



St. Francis

Church of England Primary School

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

Week ending: 12.09.2025

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

Upcoming dates

Monday 15th September

3.30 – 4.00pm – Meet the Teacher for Reception, Y1, Y3, Y4 and Year 5 classes.

Tuesday 16th September

3.30 – 4.00pm – Meet the Teacher – Y6 class.

(Y2's Meet the Teacher will be at the end of September)

Thursday 18th September

Individual, family and class photographs by Tempest

Friday 19th September

A special worship with Rev'd Bryn and Archdeacon David Picken – 1.30pm - parents/carers welcome

Saturday 20th September

St Francis Church Community Fun Day – see below

Sunday 21st September

School choir to sing in church 10.45 – 12.00

I am delighted to share some exciting developments from St Francis CE Primary this week. Our enrichment opportunities have expanded with the launch of several new after-school clubs that I know will inspire and engage our children. We have introduced drama, football, gardening, and sewing clubs, providing diverse opportunities for our children to explore their interests and develop new skills. Autumn 2 Clubs are being arranged as I write, and will be shared with parents/carers very soon so they can be signed up.

In our commitment to supporting early reading, we have restructured our phonics groups in Key Stage 1. These targeted sessions, which started this week, will ensure our youngest children receive precise, tailored support in developing their reading capabilities.

Parents/carers will have noticed some new signage around school! We now have our school name in beautiful letters at the entrance to school, and there are other signs around the building to remind ourselves of our values and vision every day. There is one more sign to put up, once we have sorted out a 'silicon issue' on the front brick wall!

I am particularly proud to highlight our school choir's upcoming performance. Under Mrs Anderton's guidance this week, they will be ready to sing at St Francis Church on Sunday 21st September. The service commences at 10.45am and will last approximately one hour.

We were also privileged to be introduced to Rev'd Sara yesterday, the new church curate, by Rev'd Bryn. Both are enthusiastic about collaborating with our school community throughout this academic year, reinforcing our strong church school ethos. She was already impressed with us, noting that our faith as a church school, was clear for all to see.

Clubs – this half term

Mondays 3.30 – 4.15pm: KS2 Drama (in the hall) with Mrs. Foster

Tuesdays 3.30 – 4.15pm: Y5/Y6 Boy's Football with Mr. Turner

Wednesdays 3.30 – 4.15pm: Y1/Y2/Y3 Gardening Club with Mrs. Fielding and Mr. Sutton

Thursdays 3.30 – 4.15pm: KS2 Sewing Club with Mrs Julkowska (in Y4 classroom)

If your child has been signed up for any of these clubs, please do make sure they can go. We had a few 'no shows' last week.

Best Attendance of the week!

In our very first attendance celebration, the following percentages were announced during worship this morning:

Spring House Team - 94%
Summer House Team – 96%
Winter House Team – 98%
Autumn House Team – 99%



Well done to everyone in our Autumn house team!

Year 1 award winner and special mentions



Year 2 award winners



Year 3 award winner



Year 4 award winners



Year 5 award winners



Year 6 winners and special mention



Our new Reception class will be joining us in Celebration Worship a little later in the term.

Children's Leadership Roles

We now have our leaders in place across school. Here are some of the leadership groups; more will be shared next week!

School Council



Worship Wardens



Rocksteady Rock Groups

We do have some spaces in our Rocksteady Rock Groups at the moment. The groups rehearse together each Friday morning, and they are starting to practise for their next concert on 12th December.

If you wish to find out more information about Rocksteady look on their website: www.rocksteadymusicschool.com



Spaces in school

Although we are full in our Reception class along with some other year groups, we do have some spaces for new children in Y1 and Y2, and a couple of classes in KS2.

If you know anyone who is new to the area, or looking for a new school for their child, please do recommend us!

Looking a little further ahead

Friday 26th September: Y2 MacMillan Coffee Morning 9.30 – 10.30am

Wednesday 15th October: Open Day and Open Evening – see flyer

Monday 27th – Friday 31st October: Half-term break

Monday 3rd – Wednesday 5th November: Y6 at Robinwood

Thursday 6th November: Y5 Remembrance Day Worship 9.15am – parents/carers invited

Parent Governor needed

We are seeking a dedicated parent governor to join our school's governing board. This is an excellent opportunity for parents to contribute meaningfully to our school's strategic leadership. If you are interested in supporting St Francis CE Primary's continued development, please contact the school office before Thursday, 18th September. Should we receive multiple candidates, a democratic vote will determine our new governor.

For information regarding the role of a Parent Governor, please look on this link: governorsforschools.org.uk

Please do come on board! We are keen to welcome an enthusiastic new addition to our hard-working Governors.

Should you need any further details, please give us a ring.

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ST. FRANCIS C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

OPEN EVENTS
2026 PRIMARY ADMISSIONS

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Wednesday 15th October 2025
Afternoon session from 13:30 to 15:30
or
Evening session from 17:00 to 19:00

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PRIMARY SCHOOL
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WELCOME!**



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