

St. Francis' School Newsletter

13th May 2022



Value of the month – Peace

Dear Parents and Carers

Inconsiderate Parking

We are seeing an increase in inconsiderate and dangerous parking. This is not in keeping with our school ethos. Please can I remind all parents that, for everyone's safety, parking should only be in the allocated bays. If no bays are available, please park off site and walk in. Based on postcodes, most of our families live within a 10-minute walk of the school, so now that the summer days are here we strongly recommend walking, scooting and cycling to school. **Disabled Bays:** We have a number of parents and grandparents who need to drop off or pick up children and who have not been able to as the bays have been taken by those without Blue Badges. To use a disabled bay, you must display your blue badge.

KS2 Disco

Thank you to the PTA and Parent helpers who ran the KS2 Disco. A great time was had by all the children.



SATs Tests

Well done to our Year 6 children who have now all completed their SATs tests. They were all sensible, worked hard and did their very best, which is all we ask of the children.

We look forward to 'Y6 Transition Visits', in the coming weeks, from some of the Heads of Year 7 from the local Secondary Schools. They meet with the children, teachers and myself as part of the transition process. If you have any concerns around your child and transition, please do make an appointment to see the class teachers or myself. We are happy to help, where possible, to make the transition process easier for the children.

Class Photographs

On **Monday 16th May** the photographer will be in school to take class photographs. **Can you please make sure your child is in school on time and dressed in summer uniform.** If your child has PE that day, they need to arrive in uniform and bring their kit in a bag to change into. Thank you for your cooperation.

Jubilee/Royal Fancy Dress Competition commencing 23rd May

We shall be celebrating the Queen's Jubilee across the week of 23rd May with various activities, culminating in a special day of celebrations on the Friday 27th. On the Friday we would love it if children can come dressed up in fancy dress with a 'Royal Theme'. We shall choose winners from each class and have a 'Royal Parade' that day and choose an overall winner from each keystage. If the children do not want to wear fancy dress they can come dressed in own clothes with a red, white and blue or purple (the Jubilee colour) theme. There will be a PTA Jubilee Picnic Event at the end of the day, please see the details below. Instructions for collecting children from school that day will follow next week.



Walk To School Week- Next Week

This is a walking challenge week in which children are encouraged to walk, wheel, cycle or scoot to school every day of the week. Children participating will receive a badge Tuesday to Thursday. The goal of this is to raise awareness and support for the health, community and environmental benefits as well as to help children reach their minimum 60 minutes of exercise per day.



Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to our Celebration Assembly certificate holders and House Point Winners Maragret Clitherow for the week.

Best wishes, for a relaxing weekend.
Mrs Wheeler and Staff



St Francis School Association

Friday 27th May 2022



Jubilee Day *Field Picnic*

3:30pm to 5:30pm on the School Field

BRING A BLANKET, BRING A PICNIC

PIMMS TENT

SOFT DRINKS - ICE CREAMS - SWEETS - BUNTING

ST FRANCIS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

No entry charge. Card & cash accepted on drinks & sweets purchases. Donations to the School Association welcomed.

Calendar Dates

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	Jubilee Celebration Week
23 rd May	Viking Visit in School -Year 4
25 th May	Year 1 to Wakehurst Place
27 th May	PTA Jubilee Picnic
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

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

Sunnydown School Fundraiser Event

We are hosting a live band charity fundraiser that we have organised for the end of the Cycle Challenge, next Friday 20th May. It is a great event to end the week and will help us to raise more money to fund specialist mental health support in local schools. We hope you're able to join us.

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/sunnydownevents/#.YnzzgP-jMKUI>

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