St Francis Catholic Primary School Morley



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Weekly News

Headteacher's Welcome

Our week commenced with our official Ofsted report being published. I am so proud of our School and it is a real honour to lead our wonderful School.

It was an overwhelmingly positive report and I wish to thank you all for taking the time to congratulate staff of the report. As you know, such a lot of hard work takes place behind the scenes to ensure your children have the highest quality of education and your support means so much to us.



There are a number of sporting events taking place over the term and this week our KS1 children were invited to a Pantathlon! Well done children for representing our school wonderfully! It is a busy term of PTA events for your children, more updates can be found within this weeks newsletter.

Our children who are making their First Holy Communion have also commenced their preparation sessions this week - please keep them in your prayers. Our Summer term newsletters and the key dates for your Summer term diary will be coming home next week.

A couple of reminders for next week: class photos will be taking place on Monday, please ensure your child is in their school uniform and not PE kits. Children in St George's house team can wear red on Tuesday and we welcome our rainbows, brownies, cubs, guides & scouts to come to school in their brigade uniform also.

I hope you enjoy the St George's day celebrations in Morley this weekend. See you on Monday! Mrs Gibbons

KS2 Irish Cultural day

As part of our music curriculum we have organised enhanced days for our children, you may recall that Eys & KS1 had a stories from around the world day in February and this week KS2 took part in an Irish cultural day. Children learnt transitional Irish songs, dances and played instruments. Thank you to Artforms for providing such exciting opportunities for our children!

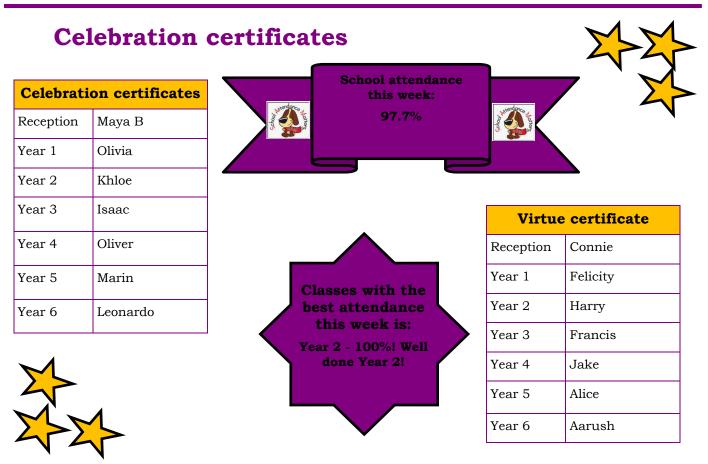






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PTA - bring gift donation	22nd April
Class photos day - School uniform	22nd April
Road safety ses- sions	22nd— 26th April
Y1 local History walk	22nd April
PTA: Summer Fayre any dona- tions of 'gifts'	22nd April
St Georges day - house team wear	23rd April
Netball tourna- ment	24th April
Gardening club assembly, 9:10am	24th April
KS1 3v3 football festival	25th April
Celebration assem- bly - 3pm, all wel- come	26th April
Holy Communion classes (In Y4 or	26th or 27th



PTA updates...

We have officially launched the penny war in school! Children can add their coins to the jars before or afterschool, at breaktime or lunchtime! Year 1 are currently in the lead at the moment and year 5 are chasing them in second place! Don't forget the silver coins can be added to another class it will reduce that classes total!

Every couple of weeks in the build up to the return of our Summer Fayre, there will be a donation plea for items such as chocolate, bottles, toys and so on. Any donations are greatly appreciated and can be placed into the boxes at class doors or in the main office. Here are the key dates:

22nd April - Donations of gifts

6th May - Donations of bottles

20th May - Donations of toys

3rd June - Donations of chocolate bars

17th June - Donations of cakes

Our next PTA meeting will be on 1st May, 6:10pm in School. The meeting will focus on all things 'summer fayre', we hope that you can join us!



Monday 15th April to Friday 3rd May

Early Years



In Nursery, we have enjoyed sharing our Easter holiday experiences with our friends. This week we have discussed Spring and explored different activities around the seasonal change. Some of us have enjoyed finding our names in the writing area and tracing over them!





In Recep-

tion we have begun our new RE unit by spotting signs of 'new life' in our outdoor area. We have also enjoyed hunting for and describing 3D shapes in our Maths learning!

Key Stage 1

This week in Year 1 we read our new text 'The Day The Crayons Quit and worked in groups to create freeze frame to show how the different crayons felt. We then continued our work on feelings in PSHE by thinking about how all have different feelings about certain things e.g spiders, the dark ...



This week in Year 2, we have been busy identifying the half in a range of shapes. We have also been organizing a Victorian timeline in our first History lesson of the term.

Academic Calendar 2023-24

School	Monday 6th
closed - May	May
End of half	Friday 24th
term	May
Start of	Monday 3rd
Summer 2	June
End of Aca-	Friday 19th
demic year	July
Inset days—	22nd & 23rd
School closed	July
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Academic	: Calendar 4-25
Academic	Calendar 4-25 Monday 2nd
Academic	Calendar
2024	4-25
Inset day -	Monday 2nd
Academic	Calendar
2024	4-25
Inset day -	Monday 2nd
School closed	September
Start of	<i>Tuesday 3rd</i>

Safeguarding

If you ever feel any child is at risk, please contact our Child Protection team:

Mrs Gibbons Headteacher / SENDCO

Miss Grayston Assistant Headteacher

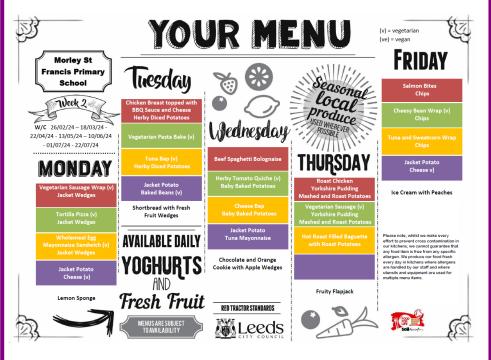
Mrs Harrison HLTA / Learning mentor

> Mrs Walker Chair of Governors

Or ring Duty and Advice on: 0113376 0336

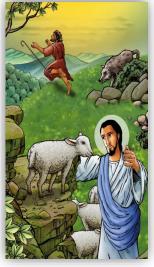
School dinner menu - Summer Term

Dinner menus are based on a 3-week cycle. Next week's menu (week 2) is listed below. If your child is in Nursery dinner costs $\pounds 2.20$ per day or if they are in Key Stage 2 (Years 3-6) dinners cost $\pounds 2.50$ per day.



4th Sunday of Easter

This Sunday is traditionally known as 'Good Shepherd Sunday'. Jesus is the 'Good Shepherd' who can be trusted to guide our lives in the right direction. Part of a shepherd's job is to look after the sheep, to guide them and help them to stay safe. In the Gospel below, Jesus encourages his disciples to put their trust in him; it is through trusting in Jesus that they will find security and hope. There can be many things that trouble our hearts, but following and trusting in Jesus leads us on life's right and joyful path, freeing us from fears and worries. Enjoy a special time, hearing your child's thoughts about this Sunday's Gospel and this Week's word, which is TRUST.



Saturday evening Mass time: 6:30pm Sunday Mass times 10am Weekday mass times: Monday 9am,

Tuesday - Friday 10am

"Put your trust in Jesus. He will fill your plans with meaning and joy. Open your hearts trustfully to Jesus!" St. Pope John Paul II