



St. Francis

Church of England Primary School

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Week ending: 06.06.25

Upcoming dates

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.

Friday 13th June:

Year 5's Charity event.
Details to follow

Monday 16th June – Friday 20th June:

Assessment week across school (not Y6 or EYFS)

Tuesday 24th June:

Y1 – Y4 Road Safety
Workshops

Wednesday 25th June:

New Reception Class – Stay and Play afternoon

Friday 27th June:

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

Monday 30th June:

Y6 Leavers' Service at Blackburn Cathedral

Thursday 3rd July:

'Move-up Morning'

Eid Mubarak to all our families and friends celebrating this most holy time. Blessings upon you all.

What a wonderful start to our final half term! It's been heartening to see how quickly our children have settled back into the rhythm of school life after the break. Their enthusiasm and readiness to learn never fails to inspire me.

We were blessed to have Reverend Bryn lead our worship this week, reminding us all to be thankful for the gifts and blessings God has given us. It's so important that we take time to reflect on gratitude, especially as we approach the end of another school year.

I was delighted to see such an enthusiastic group of children participate in Messy Church with Pat Rushton. These opportunities for our children to explore their faith in creative and engaging ways are truly special, and it was wonderful to witness their joy and participation.

Today brought exciting news as we had the pleasure of meeting Mr Turner, who will be joining us as our new Deputy Headteacher. I know you'll join me in giving him a warm St Francis welcome when he officially starts with us in September.

PTA Rainbow Day!

Thanks to all our parents/carers for your support with the PTA Rainbow Day fundraising event. It was so lovely to see such an array of colours in the hall this morning during Celebration Worship!

Thanks as always to our magnificent PTA for arranging this simple-but-effective way to raise much-needed funds for school.



Y6 Award winner



Y5 Award winners and special mentions



Y4 Award winner



Y3 Award winner

Well done Aadam!

Y2 Award winner



Y1 Award winners



Reception Class Award winners



Sports Day and Colour Run

Join us if you can for our annual Sports Day and Colour Run on Friday 27th June (weather permitting).

The day will start at 9.30am with our Sports Day: a carousel of traditional activities including a bean bag throw, a wheelbarrow race and a high jump amongst other events.

Parents/carers can bring their own deck chairs to sit on while watching their children moving around the various zones. Tea and coffee will be available to buy from the PTA.

At lunchtime - 12.00–1.00pm - our PTA will be providing refreshments which can be purchased by parents/carers while our own children have their school dinner or packed lunch in class.

In the afternoon – from 1.15pm – we will continue the Sports Day on the race track with an obstacle race, egg and spoon race and the usual sprint races for children and adults!

After Sports Day we will move to the OPAL field and end the afternoon with the PTA Colour Run.

Children will need to wear a white T-Shirt on this day if they plan to take part in the Colour Run at the end.

Uniform Reminders

Our new uniform expectations for 2025-2026 were shared in the previous newsletter.

In the meantime however, it is important that for the remainder of this academic year, children continue to come to school in the correct uniform; and uniform reminders and slips will be given out to those children not following our expectations next half term.

As a reminder:

- Trainers and school shoes must be plain black
- Joggers, shorts and hoodies are not to be branded
- If worn, cycle shorts must be knee-length or just above the knee – also not branded
- Hair braids and 'extreme' styles are not allowed
- Earrings and other forms of jewellery are not to be worn

Thank you for helping us to maintain good standards of uniform and appearance right up to the end of the year.

Social Media use concerns

We have had a number of upset and scared younger children in school this week, after some unsuitable Tik Tok videos that had been watched at home, had been re-enacted in school. Please do make sure that the social media your child(ren) have access to, are appropriate for your child's age range. The videos in question come from a 'Tik Toker' whose clips are mainly vaguely appropriate and fun to watch. But this person also posts videos about scary subject matter and adult themes which young children should not be watching at all.

Payment reminder

Please could all parents/carers ensure they clear their outstanding balances for lunches and breakfast club? We have a growing number of large debts from some of our families which will need to be pursued.

Postcard design competition for St Francis children

CLOSING DATE:
FRIDAY 20TH JUNE

Design the front of a postcard which can be used to share with visitors, our local community and church family.

The postcard could include our logo, our school colours, our values and anything else that represents our wonderful school!

Be as creative as possible - collage, paint, fabric, crayon, felt-tips - all can be used in the design.

The winning entries will have their postcards printed and used as our 'official' St. Francis postcard.

Postcard templates are available from the school office.
Hand in the finished designs to Mrs. Foster.

Save the Dates

Thursday 10th July: Y6's Performance 7pm

Friday 11th July: Rocksteady Concert 9.30 – 10.00am

Reports to parents/carers

Friday 18th July: School finishes for summer at 1pm

Year 5 and Year 6 children

Reverend Bryn is inviting all interested Year 5 children to come along to the confirmation preparation sessions, as detailed below. If parents/carers have any questions about the sessions, please do contact Rev'd Bryn.

Confirmation at Immanuel and St. Francis

On Sunday 7th September 2025 we'll be having a joint confirmation service at St. Francis Church at 10.45am. If you or your child is interested in being confirmed or finding out more about Christianity, you'd be very welcome at our confirmation preparation sessions: 6.15pm on Thursdays 5th, 12th 19th, 26th June at Immanuel Church. Please contact Rev. Bryn to sign up: rev.bryn@outlook.com