

# St. Francis' School Newsletter

27<sup>th</sup> May 2022



## Value of the month – Peace

### Dear Parents and Carers

#### Ascension

It was wonderful to have Father Stephen join us to celebrate our Ascension Day Mass, which is the first whole school Mass that we have been able to have since 2020. It truly was a special occasion to have everyone in the hall again for this celebration - more so as our children in Years 3 and 4 have been making their first Holy Communion, so many of them were able to receive communion at school for the first time. It was also an opportunity for our new liturgy group to lead the singing as Mass which they did beautifully (even singing some parts in Latin!). We look forward to our next Mass on the Feast of St Peter and St Paul.



#### Jubilee Celebrations

We have all had a lovely week full of Jubilee activities, culminating today with everyone dressed up in red, white and blue or dressed up as Kings, Queens, Princesses and Princes. It was lovely to see and we have had an exciting day. Two children were chosen from each class as winners and received a treat in assembly. Year 3 (Cedar and Rowan won the competition for the best 'dressed' classroom doors. The weather kept fine and we had a wonderful picnic lunch out on the field. Thank you to our kitchen staff for preparing everything and for the lovely 'jubilee crown' biscuits and tubs of ice-cream! Scroll down to see some photos of the doors and winning costumes. Now we are looking forward to our PTA picnic after school!



#### Poetry and Prose Club

Well done to all those who received their certificates, medals and trophies for their participation in the Poetry and Prose Festival and for their LAMDA results. We are very proud of you. A very special 'thank you' goes to Mrs Shannon for preparing the children.

#### Vikings Year 5 Visit

On Monday, Year 4 enjoyed their Viking day, where they dressed up and were immersed in various activities. They had a quiz, deciphered runes, played a Viking board game and role-played a Viking myth. However, their favourite activities were handling the artefacts, such as animal skins, jewellery, ice-skates, made from bone, spears and swords. A great way to start their Viking history topic.



#### Head Girl Art Competition

Our head girl Olivia would like to invite children across the school to take part in an art competition with the winner being announced in celebration assembly on the 10<sup>th</sup> June. There will be a Key stage 1/EYFS winner and a KS2 winner.

The task is to create a piece of art work (can use pencil, paints, clay, model magic, felt tip etc) to create a piece of work on the theme of "The world around us". Pieces of art could be about animals, flowers, trees, landscapes etc.

Please could all entries be brought to Miss Morris by Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June. We can't wait to see all your wonderful work!

## Celebration Assembly

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

Best wishes, for a lovely half term

Mrs Wheeler and Staff





## Calendar Dates

30 <sup>th</sup> May—3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Half term
6 <sup>th</sup> June (Week of)	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
30 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Kingswood Assembly @9:30am – Parents are welcome to attend
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</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 with teas and coffees afterwards. 1:45/2pm (time to be confirmed)
20 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Disco 7-9pm
22 <sup>nd</sup> 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

