St. Francis' School Newsletter

6th May 2022



Value of the month – Peace

Dear Parents and Carers

KS2 Disco Tonight

We are looking forward to our KS2 Disco tonight. Our thanks go to the PTA for arranging the event and to those who have volunteered to help.

May is the Month of Mary

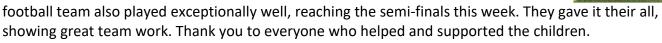
Thank you to everyone who donated the beautiful flowers for our 'Crowning of Mary' Liturgy. In his Gospel, Luke tells us that Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. it be done to me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her (Luke 1:38). In May, we remember Mary. All Gabriel needed was Mary's answer. Knowing that God

had chosen her, because of her faith she knew that she would be able to do what He asked of her. We look up to Mary because through all our questions and doubts, we are reminded to have faith and to rest assured that God will always look after us.

This is the perfect time to come together and to pray the **rosary**, or part of it (perhaps a decade) each week. www.teachingcatholickids.com explains clearly what the mysteries are for each decade, and also explains the order of the prayers used when praying the rosary.

Sporting Fixtures

Last week our Netball Team A were unbeaten in all their games, coming first and winning the tournament and Team B came in 4th place out of 8 schools. They all played amazingly, showed complete determination and fantastic sportsmanship throughout and had a great time playing all the different schools. The Year Six footballers did not win their games, but they all played brilliantly and worked really well as a team despite never playing together in a match before. The Year Five





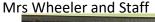
As parents you have a responsibility to ensure your child attends school. Please be reminded that the Headteacher is not permitted to grant leave of absence during term time, unless there are exceptional circumstances. All requests for leave must be put in writing, in advance for consideration. Holidays are coded as 'unauthorised absences'. Pupil attendance below 90% is monitored by ourselves and the Local Authority

Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to our Celebration Assembly Certificate holders and House Point Winners

John Fisher for the week.

Best wishes, for a relaxing weekend.













QUIZ NIGHT - SATURDAY 18 JUNE 2022

St Francis School Hall - 19:00 - 22:30

Join us for a fun, interactive evening and help raise money towards the PTA. Bring your own food and drink or order a takeaway on the night. Build your own teams, or just turn up on the night. Teams can be up to 8 people and are encouraged to come in fancy dress and decorate their tables with their chosen theme, there will of course be a prize for the best table! Over 18s only!

Extend the invite to family and friends and lets have some fun! Entry Ticket £5 per person Tickets can be purchased using the link below.

https://www.pta-events.co.uk/stfrancisschool All the best, The PTA









Registration is open until 20 May 2022, for beginners aged 7-16yrs to access a range of FREE activities, across Surrey.

For more than two decades the Specsavers Surrey Youth Games has been giving young people their first taste of a way to stay active, build new skills and make new friends – all for free.

Organised by Active Surrey, the programme is aimed at young people who are not club members and struggle to access opportunities, due to a lack of travel options or family circumstances. Thanks to free training provided by their local council, 7-16 year olds can choose an activity and go from complete beginner to competent player in as little as six to eight weeks. Taking part helps children make friends and unearth hidden talents as they develop their skills and have the chance to attend a free celebration event at the Surrey Sports Park in June.

How kids can get involved

Activities vary by age and availability but every borough and district in Surrey is offering free training now. To take part, parents or carers just need to register their child online, which can be done via the Active Surrey website www.activesurrey.com/SYG

Depending on age, children can get involved in street basketball, inclusive dance, judo, tennis, girls' football and GoTri (indoor row, cycle and an outside run).

Emma Das, Event Lead Officer at Active Surrey is looking forward to seeing young 'Gamers' build their confidence as they work towards the main celebration event on Saturday 18 June: "After a tough two years for young people, the Specsavers Surrey Youth Games programme is a great example of councils and communities pulling together to create something fun for those kids who don't always get the chance to be involved in physical activity and try something new."

To find out more about the Games and activities on offer, visit the Active Surrey website at www.activesurrey.com/SYG

Calendar Dates	
9 th May	Year 6 SATS Week
16 th May	Class Photographs
16 th May	Walk to School Week
20 th May	Year 5 to Blackland Farm / School Sleepover
23 rd May	Jubliee Celebration Week
23 rd May	Viking Visit in School -Year 4
25 th May	Year 1 to Wakehurst Place
30 th May—3 rd June	Half term
6 th June (Week of)	Year 1 Phonics Screening
7 th June	Reception to Bocketts Farm
13 th June	Year 6 Kingswood Residential Trip
20 th June	Other Faith Week (Islam)
23 rd June	Inset Day –SDP (School Development Plan)
24 th June	School Closed in Lieu of Jubilee Day
28 th June	Year 4 to Science Observatory Trip
30 th June	Year 6 Kingswood Assembly @9:30am – Parents are welcome to attend
4 th July	District Sports at Hamsey Green -Details to Follow
6 th July	Beech Class to British Wildlife Centre
7 th July	Larch Class to British Wildlife Centre
	District Sports at St Johns- Details to Follow
8 th July	Whole school Sports Day
	PTA Summer Fayre
13 ^{th &} 14 th July	Year 6 School Play- 6.30-7.30pm
21 st July	Year 6 leavers Mass at Sacred Heart with teas and coffees afterwards.
	1:45/2pm (time to be confirmed)
20 th July	Year 6 Leavers Disco 7-9pm
22 nd July	School Finishes 1pm



Please continue to support the school, if you don't already, its easy- you can kink your personal Amazon account to AmazonSmile and St Francis School, Caterham using the link below. Donations are made at no cost to you!

https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/294760-0

Sunnydown School Charity Cycle Challenge



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.



