



St. Francis' School Newsletter

19th April 2024

Value of the month – Courage

Dear Parents and Carers,



Our new term has started with great enthusiasm once again! The children have settled back in very well. The Staff and I thank you for all your Easter cards and good wishes.

St. Georges Day (Tuesday 23rd April)

In recognition of St. George's Day on all Uniformed Groups eg: Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Cadets will be allowed to wear their uniform into school on **Tuesday next week**.

House Point Winners

Congratulations to the termly house point winners **Anne Line**. They may wear their house colours on **Friday 26th April**.

Coffee Morning Reminder

Coffee morning on **Monday 22nd at 9am** providing workshops on managing challenging behaviours.

Earth Day Monday 22nd April

Join us to honour and celebrate our remarkable planet on this extraordinary day. Earth Day is a reminder of the importance of environmental conservation and sustainability, encouraging us to come together and take action for a healthier planet and brighter future. Let's unite in our efforts to protect the Earth today and for generations to come. Together, we can make a meaningful impact and create a more sustainable world. Should you want to discuss this with them this is a useful website: <https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/celebrations/article/earth-day>



Breck Foundation

Year 5 and 6 attended a workshop organised by the Breck Foundation, where they learnt about the dangers of online grooming and how to avoid becoming a victim of it in our increasingly digital world. Although a tragic story, the children have become more aware of not trusting people based on their digital profile; they have also been taught how to block and report suspicious activity online.



PTA Events

Please see below of information regarding the Summer Fayre which takes place Saturday 29th June.

Celebration Assembly

Well done to all those certificate winners this week and to **Anne Line** for winning the House Points Cup.



Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Mrs Wheeler and Staff



Parents Coffee Morning



Monday 22nd April at 9am

In Acorns (The hut on the playground)

**We will once again welcome the Mental Health Support Team.
They will be providing a workshop on Managing Challenging Behaviours.**

Please arrive after 8.50 - we will take a register in Acorns so you do not need to sign in at the Office.

Any questions please ask Mrs Dommett or Mrs Hamilton.

All parents and younger siblings welcome

Calendar Dates

22 nd April	Coffee Morning 8.45- 10.30am - Managing Difficult Behaviors.
25 th & 26 th April	Year 3 Feet First
8 th May	Year 4 to High Ashurst
13 th May	Year 6 SATS Week
15 th May	Year 3 to Frylands Woods
16 th May	Year 5 Gatton Park
20 th -24 th May	Five- Day Walking Challenge- Details to follow
24 th May	Talent Show- Details to follow
27 th May—31 st May	Half Term
3 rd June	School Reopens @9am
10 th June	Year 6 Kingswood Residential Trip
11 th June	Reception to Bocketts Farm
14 th June	Year 1 to Horniman Museum
17 th June	Year 6 Bikeability
28 th June	Whole School Sports Day
29 th June	PTA Summer Fayre
1 st July	District Sports Field - Details to Follow
4 th July	District Sports Track - Details to Follow
5 th July	Reserve Sports Day
12 th July	Year 6 Disco
15 th July	Changeover Day TBC
18 th July	Leavers Mass TBC
19 th July	Leavers Assembly School Finishes @1pm For the Summer Holidays.
3 rd September	School reopens @9am

Dear Parents/Carers,

Summer Fayre - Saturday 29 June 2024

This year the PTA and School will be holding a Summer Fayre on 29 June and look forward to having as many parents, children, family and friends join us.

On Tuesday this week, the PTA Committee met to discuss events and to progress the organisation for the day we now need a follow up meeting. This has been scheduled for **Thursday 02 May for the PTA, Class Reps and parents** to get together to talk this through.

Please note that to assist we are suggesting this meeting be held by Zoom. Details of this has been sent out to all parents and carers via email.

The PTA Committee would be very grateful for assistance please from Parents who maybe able to volunteer to support with this event, so please let your Class Rep know, if you are willing. It would not be an all day commitment.

Bags 2 School - 21 June 2024

Please note that the next opportunity to contribute to this collection will be 21 June 2024. Please ensure all clothes as suitably bagged up so to aid collection, distribution & and any temporary storage.

Many thanks in advance

PTA Committee.



INTRODUCING OUR NEW SPRING/SUMMER MENU

80% OF OUR MENU IS MADE FROM SCRATCH USING FRESH INGREDIENTS



All our menus adhere to the Government Food Standards and are developed with little ones in mind. We have over 70 years experience in providing school meals.

Our meat is Red Tractor approved and our fish carries the MSC accreditation.

Our Primary school kitchens are nut free. We have a range of Special Diet menus and cater for the 14 key allergens identified by the Food Standards Agency.

We reduce salt and sugar whenever possible in our recipes, for example our sponge puddings contain 50% fruit - the natural sugars replace some refined sugar.

Click [here](#) to find out more about Twelve15 school meals (including special diets) and see our range of menus.



We like to make our meals as nutritionally dense as possible.

For example on our new menu:

- we add carrots and courgette to our homemade tomato sauce.
- our lasagne beef has added vegetables.
- our chicken goujons have 'hidden' cauliflower.
- our chicken meatballs contain sweetcorn and are topped with our homemade tomato sauce.
- our Caribbean Quorn fajitas are a great source of protein, fibre, calcium, folic acid, Vitamin B plus vitamin rich peppers and onions.
- our roasted vegetable parcel is filled with fresh vegetables and a selection of beans wrapped in a light flaky pastry, served alongside our signature tomato sauce.

***Not signed-up yet for school meals which are FREE for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils?
Please speak to your School Office.***

