



St Francis Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents

This will be the final newsletter for this academic year. It has been a very busy year and this week is no exception; the children spent time in their new classes and enjoyed taking part in activities to help familiarise them with their New Year group. Our new reception children for September 2019 enjoyed a teddy bear's picnic with our current reception pupils. Our Leavers' Mass was yesterday and I would like to congratulate them on such a lovely mass and today we shared all their successes in our awards assembly. As we say goodbye to our fantastic Year 6 we wish them all the best in their future schools, they will all be missed. I would like to thank all our parents, friends and governors for their continued hard work and support. Staff would like to say thank you for all the gifts and kind words that you have given them this year and particularly over the last days. I would also like to thank the staff and pupils of St Francis for their resilience, commitment and outstanding efforts this year. Enjoy the break and come back refreshed and ready for a fantastic 2019-20

Welcome!

Congratulations to Mrs Mitchell and her husband who welcomed baby Ella Rose on Wednesday 10th July, a little earlier than expected but mum and baby are doing well.



Don't Forget

Children in years 1 to 6 return to school on Wednesday 4th September 2019. Reception children begin school on Thursday 5th September 2019

A big "Thank You" to all our **reading volunteer helpers**, thank you for your continued dedication and support. Thank you to all those who have donated books, it is really helping to re-stock our book shelves and please keep on donating. Thank you.

To our children....Have some fun and "Join the Summer Reading Challenge"

Please encourage your child to do the Summer Reading Challenge.

Space Chase

Prepare for lift off as we travel across the galaxy on a very special reading mission

It's the **Summer Reading Challenge 2019!**

The Summer Reading Challenge takes place every year during the summer holidays. You can sign up at your local library, then read six library books of your choice to complete the Challenge. There are exclusive rewards to collect along the way, and it's FREE to take part!

The Summer Reading Challenge website helps you keep track of your reading all year round: find [new books to read](#), take part in [competitions](#) and [mini challenges](#), and play [games](#).

Staff Changes

It is with sadness that we say goodbye to a number of members of staff at the end of term. Some have been with us a long time and some only joined us recently but all have left special memories.

- We wish Mrs Hawkes every success at her new school.
- We wish Mrs Wilkes well in her retirement and we look forward to her visits to the school next year.
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God we pray:

May you who leave this place:

Take with you every blessing you have received here:

Blessings of friendship

Blessings of memories

Blessings of knowledge

And may you who leave here today to begin a new journey, leave us your blessing; your uniqueness, the mark you leave on this place that is only you.

Amen

We welcome Mrs Neill to St Francis as a new class teacher and Mrs Barnard who is joining the early years team while Mrs Mitchell is on maternity leave. We also welcome back Mrs Edwards who returned from maternity leave earlier this month.

May you all be refreshed this summer, teachers, pupils, support staff, and parents,

*So when term begins again,
You may all meet new challenges, new places,
new people,
with a bright and cheerful heart.*

*So we pray that all may grow and learn to live
with Love.*

*May God bless you all this day and through all
the days to come. Amen.*

Medical Office Notice

All inhalers should go home with your children today. Please check all inhalers are in date before returning them to school in September. Any other medicines will need to be collected from Reception today.

Have a fantastic summer break!

