St. Francis' School Newsletter

25th October 2019



Value of the month – Responsibility

Dear Parents

Many congratulations to Mrs Hardy and members of our School Choir this week for an excellent performance on Saturday 19th October. They joined members of our local community at St Mary's Church for a fundraising concert to raise money for a new resuscitation bed for the local Dene Hospital – they currently have only one. The evening raised nearly £2000 to go towards a new bed. It was a wonderful evening of music and enjoyed by us all. We had many lovely messages, verbal and in email, about how beautiful the singing was and how impeccably behaved the children were – well done to you all!

Please could families all consider organising a Christmas Shoebox over the holiday for our annual appeal:

Annual 'Link to Hope' Shoe Box Appeal – Deadline Friday 8th November 2019

You should all have received a leaflet explaining what items to put in and how to pack your shoebox. A copy of the leaflet is below. Additional forms are available from the school office. This should be attached to the shoebox itself, please remember to complete the gift aid form.

Due to the late half-term holiday this year all Shoeboxes will need to be completed and in class by first thing on Friday 8thNovember. A prize will be given to the class that brings in the most shoeboxes!

If you would like more information about the charity and shoebox appeal the Link to Hope website is www.linktohope.co.uk

Wishing everyone a lovely holiday and a good rest.

Best wishes,
Mrs Wheeler and all the Staff



Individual & Sibling Photographs

Van Cols photographers will be coming in to school on Monday 4th November. Individual and sibling photographs will be taken automatically in school.

If you wish to have a photograph taken to with other family members (eg preschool children or cousins) arrangements have been made for group photographs from 8.10 am. Unfortunately, these cannot be organised during school time. Families will be seen in order of arrival and the availability for group photographs will finish at 8.50 am. Thank you.

Secondary School Admissions

Please remember that the closing date for secondary school admissions for Sept 2020 is Thursday 31st October 2019. However, as the deadline is in half term, it is recommended by Surrey that you apply before Friday 25th October.

Please try to use all your choices when completing the application. Applications received after 31st October will be treated as late applications.

Please can all Year 6 parents inform the school office of all schools you have applied for. Thank you

Volunteer Helpers: Safeguarding Confidentiality & Code of Conduct Training

Dates for updating and or renewing our safeguarding, confidentiality and code of conduct training for our volunteer helpers will be as follows:

Please can anyone who volunteers on a regular basis in school try to arrange one of the three sessions.

- Tuesday 5th November 9.00 -9.45 am & 2.45- 3.30 pm
- Friday 15th November 2.45 -3.30pm

If you have a problem with attending one of these please can you contact Mrs Dommett via the office.

School Fund/ Governors Fund Letter

Please can all parents return the response slips attached to our Chair of Governors letter sent out recently, regarding School Fund & the Governors Fund.

A reply is required by all families and we do not want to have to chase you. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Aldi Sports Competition for Schools

Thank you to all the parents who have collected the stickers while shopping in Aldi. We really appreciate your efforts and, as you can see, we have filled two of the posters. They are being sent off tomorrow and we hope that we are winners. If we are we will have the additional money we need to build a Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA) so we can have an all-weather games facility for extending our sports provision.

Thank you to our PE Leaders, Miss Steward and Miss Riddell for organising the competition and posters.



Open Afternoon and School Tour for next year's Reception Parents

There will be the following event for prospective parents:

Open Afternoon & Tours 1:30pm - 2:30pm Thursday 14th November 2019

The Headteacher will address parents at the start of both events.

Please could any prospective parents who wish to attend contact the school office to book place.

December		
25th	October	Year 3 Payment deadline for Science Museum trip
		3.30pm – School closes for half term.
4th	November	9:00am, School re-opens for 2 nd half of Autumn Term
		Individual school photographs
11 th	November	Year 2 Visit to St Luke's Church War Memorial
14 th	November	Year 3 Science Museum
		Open afternoon 1.30pm. prospective parents September 2020
18 th	November	Road Safety Week
22 nd	November	PTA Film Night – for years 1-6
29 th	November	Inset day. Please remember – school is closed for staff training.
30 th	November	Sacred Heart Church Christmas Fayre
1st	December	Cedar Tree Lights (letter to follow)
3rd	December	Whole School Nasal Flu Sniff
4 th	December	Year six height and weight
6th	December	Mufti Day bring a bottle for the school Christmas Fayre
8 th	December	St. Francis' Christmas Fayre
9th	December	Westminster Junior Choir (Years 4-6)
11th	December	Jack and the Beanstalk Panto in School
16 th	December	Junior Carol Concert
17 th	December	KS2 (only) Christmas lunch (details to follow)
18 th	December	KS1 (only) Christmas lunch (details to follow)
19 th	December	School Closes @ 1pm
20th	December	Inset Day School Closed

Lunch Money

A reminder that lunch money is now due for the new term. The cost is now £2.35 per day, making the totals as follows:

- Weekly £11.75
- First half term £86.95
- Second half term £77.55
- Whole term £163.90

Cheques should be made payable to Surrey County Council.

Alternatively, payment can be made online – if you would like instructions, please ask at the School Office.

Meals are ordered on a weekly basis; you **cannot** alter midweek. Anyone wishing to change from Packed Lunch to School Dinners or vice versa, must let the school office know **by the Friday of the previous week**. You will be charged for dinners if you have not informed us.

Thank you.

Payments

Please ensure that <u>all</u> payments sent to school office are put in an envelope, clearly marked with your child's name and what the money is for. Thank you

School Office Hours

Please be reminded that the school office is open to parents from 8:45am until 4pm, Monday to Friday only.

Outside these hours, the gate buzzer and telephone are not supervised.

If you need to arrange for your child to be collected early

From an internally run club, please make sure that you let the school office know as early as possible, preferably before 1pm. If they attend an externally run club, please contact the provider direct to arrange early pickup. Thank you.

Illness

When a child is absent from school, the school should be notified on each day by 9.30am, either by telephone, or email to absence@stfrancis.surrey.sch.uk or in person at the school office.

Please provide details of why they are off, unwell is not sufficient. In the event of vomiting or diarrhea would you please keep your child at home until they have been free of all symptoms for at least 48 hours.

Polite Reminders:

Haircuts: Please remember that children should not have extreme fashion haircuts while at school – try and save these for the longer holidays so the children may enjoy them and grow out enough in time for school terms.

Smart Watches/Wearable Technology: these must not be worn at school for e-safety and safeguarding reasons.

Jewellery - **no jewellery 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. This includes earrings, even if they are covered up with tape.

Absence Procedures

Please remember to use <u>absence@stfrancis.surrey.sch.uk</u> to report that your child is ill or will be in late or leaving early for an appointment. Please do not use office email.

Notification should be made by 9.30am on the first day of absence. You need to notify the school on **each** continuing day of absence, even if you expect your child to be off school for a few days. Where possible, all other appointments should be made outside school hours.

Clubs

After half term year 3 are invited to join **Junior Choir.** Please log on to Tucasi to secure your place.

Chess club has one space available for junior children.

We would like to welcome Flexi Flics

Gymnastics who will be running a club
after half term on a Monday mornings for
Years 1 & 2 and Friday mornings for Years
3-6, Please see flyer for more information.
All clubs will recommence after half term.

New Lunch Menus

The new menus have been sent home today. Please note that where a fish option fall's mid-week, it will be changed to a Friday and the Friday menu changed to the other day. Please see menu below.

Use of Cutlery

Please can we ask families to help us out by encouraging the children to use cutlery when eating. At lunch, many children are just using forks (or fingers!) and not using their knife. Please can you help them to practise at home. Thank you again for your support and



There will be a prize for the class with the most shoeboxes

This Half term we would like to set a challenge to help prepare for the Shoebox appeal

This is a great opportunity for our children to be part of something special that can help others, encouraging them to get involved in the true spirit of Christmas

Our Idea is to spend a little bit of time this half term sourcing items from within your home and saving you money also.

We would like each child to find a bag or a shoebox and see what items you can find within your home or a relative's home that would be appreciated by someone who has very little.

Items like

- Halloween Sweets and chocolate
- Unused toiletries (Complimentary Hotel toiletries)
- Nearly new toys /teddies
- · Reading glasses
- Stationary items
- Tissues
- Hats and scarfs in good condition
- Candles

We will be sending out the information flyer and leaflets for the shoebox appeal after half term with a collection date of Friday 8th November.

For more information on the charity please see

https://linktohope.co.uk/shoebox-appeal-2019

Any questions please feel free to email us at stfrancisshoeboxappeal@gmail.com

School Association

Christmas Themed Movie Night - 22nd November. This is a chance for children in years 1-6 to get into the spirit of Christmas with a film and Christmas themed treats. There will be a limited number of tickets available due to space in the hall. Tickets available next week via ticket tailor.

.Cinderella Pantomime at Fairfield Halls. The PTA have secured tickets for the pantomime, Cinderella at the newly refurbished Fairfield Halls on Wednesday 18th December at 7pm. Tickets are £21 each (originally £43!). Please use the link to purchase tickets -

https://www.tickettailor.com/events/stfrancisschoolassociation. Payment has been extended until the end of October so there's still time to get your tickets.

Christmas Fayre - 8th December 12-3pm. Preparations are under way for this year's Fayre which is always a good afternoon out and one of the biggest fund raising events for the school. We would be very grateful if you could ask any companies / organizations that you know for donations of raffle prizes and in return we can promote them. Warburtons have already kindly agreed to donate bread rolls for our kitchen and any other donations or suggestions are very welcome.

We are also looking for **MATCH FUNDING**. Often larger companies and banks offer to match money that is raised at an event. Please check with your employer or think about your connections to see whether this could be arranged for us. It can make a significant increase to the amount of money that we can raise so please have a think.

All queries, ideas and donations can be emailed to stfrancischristmasfayre@hotmail.com

Save the date

Movie Night -22nd November Mufti Day - 6th December - please bring in a bottle for the bottle tombola Christmas Fayre - 8th December Spring Ball - 7th March 2020

Circus - 25th June 2020 (evening)

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WEEK 1

Week starting: 4 Nov I 25 Nov 16 Dec I 20 Jan I 10 Feb | 9 Mar I 30 Mar

BBQ chicken fillet with not so spicy rice
Seashell posta pesta
Homemade tomato soup & croutons

SIDE: Help yourself salad bar DESSERT: Melon sails'

Beef enchilada with garlic bread
Red dragon pie
French bread margherita pizza
SIDE: Selection of seasonal vegetables
DESSEPT: Fruit voolburt selection

Classic roast pork with apple sauce, stuffing, roast potatoes & gravy Squash-age roll with roast potatoes & g

SIDE: Selection of seasonal vegetables

DESSERT: Oaty orange finger[†]

Veggie quarter pounder with potato wedges Y
Margherita mac 'n' cheese Y
Southern style wrap with crispy lettuce & lemon mayo Y

SIDE: As much as you can eat veg bar DESSERT: Fresh fruit salad*

Breaded fish fillet with home (non fried) fries

Veggie hotdag with home (non fried) fries

Pepperoni pasta pot

SIDE: Baked beans & fresh carrot slaw
DESSERT: Chocolate & beetroot muffin
with creme frache

Y Suitable for Vegetarians. 'Desserts highlighted with an asterix contain a minimum of 50% fruit.' Desserts highlighted with a cross are made with no added refined sugar. Full of yoghurt is available daily as an alternative to the advertised pudding. Please check with the school as the merus may be changed to meet the needs of the school.

WEEK 2

Week starting: 11 Nov I 2 Dec

Spaghetti beef meatballs

Veggie bean taco with savoury rice

BBQ chicken boo bun with rainbow noodle salad

SIDE: Selection of seasonal vegetables

DESSERT: Cheese 'n' crackers with apple slices'

Loaded vegetable pizza topped with slices of
Quom frankfurter
Lentil pasta bolognese
Cowboy hot pot

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SIDE As explained as a special real park.

SIDE: As much as you can eat veg bar DESSERT: Homebaked banana loaf¹ with custard

Yorkshire pud filled with British beef & gravy
with roast potatoes
Roasted vegetable filled Yorkshire pud
with roast potatoes & gravy
Hot roast beef loaded bun

SIDE: Selection of seasonal vegetables

DESSERT: Fruit yaghurt selection

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Oven baked fish fingers & fries
Seashell pasta bake
Loaded potato boats with cheddar cheese & ham
SIDE: Baked beans & garden peas
DESSERT: Fresh fruit selection*

Lincolnshire pork sausages with mashed potato & gravy

Veggie sausage roll with mashed potato & gravy

Cheese & red pepper panini

SIDE: Selection of seasonal vegetables

DESSERT: Twelvel5 chocolate & orange biscuit

with a glass of milk

WEEK 3

Week starting: 18 Nov I 9 Dec 13 Jan I 3 Feb I 2 Mar I 23 Mar

Cheese & tomato pizza with herby diced potatoes
Glamorgan sausage with herby diced potatoes
Homemade carrot soup with homemade bread

SIDE: Winter vegetable slaw & baked beans
DESSERT: Great balls of fruit*

Fishwich (oven baked crispy pollock in a soft roll)
with potato wedges
Vegetable fingers with potato wedges
One pot tuna pasta
SIDE: Selection of seasonal vegetables

Roast British chicken with sage & onion stuffing, roast potatoes & gravy

Quorn fillet with sage & onion stuffing, roast potatoes & gravy

Hot chicken bap with sage & onion stuffing

DESSERT: Fruit yoghurt selection

SIDE: Selection of seasonal vegetables DESSERT: Cheese 'n' crackers

Build a burger with baked tortilla chips
Margherita pizza with garlic dough balls
Classic beef meatball sub either naked or
in a homemade tomato sauce
SIDE: Selection of seasonal vegetables

Roast gammon served with home (non fried) fries
Vegan nuggets with home (non fried) fries
Fish finger & crushed pea wrap

SIDE: Baked beans & sweetcorn

DESSERT: Rainbow sponge with custard





Contact information:

Text: 07557 351405 Email: flexiflics@gmail.com Website: <u>www.flexiflics.co.uk</u>

Monday& Friday Before School Gymnastics Club at St Francis Primary School

A gymnastics club will be running in the school hall after half term on a Monday mornings for Years 1 & 2 and Friday mornings for Years 3-6. The club will be run by qualified coaches and it will run 8:00-8:45am. Children will then get changed for school and go to class in time for registration.

If you wish to sign up, your child will learn different gymnastics moves and progress through the Winstrada award scheme, hopefully achieving a badge and certificate at the end of the term, which can be purchased for £3.50. In addition to this your child will develop their coordination, balance, confidence and general gymnastics skills, while being in a fun and safe environment.

The course will run for 5 weeks this half term.

It will run from Monday 4th November – Monday 2nd December 2019.

Or Friday 8th November – Friday 13th December 2019

The cost for this term is £25.00 (£5.00 a session)

Spaces are limited, and will be offered on a first come, first served basis. To book onto the course please contact Flick on 07557 351405 or flexiflics@gmail.com. You will then receive a link to our online form to register your child. Once the form is filled out you will be added to the register and asked to make payment by bank transfer to secure the space.

Please note, all fees are non-refundable once your child has received a space.

We hope To See You at Gymnastics
The Flexi Flics Team





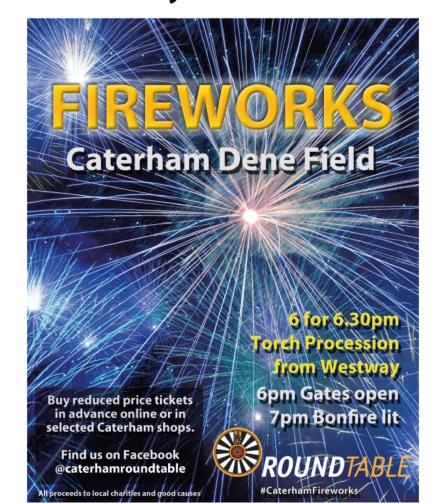






Saturday 2nd November







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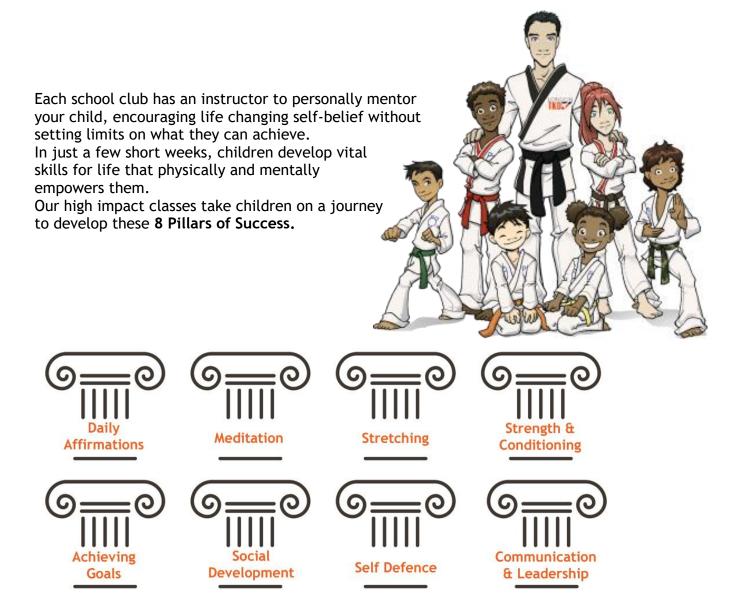
Our small but driven team of instructors have a passion for developing character in young people and aim to make a massive impact, very quickly on areas your child needs to develop. Each child is taken on an exciting journey guiding them to become more resilient, determined, courageous and positive with their own personal instructor.

If you want to see your child develop a blackbelt character, we can turn that vision into a reality. To ensure your child doesn't miss out please follow the details below.

Spaces are very limited.

- 1. Search "LondonTKD" on the App Store or Google Play Store
- 2. Download our App
- 3. Click New User, enter Studio Code: LondonTKD
- 4. Create your new account
- 5. Go to Menu buy clicking the ≡ in the top left hand corner
- 6. Click Memberships to select your preferred membership plan
- 7. You will recieve a booking confirmation via email when registration is complete





We believe the environment dictates performance and that's often quite hard to achieve at home, and it's impossible to achieve without some extra help and support. If you feel your child would benefit from development in any of these key areas, register your child now to avoid missing out as places are very limited.