Maths Week begins Class photographs
Tuesday	5 th	Year R health screening (details to follow)
Wednesday	6 th	Year R health screening (details to follow)
Monday	11 th	Year 6 residential trip to Kingswood
Friday	15 th	Fairtrade Gift sale
Wednesday	20 th	Year 3 visit to the Thames Barrier Year 5 visit to Wintershall Good Shepherd Mass, Worth
Thursday	21 st	Year 2 visit to Rural Life Year 6 visit to the Croydon Mosque
Tuesday	26 th	District Sports – Field events
Thursday	28 th	District Sports – Track events
July		
Thursday	5 th	Bags2School
Friday	6 th	Sports Day
Tuesday	10 th	6.30pm, Year 6 Production
Wednesday	11 th	6.30pm, Year 6 Production
Tuesday	17 th	7-9pm, Leavers Disco
Thursday	19 th	2pm, Leavers Mass at the Sacred Heart Church. Year 6's & siblings
Friday	20 th	9.30am, Leavers Assembly 1pm, School closes for the Summer holidays.

Reminder to Parents

Parents are reminded that **all** emails sent to school must be sent via office@stfrancis.surrey.sch.uk **only**. If you are sending an email for the attention of a particular member of staff, please indicate this in the subject bar. Thank you in advance for your co-operation.

Inspiring Change Festival by Prospero Theatre & Mind Fitness Caterham Events for Young People / Family Audience

Sunday 20th May – 4 short plays at Woldingham School

Sunday 27th May – Elephant of My Heart Workshop at the Arc for 5-10 years and 11-16 years.

Sunday 24th June – 2 short plays and 3 short films at The Arc

Details below:

Sunday 20th May

Millennium Theatre, Woldingham School, Woldingham, Surrey. 6.30pm

Tickets £17.50 / Concessions £12.50

<https://bit.ly/2EjBkdX>

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FAMILY BBQ

25th May 2018

5:30pm to 9:30pm

£5 per adult, £3 per child
includes Burger or Hot Dog.
Tickets available from
class reps from 1st May



MUSIC

FOOD

SWEET STALL

BAR