



St. Francis

Church of England Primary School

Love Faith. Love People. Love Learning.

Week ending: 12.05.25

Upcoming dates

Monday 12th May – 15th May:

Y6 SATS week

Monday 12th May:

Y1 visit to St. Francis Church

Tuesday 13th May:

Y3 trip to Brockholes

Sunday 11th May:

Church Parade

Friday 16th May:

Y6 Charity Day event

OPAL Stay and Play – 2.50pm

Monday 26th May – Friday 30th May:

Half-term holiday

Monday 2nd June:

School opens for Summer 2

Thursday 5th June:

Messy Church

Sunday 8th June:

Church Parade

Wednesday 11th June:

Y4's Multiplication Tables Check assessment day

Thursday 12th June: Our Reception class will be leading Father's Day worship. Details to follow.

Monday 16th June – Friday 20th June:

Assessment week across school (not Y6 or EYFS)

Friday 27th June:

Sports Day and PTA Colour Run – parents/carers invited. Details to follow

Summer Term week 3

What a remarkable week we've had, celebrating the 80th anniversary of VE Day! Our school came alive with the spirit of remembrance and gratitude. Mrs. Carter's worship enlightened us about World War II, touching on rationing, land girls, and evacuees, reminding us of the sacrifices made by all.

Thursday's VE Day celebration was a resounding success, with nearly 200 attendees. The air buzzed with 1940s nostalgia as Balderstone Brass Band played and our choir, led by Rachel Anderton, sang beautifully. From historical artefacts to games and a bouncy castle, there was something for everyone. Our heartfelt thanks go to Mrs. Lovick and her team for their exceptional organisation.

Your feedback warmed our hearts: "What a lovely way to commemorate VE Day" and "Absolutely brilliant celebration" were just a couple of the wonderful comments received.

As we look ahead, next week brings the Y6 SATs. We're keeping our oldest pupils in our prayers, hoping they shine in their tests. Remember, dear Y6, your true value lies not in test scores, but in who you are as individuals and the values you live out in your life.

**Balderstone
Brass
Band**



Year 1's trip to Martin Mere

"Everyone in Year 1 enjoyed the trip to Martin Mere. We saw lots of ducks and other kinds of birds. We have been learning about birds in class and it was good to see them in real-life. We pretended to hatch out of an egg, walked like we had webbed feet and danced like flamingos."

Year 6 Award Winners



Year 5 Award Winners



Year 4 Award Winner



Y3 Award winners



Y2 Award winner



Y1 Award winner



Reception Class Award winner



Well done to our award winners and special mentions this week!

Remember, if your child isn't on one of these photographs, reassure him/her that that doesn't mean they haven't been noticed!

Our staff celebrate achievements – great and small – every day in class, whether it's through praise, a postcard home, a sticker or a thumbs up.

Review of our school vision - update

Thank you to those parents/carers who have already shared their views about our school vision through the School Spider survey.

It has been lovely to see so many of you sharing your thoughts about what we do well as a school.

The majority of parents believe we instil values of kindness, respect, friendship, community and love: and with the news shared on our newsletters each week, we would agree!

The main aims that parents/carers want us to aspire to for our school community are 'to be the best we can be', 'to find joy in the journey' and 'being proud of our accomplishments'.

We will continue to seek the views of all staff, children and governors regarding the vision for our wonderful school.

Netball Team

Our brand-new netball team took part in their very first tournament on Tuesday, at Witton Park. Mrs Wrigley-Reynolds and Miss Miller were extremely proud of the way they conducted themselves: with determination, a willingness to learn from others, and their dedication towards introducing tactics! Now they have some experience, we are hoping that the next time there is a netball tournament, they will be even more confident!

