# St. Francis' School Newsletter

# 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022

# Value of the month – Courage

### **Dear Parents and Carers**

#### **Stations of the Cross Reflection**

**Holy Easter** Our week ended with our annual Stations of the Cross Reflection which was very moving. Our Year 6 children impressed us with their drama portrayal of each

Station, which helped us reflect on the Easter Story. Thank you to the Year 6 staff for preparing the children and leading them through the Liturgy.

#### Year 6 Light Up Easter Cards

Well done to year 6 who combined their Science (Circuit work) and Design and Technology curriculum work to create 'Light-Up Easter Cards'. They were amazing!

#### Lenten Collection: Catholic Children's Society

Thank you so much for all your contributions to the Lenten Catholic Children's Society collection. The money that we have raised will go towards helping those who are at the most disadvantaged in our community.

#### **Mrs Griffiths' Retirement**

In our final Celebration Assembly of the year we said a fond farewell to

Mrs Terri Griffiths who has retired after almost 22 years at the school. She has been a TA working right across the school during her time here. Many of the children will recall being heard read and being helped in classes by her. The Choir and children sang a beautiful song (in two parts!) for her as part of the farewell and there were many gifts, cards and messages to share with her. We thank her for her commitment, hard work and dedication through her time at St Francis.

#### **Poetry By Heart**

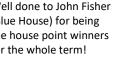
Congratulations to Nithalie (Yr6), Eloise (Yr5) and Chloe (Yr4) for being our St Francis' Poetry by Heart champions, they are going through to the regional competition. What a great achievement!

#### **Celebration Assembly**

All the children have been working really hard this week but a special well done to our certificate winners for this week.

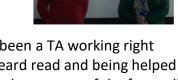
Best wishes, for a wonderful Easter break. Mrs Wheeler and Staff

Well done to John Fisher (Blue House) for being the house point winners for the whole term!





The staff and I wish you all a Happy and

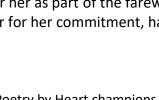












# Wintershall Passion of Jesus Play

Families may be interested in watching the Wintershall 'Passion of Jesus' which is held annually in Trafalgar Square on Good Friday at 12 & 3.15pm. It can also be viewed via their live streamed on the Wintershall Facebook page.

https://twitter.com/wintershallplay/status/1503279876106825732?s=24

E-Safety For Children and Parents Please see below a link that Parents and Carers may find useful at home for supporting children with understanding online safety.

https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/collection/cybersprinters/home-activities



## SPORTS DAY T-SHIRTS & CAPS - ONLY 10 DAYS LEFT TO ORDER!

Deadline for orders is **Sunday 3 April.** To order please use the enclosed URL. Full details available. No orders can be accepted after the deadline!

https://www.pta-events.co.uk/stfrancisschool

## **SPRING DISCO TICKETS YRS 2-6**

Full details and Tickets available

Year 2 School Hall Friday 22nd April 2022 17:00 - 18:30

Years 3 & 4 School Hall Friday 6th May 2022 17:00 - 18:30

Years 5 & 6 School Hall Friday 6th May 2022 19:00 - 20:30

https://www.pta-events.co.uk/stfrancisschool

Tickets for both can be purchased at the same time. Please continue to support the school, if you don't already its easy - you can link your personal Amazon account to AmazonSmile and St Francis School, Caterham using the enclosed link. Donations are made at no cost you! <u>https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/294760-0</u>

<b>Calendar Dates</b>	
19 <sup>th</sup> April	School Reopens @ 9am
22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Year 2 Disco- 5-6.30pm (School Hall)
•	Tickets can be booked via the PTA
25 <sup>th</sup> April	Bikeability Week- Year 6
26 <sup>th</sup> April	Football Fixture @ St Johns- Year 6 TBC
	Netball Fixture @ Hamsey Green -Year 6 TBC
27 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 6 Kingswood & SATS Meeting
3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Year 4 to High Ashurst
4th May	Year 3 to Fryland Woods
6 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 3 & 4 Disco – 5-6.30pm (School Hall)
	Year 5 & 6 Disco – 7- 8.30pm (School Hall)
9 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATS Week
16 <sup>th</sup> May	Walk to School Week
20 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 to Blackland Farm / School Sleepover
23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Jubliee Celebration Week
23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Viking Visit in School -Year 4
25 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 1 to Wakehurst Place
30 <sup>th</sup> May—3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Half term
6 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Phonics Screening
7 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception to Bocketts Farm
13 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Kingswood Residential Trip
20 <sup>th</sup> June	Other Faith Week (Islam)
23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Inset Day –SDP (School Development Plan)
24 <sup>th</sup> June	School Closed in Lieu of Jubilee Day
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 to Science Observatory Trip
4 <sup>th</sup> July	District Sports at Hamsey Green -Details to Follow
6 <sup>th</sup> July	Beech Class to British Wildlife Centre
7 <sup>th</sup> July	Larch Class to British Wildlife Centre
	District Sports at St Johns- Details to Follow
8 <sup>th</sup> July	Whole school Sports Day
	PTA Summer Fayre
13 <sup>th &amp;</sup> 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 School Play- 6.30-7.30pm
21 <sup>st</sup> July	Year 6 leavers Mass at Sacred Heart
	1:45/2pm (time to be confirmed)
Date to be confirmed	Year 6 Leavers Disco
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	School Finishes 1pm





# The Community Needs You!

Between 13th & 20th May, the students of Sunnydown School will be cycling 660km around Kenley Aerodrome.

We want to raise £35,000 for to support local schools by providing additional Specialist Mental Health and Wellbeing Practitioner hours for those families in need.

# www.justgiving.com/campaign/ caterhamcyclechallenge

cyclescheme@sunnydown.surrey.sch.uk

Please help by sponsoring this event - any donations are gratefully received.

### **Caterham Scout Council**

Caterham District Scout Council would like to invite you to their Annual St George's day Parade and service on 24<sup>th</sup> April at United Reformed Church in Harestone Valley Road. The march past will be at about 2.35 pm, outside Soper Hall, and the service will commence at 3.00 p.m. in the Church. Tea and coffee will be served after the service. Please bring your partner, wife or husband. I hope you can join us at this event which is special to the Scouting community.

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