# St. Francis' School Newsletter

27<sup>th</sup> April 2023



## Value of the month - Courage

#### **Dear Parents and Carers**

## Computing Workshop For Parents Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May – Save the Date!

On Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May, we have Dave Robinson from Schools Computing coming into school to work with our KS2 children on how to keep safe on line. In the evening **from 6pm-7.30**, he is delivering a session for **parents only** about keeping your children safe online in these difficult times. Dave's sessions are informative and interactive and Parents are encouraged to <u>bring their phones</u>. There are also prizes to be won! This workshop was very popular when we last ran it and Parents are strongly encouraged to attend, but without their children as some of the content is adult/parent focused. More details will follow next week.

#### **Next Week**

Monday – Bank Holiday

**Tuesday** – NEU Strike Day: Cherry, Oak and Maple classes are open. All other classes are closed. Treetops is only open to the classes who are in school.

Coronation Fun activities will happen during the week.

**Wednesday** – Crowning of Mary – children may bring in a single flower to help us decorate the Altar on Wednesday morning.

Thursday – Own Clothes Day - Red, White & Blue theme, or the younger children can wear Princes, Princesses, Kings and Queens, if they wish. There is no need or expectation for families to go out and buy new items. AND:

**Coronation Lunch** – hopefully on the field if we have good weather.

Y3&Y4 – Bhangra Dancing

Friday: - YR, Y1 and Y1 A Storyteller will be in visiting the Infant classes and Year 5 & Year 6 are South African Gumboot Dancing. PTA Y1 and Y2 Coronation Disco — see the PTA page below

#### **Football Rallies**

Both Year Four and Year Five took part in football rallies at St John's this week, and both teams ended up winning their respective tournaments and walking away with the shields! A huge





congratulations to the players, they all played exceptionally well and showed great teamwork. We'll definitely be back next year to defend our titles!

#### **Celebration Assembly**

Well done to all those certificate winners this week and to Margaret Clitheroe House for winning the House Points Cup.









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## **Fundraising Event**

A message from one of our pupils from Linden Class

so proud to be able to donate it for needier children that the Little Princess Trust provide for. I will be chuffed if you can help me to achieve my goal and raise the £750 for the cause. They make real hair wigs, free of charge, to children and young people who have lost their own hair through cancer treatment or to other conditions such as Alopecia. The charity is also one of the largest funders of childhood cancer research in the UK. The Little Princess Trust relies solely on the generosity of its wonderful supporters who help the charity give Hair and Hope to so many children and young people with cancer each year. I will be cutting my Hair Saturday 29th April at Ben's Barbers at 3pm. If you wish to donate you can donate on the day, or send in your donation to the School Office in a clearly marked envelope – Donation for The Princess trust.

I have been letting my hair grow for 3 years now, I really like it but it would make me

Wishing everyone a lovely Bank Holiday Weekend, Mrs Wheeler and Staff

<b>Calendar Dates</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> May	Bank Holiday
2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Strike Day Cherry, Oak and Maple classes are open. All other classes are
	closed. Treetops is only open to the classes who are in school.
	Coronation Celebration Week
3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Crowning of Mary (to bring single flower from the garden)
4 <sup>th</sup> May	Own Clothes Day - Red, White & Blue theme, or the younger children can
	wear Princes, Princesses, Kings and Queens, if they wish. There is no need
	or expectation for families to go out and buy new items.
5 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 1 & 2 PTA Spring Disco 5pm- 6.15pm
8 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday Kings Coronation
9 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 1 -Gatton Park Trip
	Year 4- Woldingham Activity Day Trip
10 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 3 - Frylands Woods Trip
12 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 3 & 4 PTA Spring Disco
16 <sup>th</sup> May & 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Skateboarding and Scooting Day (Details to follow)
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Bikeability Week Year 6
29 <sup>th</sup> May – 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Half Term Break
5 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception -Bocketts Farm
8 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5- Science Observatory
9 <sup>th</sup> June	Class Photographs
12 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 – Residential trip to Kingswood
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day
29 <sup>th</sup> June	PTA Summer Fayre (Details to Follow)
30 <sup>th</sup> June	Inset Day (School Development Day (SDP) -School Closed to Pupils.
4 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 2- Wildlife Centre
5 <sup>th</sup> July	Reserve Sports Day
12 <sup>th</sup> July & 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 – End of Year Performances
14 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 – Leavers Disco
18 <sup>th</sup> July - confirmed	Y6 Leavers Mass at Sacred Heart Church
Please note date change from	
20th	
21 <sup>st</sup> July	Year 6 - Leavers Assembly @9.30am
4 <sup>th</sup> September	School Opens For The New Academic Year

## Spring Disco Tickets Years 1 to 6

You are all invited to the 2023 Spring Disco event. To celebrate the upcoming Kings Coronation, the Disco will be a **Coronation themed event**. Come dressed in your best, King Queen, Prince and Princess outfits. Those children not wanting to dress up, by all means dress in your best disco outfit.



Note: Please NO swords, shields, wands or ot er closing accessories. Hats are allowed.

Years 1 & 2 School Hall Friday 5th May 2023 17:00 - 18:15

Years 3 & 4 School Hall Friday 12th May 2023 17:00 - 18:15

Years 5 & 6 School Hall Friday 12th May 2023 18:45 - 20:00

Full details and tickets can be purchased using the below link. <a href="https://www.pta-events.co.uk/stfrancisschool">https://www.pta-events.co.uk/stfrancisschool</a>

The success of these events relies on the support of Parents and Carers. If you are able to help setup, clear-up or supervise a designated area please volunteer when you purchase tickets or

email <a href="mailto:stfrancisschoolassociation@googlemail.com">stfrancisschoolassociation@googlemail.com</a>. If you are a trained first aider or DBS checked please let us know.

Thanks The PTA



Dear Parents,

Thinking of teaching? Did you know you could train as a Primary or Secondary Teacher with us at Teach SouthEast?

If you crave a career that offers the following, teaching could be just right next step for you!

- Making a difference to the lives of young people in your local area;
- Working alongside dynamic and passionate like-minded individuals committed to improving the lives of the next generation;
- · A varied working day with plenty of opportunity to increase your daily step count!
- Immersion in an environment of continuous professional development;
- Financial stability and reliable career progression.

You may have previously dismissed a career in teaching, but we have been working hard to create a provision that enables career changers to join the profession alongside our graduates. Check out our helpful videos and our website <a href="https://www.teachsoutheast.co.uk">https://www.teachsoutheast.co.uk</a>

- a. TSE Career changers video https://youtu.be/extgl4lKDwY
- b. TSE Promotional video https://youtu.be/0xtPrw1C4zk
- c. TSE University Graduates video https://youtu.be/q4oBj6AKSdw

If you would like to find out more, we will be running some online events via Zoom, where we will tell you more about Teach SouthEast and guide you towards your potential next steps into the teaching profession. If you would like to find out more, please click on one of the links below and join us via Zoom. The dates, times and links for our next few events are below:

Date	Time	Zoom Link
Thursday 20th April	6pm	https://zoom.us/i/8842866549?pwd=cklmc25zREY2MTIXSDZ4MEpvSHZ2Zz09
Tuesday 9th May	11am	https://us06web.zoom.us/i/88942502721?pwd=eGhMNFZEMjY3NDA2a3R2SX k0aU01QT09
Thursday 8th June	11am	https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82938444741

We would be delighted to hear from you and have the opportunity to convince you that teaching could be the right career for you, or indeed, a member of your family or social network! If you would like more information, please contact Chezelle Williams at <a href="mailto:teseinfo@xaviercet.org.uk">teseinfo@xaviercet.org.uk</a>

We look forward to assisting you on your pathway into the teaching profession.

Your sincerely

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