



St. Francis' School Newsletter

24th May 2024

Value of the month – Peace

Dear Parents and Carers,

Whyteleafe Road Closures.

Please note the following details regarding the Whyteleafe Road Closure for resurfacing works. It will be closed from the junction with Salmons Lane to Burntwood Lane.

28-31st May (Half Term) Road closed 8-5pm on weekdays

3-6th June Road closed 9.30-3pm on weekdays

Please make sure you allow extra time for getting into school on time during this period.

If you need to access the school during the actual closure times (eg: to pick up for dental/medical appointments) you will need to allow plenty of time park down the side roads and walk in. Where possible it may be simpler just to avoid booking appointments during the closures.

Tennis Festival for Years 5&6

10 pupils from years 5 and 6 had a wonderful time at the Tennis Festival this morning at the Caterham and Whyteleafe Tennis Club. They learned new skills and had mini games and returned with certificates. Well done to all who participated. If your children are interested in joining the club do look at their website:

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/CaterhamWhyteleafeTennisClub/Coaching>

Outdoor Day

On Thursday we celebrated “learning outside” with all classes having at least one lesson, or part of a lesson outside. We were graced with mostly dry weather which meant that we could make good use of our wonderful grounds including many classes visiting the prayer garden.

Talent Show

A big thank to Mrs Palmer for once again organising a wonderful talent show. This is an afternoon filled with celebrating the various talents of children across the school. Thank you so much to those who auditioned and well done to all participants.

Celebration Assembly

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

Well done to those who “went green” this week through their engagement in **Time table Rockstar**. The class verses class challenge continues till the end of half term and it is still very close- keep up your hard work!

We said a huge “Thank you” to Mrs Cornwell who has been volunteering at the school for the last 10 years and today was here last day today. We thank her for all her support over the years and hope she enjoys her “retirement”. Good Luck to Mrs Hughes today as she begins her maternity leave. We look forward to meeting baby Hughes in the near future,

Wishing everyone a wonderful half term,

Mrs Wheeler and Staff



Calendar Dates

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
8 th July	Trussell Trust fund raiser – Wear green. Ice pops for sale after lunch
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

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.

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

