



Value of the month – Perseverance

Dear Parents and Carers



Welcome back!

Welcome back to everyone. We hope everyone had a wonderful Summer holiday. The children have been amazing with settling back into new routines; they are cheerful, positive and hardworking. Well done to them all – we are so proud of them. Thank you to everyone in the school community and all the staff who have made me feel so incredibly welcome. It is an absolute privilege to be Headteacher at St Francis. Please do come and introduce yourself to me on the gate. I am looking forward to the coming academic year and working with the staff and getting to know all the children and their families.

New Staff Welcome

We give a very warm welcome to our new teachers this year:

Ms Sharif – Y4 Pine

Ms Walters – Y5 Maple

Ms Maguire – Y6 Linden

Ms Bertram – SENDCo

Mr Yarnell – Deputy Headteacher

Just a reminder to please remember if you are bringing your children into the school that they are left on the Infant playground and you do not enter the school- this is to ensure the safeguarding of all your children. If you need any help or assistance there will be a member of the Senior leadership team on the gate to help every day.

Meet the Teacher

We are looking forward to welcoming families to our school on Monday 8th September @3.40-4pm and 4.05-4.25pm for our "Meet the Teacher" sessions. These will be held in your child's classroom and give you an opportunity to hear about what your child will be learning about in their year groups, key information and to "meet" the class teachers. **Please note if you need to speak to your teacher about a concern about your child please make a separate appointment.**

Trainers: Children should keep a pair of trainers in school at all times and not take them home, this is so they are there ready for any opportunities we may have of using the field and no one has to miss out.

Polite Reminder

JEWELLERY - no jewellery or makeup should be worn in school. It is County and school policy that children are not permitted to take part in any form of Physical Education if wearing jewellery, including earrings and earring retainers.

Absence

Please remember if your child is going to be absent from school for any reason, please leave a message on the answer phone or email absence@stfrancis.surrey.sch.uk no later than 9.30am.

Mobile Phones

As per the letter from Mrs Licence at the end of last term, pupil mobile phones must not be 'on' at any time on the school site, and they must be handed in to classroom teachers at the start of the day if they are brought on to school grounds. They will be kept safely and returned at the end of the day. This is to ensure that the school day has minimal disruptions, distractions and losses of property. Thank you for supporting us with this.

Walking Home

If you would like your child to be collected at home time by someone who is not a parent or carer, then that person must mention the password that you provided in reply to a recent letter from the School Office. Please take a moment to complete this if you have not yet done so. For Y6 pupils, we are still waiting for consent from a few parents to allow us to let them walk home by themselves. If you would like us to let them go, please reply to this note from the end of last term.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Doyle & Staff

ALL AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS START BEGINNING 15TH SEPTEMBER, PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE.

Calendar Dates

8 TH September	Meet The Teacher @ 3.40pm-4pm- 4.05-4.25pm
30 th September	Open Morning for Prospective Parents @ 9.15am
2 nd October	St Francis Feast Day
14 th October	Choir Festival
21 st October	Parents Evening Detail to Follow
22 nd October	Parents evening Details to Follow
27 th October- 31 st October	Half Term
3 rd November	School Reopens @9am
30 th November	Beginning of Advent
1 st December	Xavier Day School Closed
4 th December	Whole School Panto Day
8 th December	Clubs Finish
10 th December	Year 4 Trip - Polka Dot Theatre
19 th December	Break up for Christmas Holidays @1pm
5 th January	School Reopens @9am