

St. Francis' School Newsletter

3rd July 2026



Virtue of the month – – Appreciation

Dear Parents and Carers

What an amazing Sports Day that was! Beautiful weather, exciting races, and everyone gave it their best shot. From sprints and relays to long jumps to wellie throwing, there was something for everyone to enjoy. Weren't those relay races exciting?! It was fantastic to see so much team spirit, cheering, and big smiles all around. Well done to the mums who were brave enough to give it ago, while Dads ... well, let's just say we'll give it a better go next year! Congratulations to **John Fisher** house for winning the cup! A big **thank you** to Mrs Jobson, Mrs Couch, Miss Rudman for planning the day and to all the families who came along to cheer and make the day so special. Well done to all – especially Brody!



We would also like to congratulate the children who represented our school at the District Sports competition yesterday and on Monday. Although we were not overall winners this year, the children were exceptional ambassadors for our school and should be incredibly proud of their achievements. While trophies are wonderful to win, the values of teamwork, resilience, respect and striving to achieve your personal best are equally important. A huge thank you to the staff and families who supported the children throughout the event.

Our Changeover Day was a great success, with children spending time in their new classes, meeting their teachers, and beginning to build excitement for the year ahead. It was wonderful to see so many smiling faces embracing this next step in their school journey with confidence and enthusiasm. All our staff are excited to get to know all of the children, and to inspire, support, and nurture learning in their new classrooms.

As we approach the final 2 weeks of term, it has been wonderful to see our children continue to work hard and keep doing their very best. Please could you as parents ensure 100% attendance for these last 10 days as we have a lot of ground still to cover? We have lots of work and lots of fun and regardless of the weather it is vital that your children continue to be in and getting the very best.

Next week, we are delighted to welcome our new Reception children and their families to school for our **Play and Stay sessions**. These sessions provide a wonderful opportunity for children to spend time in their new learning environment, meet their teachers and classmates, and begin to feel comfortable and excited about starting school in September. We cannot wait to meet all of our new Reception children and are excited to begin working alongside them and their families. We are sure they will quickly settle in, thrive and become a valued part of our school. We look forward to creating many happy memories together in the years ahead.

We know there is lots of excitement around England's game on Monday, but we would like to remind families that all children should arrive on time, ready to start the day by 9:00am.

With warmer weather expected next week, please help your child stay comfortable by ensuring they bring a named water bottle and sun hat to school. We also recommend applying sun cream before they arrive each morning. Thank you for your support in helping us ensure all children are present, prepared and ready to learn. We hope everyone enjoys a safe and enjoyable weekend.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend.

Mr Doyle & Staff

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When you open the windows, do you have to beg the fresh air to come in? or when you open the curtains in the morning, do you have to argue with the sun to make it shine into your room? How silly! You just open the windows and the air flows in. You open the the curtains and the sun shines in. The bible says it's like that with God's peace. It will flow into our hearts, if we let it. Are you worried? Are you anxious? Is anything troubling you today? Don't try to work it all out by yourself. Let God's peace flow in- Like sunshine into a dark room. Colossians 3.15 **Mr Yarnell**

Calendar Dates

6 th July	Reception to Bocketts Farm- Details to follow
7 th & 8 th July	Year 6 Production
9 th July	New reception Children -Play & Stay @ 2,15pm
10 th July	Year 1 Trip to Godstone Farm
10 th July	Year 6 Leavers Disco
13 th July	Year 6 Mass @ Sacred Heart
17 th July	Year 6 Leavers Mass @9.10am
17 th July	Break up From School @1pm
1 st September	Inset Day -School Closed
2 nd September	Inset Day -School Closed
3 rd September	School Reopens @9am



