



# St Francis C of E (VA) School

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**Creative**

**Inspiring**

**Active**

**Nurturing**

**Challenging**

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September

Newsletter No 3

Dear Parents and carers,



### IMPORTANT

I am sure you will have noticed our new gates and fencing, which we have been able to have installed using a funding grant. After some near misses – **please do not ever exit the car park using the in gate.** The exit gate is fully automated and will open automatically. If you need to gain access into the car park there is an intercom system in place

As part of the Intent of our curriculum provision here at St Francis, we seek to Inspire our pupils with a range of learning experiences. This week it was fantastic to welcome a Maths magician to the school, who wowed children with his range of tricks. The children were hooked from the start and the workshops allowed the children to see how maths can be used in every-day life. In every workshop that Jon ran the children went home saying how they were going to challenge members of their families. Jago and George in Y6 said "It was fun mixing magic and maths, it was a fun way to learn"

As many of you know, over the past year we have been revising our curriculum to ensure that we cover all aspects of the National Curriculum and provide children with learning that is exciting and memorable. Last week, your child should have brought home with them an overview of learning planned for the first half term which will show the overarching question the children will be exploring, as well as what is being taught in each subject. The curriculum page of our website has been updated over the last couple of weeks to reflect the aims of our curriculum and the expectations for each subject, so is a good place to find out more about how we implement the curriculum here as St Francis.

If you have any skills/talents that would support our curriculum learning in any year group, please let us know. We are always grateful for any volunteer help!

With warm wishes,

Hannah Stevens  
Headteacher

**ATTENDANCE:** Please be reminded that holidays cannot be authorised in term time. Therefore we provide term dates well in advance so that holidays can be appropriately planned. Thank you. Dates are available from our website, or there are paper copies in the school office

PLEASE NOTE

### Open Afternoon

On Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> Oct from 2pm-3pm we will be holding an open afternoon for Years 1-6. Parents/carers are welcome to come in and see what the children have been working on this term.

On Friday 1<sup>st</sup> Nov from 9:00am-11:00am we will be holding an open morning for those children starting reception in Sept 2020



### Year 4 Swimming

Children in Year 4 will be starting their swimming lessons on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Oct. Letters have been sent home with children today. The letter can be viewed from our website, or we have spare copies in the office

Important

### Starting Secondary and Primary School 2020

The closing date for Secondary applications is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019, closing date for Primary applications is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020. All applications have to be made online at [www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions)

Falmouth MAT is keen to receive any feedback you may have on the new Behaviour and Complaints policy. The policy can be viewed here

<http://www.st-francis.cornwall.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/Falmouth-MAT-Behaviour-Policy-V1.pdf>

Please e-mail [MATenquiries@falmouthMAT.org.uk](mailto:MATenquiries@falmouthMAT.org.uk) with any comments you may have by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October.

## Curriculum News!

### Week ahead from Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September

**Reception** ☺ – We are learning all about our Golden Rules.

**Year 1** ☺ – As scientists we will be exploring materials and their properties.

**Year 2** ☺ – Are looking forward to a visit from a dentist as part of our science topic this term.

**Year 3** ☺ – Will be proving that we are writers by using the story of The Magic Brush to create our own imaginative stories.

**Year 4** ☺ – As researchers in literacy we will be finding out about Bear Wolf.

**Year 5** ☺ – We are looking forward to our astronaut day on Tuesday 1st October!

**Year 6** ☺ – As historians we are looking forward to finding about Tutankhamun.

**GOLDEN RULES**



### Nasal Flu Immunisations

Kernow Health will be visiting the school on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October to carry out the Nasal Flu immunisations. Parents/carers are to give consent online by Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September. A letter with all the details has been emailed out, and is available from our website or school office. To give consent please visit [www.kernowimmunisations.co.uk/forms/flu](http://www.kernowimmunisations.co.uk/forms/flu) and our school code is EE144059.

PLEASE!  
NOTE

St Francis football teams played against St Marys Primary this week in what were both thrilling matches in tough conditions. The competitive league team drew 3-3 with Sam L scoring all three and the training league team lost 2-1, with Isaac B bagging the goal for St Francis. Well done to all the players involved.



### Upcoming Trips

Class F (Owls) only will be visiting Pizza Express in Falmouth on Fri 4<sup>th</sup> Oct. Children are to be dropped to Events Square between 9am-9:15am.

Children in Year 6 have come home with letters regarding a trip to Truro Museum & Shelter box on Weds 16<sup>th</sup>. Spare letters are available from the office.



Mrs Hambly still has some spaces in well-being club on Tuesdays 3:20-4:15. In this club we will be focusing on the five ways to well-being. These are connect, give, be active, take notice and keep learning. We will be doing lots of crafts, cooking and outdoor activities. If you think your child would enjoy this please encourage them to come to Class E

Big Congratulations to Callab A who won his class at a motocross event in Bristol.

If you have any out of school sporting achievements, please email these to [sportingsuccess@st-francis.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:sportingsuccess@st-francis.cornwall.sch.uk)



### Y3 Oyster Festival Parade

This year's Oyster Festival parade takes place on Fri 11<sup>th</sup> Oct. All children in Year 3 have been invited to take part in the parade. Consent forms are to be handed to class by Fri 4<sup>th</sup> Oct

## CONGRATULATIONS YOU HAVE KEPT THE GOLDEN RULES

**We are kind and helpful**

**We work hard**

**We are gentle**

**We are honest**

**We listen**

Evie-Jai M  
Finnley R  
Alfred T  
Luca C  
Dexter S  
Taylor M  
Violet H  
Paige T  
Thomas W  
Ethan S  
Reuben G-S  
Emily R  
William R  
Kamil S  
Molly M  
Millie W  
Seth T  
Charlie L  
Willow L  
Conan H  
Isla M  
Chloe K  
Layla P  
Isla H  
Jaiden D  
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**We look after everyone  
& everything**

On Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> & Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October there will be a menu change. Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> will have a 'Spaced Themed' menu offering Burgers or Veggie Burgers, Chips, Peas & Sweetcorn, with Shortbread & fruit for dessert. On Fri 4<sup>th</sup> the choices will be Pasta Bolognese or Chickpea Curry, Broccoli & Sweetcorn and Apple & Carrot fruit slice for dessert. Please note that there won't be the usual Fish & Chip menu on the Friday for that week



St Francis Day is on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October and to celebrate this, the children will be putting their craft and art skills to use. To help us with this, we would be grateful if each child could bring in an item of the list below to class by Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October.

- Reception – Will have crafts supplied for them
- Year 1 – Scraps of Wool/String or Ribbon
- Year 2 – **Washed** small yoghurt or jelly pots or egg cartons
- Year 3 – **Washed** straws from drinking cartons or paper straws
- Year 4 – Cardboard tubes
- Year 5 – **Washed** clear plastic bottles, or old shampoo/washing up liquid bottles
- Year 6 – Old magazines, scraps of wrapping paper.



Thank you for your support, we are looking forward to seeing lots of wonderful and colourful creations.

DATES	EVENTS
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> October	St Francis Day
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> October	Class F (Owls) Pizza Express Trip
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> October	Class L (Pandas) Parent Assembly 9:00am
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> October	Nasal Flu Immunisations
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Festival
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Class K (Koalas) Parent Assembly 9:00am
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 3 Oyster Festival Parade 2:30-4:00pm
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	Last swimming lesson for Years 5&6
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 6 Trip to Truro Museum & Shelterbox
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Class I (Penguins) Parent Assembly 9:00am
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	2:00pm Open afternoon for current parents in Years 1-6
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> -Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	HALF TERM
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October	Swimming begins for Year 4
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Reception 2020 Open Morning 9:00-11:00am
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> & Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Individual & Sibling Photos
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	Hearing screening for Year 1
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Parents Evening Week
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Break up for Christmas Holidays
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> & Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	INSET DAYS – SCHOOL CLOSED
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> December – Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2020	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2020	SPRING TERM BEGINS
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February 2020	HALF TERM
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2020	BREAK UP FOR EASTER HOLIDAYS
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2020 – Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	EASTER HOLIDAYS
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	SUMMER TERM BEGINS