

### St. Francis

Church of England Primary School

Joy from faith, joy of learning, joy in the journey

Week ending: 11.07.25

'I have told you this so my joy may be in you' John 15:11

Upcoming dates

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July:

Talent show 1.30pm

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July:

Mrs Kolosova's Music Group performance – 9.15am -9.45am; parents/carers invited

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July:

Y6 Leaver's Service 9.15am

School closes for summer at 1.00pm

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September:

School opens for children Y1 - Y6

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September:

'Group 1' Reception starters

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September:

'Group 2' Reception starters

What a wonderful week we have had at St Francis CE Primary! I am delighted to share with you the many highlights that have filled our school with joy, celebration, and a renewed sense of purpose.

Monday marked a particularly special moment as we gathered for wholeschool worship to share our new vision and values with all our children. The responses were truly lovely, demonstrating how deeply our young people connect with the principles that guide our school community. This meaningful foundation has inspired our classes to embark on an exciting creative journey, busily writing a new school prayer based on these very vision and values. The anticipation builds as we prepare to decide on our 'official' prayer next week.

Our spiritual life continued to flourish on Wednesday when Rev'd Bryn led our worship, taking us on an inspiring tour around the world. Together, we prayed for a range of different countries and our global neighbours, fostering that essential sense of connection and compassion that lies at the heart of our Christian values.

Our celebration of talent has extended across all year groups, with classes holding their talent shows this week in preparation for the grand final next Monday. The enthusiasm and variety of performances promise an unforgettable showcase of our children's diverse abilities.

The busy week ended in fine style with a Y6 Celebration Day (water fights and ice creams on a boiling hot day - what could have been better?!) and one of our termly OPAL Stay and Plays in glorious sunshine for once!

Next week, our final week of the academic year, will be just as busy – if not more so – than this has been, and then for six weeks of rest!

#### **Rocksteady Rock Groups Concert**

The musical magic continued this morning when our Rocksteady rock groups performed for the whole school. Watching these future rock stars in the making filled us all with pride and excitement for their continued musical journey. Thank you to all the parents who joined us! Look on Facebook for more photos!



#### Y6 Performance – Let the games begin!

A HUGE well done to our Y6 class for their stunning production of Let the Games Begin!

They performed in front of our children yesterday morning and again last night to a packed (and extremely hot!) hall and they were AMAZING! The singing, acting, costumes and stage awareness was excellent. The comments from parents, carers, friends and family were wonderful and I hope every single child was proud of themselves yesterday.



#### House teams for September

I am excited to be able to share news that we are introducing House Teams in September. For those of you who used to come to this school as children yourself, and for some of your older children, you will know that we have previously had house teams named after birds.

In keeping with our beautiful grounds, and to continue the link with St. Francis of Assisi and his love of nature, we are having our teams named after the four seasons. This also links with our new school song, where the chorus is: 'I've got joy in the morning, Joy in the evening, You keep me dancing, In every season'.

Children (and staff) will be assigned to their house teams during the first week back after the summer holidays, with winning teams each week receiving a trophy for a range of accomplishments such as attendance, attitude and achievement. We will of course continue to celebrate individual successes too!



## 2025/ 2026 SAVE THE DATE FOR PTA SPOOKY DISCO ~23<sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER KRISPY KREME ~24TH OCTOBER CHRISTMAS FAIR 5TH DECEMBER MOVIE NIGHT ~17<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER CHANGE TRAIL 30<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY • VALENTINES DISCO~12<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY CHOCOLATE BINGO ~26<sup>TH</sup> MARCH MESSY HAIR/BREAK THE RULES DAY 21<sup>st</sup> MAY TALENT SHOW ~30<sup>th</sup> MAY



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SATURDAY 9 AUGUST 10AM-2PM



PICK UP WHAT YOU NEED, DROP OFF WHAT YOU CAN