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Dear Parents,

This week's Statement to Live By is:

I try to be just and fair

Reception Class Admissions 2017

If you know of anyone considering St Francis Catholic Primary School for their child, they are warmly invited to contact us to arrange an opportunity to look around our happy school at work.

The Governors will admit 30 children aged 4+, in September 2017.

Please contact school to arrange a visit.

Building Work

The roofing work on the hall has started today - Monday 17th October.

Parents Evening

Just to remind you that parents evening will take place on Wednesday **19th October**, you should receive your appointment time by today from the class teachers. The playground will be opened up for parking but you must enter the hall via the main entrance. Each appointment is for five minutes, a bell will be rung at five minute intervals, denoting your time with your child's teacher is finished. It is important that all parents receive equal amounts of time with their child's teacher. We hope this will help Open Evening to run smoothly and ensure that parents do not have to wait for long periods of time for their appointments.

Non-Uniform Day

Your child can come to school in non-uniform **on Friday 21st** for the voluntary contribution of £1. This will be donated to the NSPCC, who have delivered Stay Safe campaign Assemblies in Reception and Key stage 1 and Key stage 2 last week. Further workshops for year 5 and 6 will be delivered in school on Thursday.

Monies Owed

Could you please ensure that any overdue payments for lunch, school club etc. are **paid by Thursday 20th October. Thank you.**

School Council Appeal

The School Council are running an appeal for wet playtime resources, if you can donate any jig-saws or games in good condition they will be gratefully received and allocated by our school council to replenish our wet playtime resources in class. The children are also using some of the school council juice and biscuits money to buy new games and books for classes during wet playtimes.

















The school council will be having a juice and biscuit sale on Friday 21st at first break time, juice and biscuits cost 50p. Thank you

Harvest Contributions

A big thank you to Year 2 for leading our Harvest Assembly and to the teachers who prepared the Assembly.

St. George's Crypt Harvest boxes, there was an overwhelming response to our request for dried foods for the St. George's crypt. Thank you, as always for your kindness in supporting this charity.

Christmas Cards

Firstly I would like to thank parents for taking part in the Christmas card project. The company are experiencing problems with the on line ordering on their website. They are hopeful it will be up and running very shortly and have extended order date to ensure all parents that wish to take part, have the opportunity to do so. If have handed in your art work and have not paid online, then please arrange to send your cash payment into school in a clearly marked envelope with your child's class and child's name and I will arrange your order as soon as possible, or you can make a note of your unique reference number and order on line when it is up and running.

Please accept my apologies for any inconvenience caused, it is beyond my control, I am doing all I can to rectify this. Thank you Lara Berry.



Wednesday 19th October	Year 2 School Trip to Armley Mills
Wednesday 19th October	The Big Sing year 5 attending at Mount ST. Mary's
	Open Evening
Friday 21st October	Non-uniform day (£1 contribution for NSPCC)
	School & Nursery closes for half term
Tuesday 1st November	School & Nursery Opens

Praise Assembly

Praise Assembly on Friday – as always, all parents are welcome.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs R. Harrison

Headteacher



Who are Friends of Morley St Francis PTA?



You are!

Friends of Morley St Francis PTA is the Parent Teacher Association and you're a member from the moment your children start school. We run an annual calendar of PTA events, including the Christmas and Summer Fairs, which many enthusiastic parents and teachers get involved by simply offering their time, skills or talents with the aim of raising funds for our fantastic school (and most importantly have fun doing it).

Our PTA is a partnership involving parents and teachers and is a good forum for communication between parents and the school.

What do you do with all the money?

Funds raised are used to enrich our children's education – providing valuable equipment, books and materials as well as enhancing the building and facilities of the school and contributing to the annual Christmas celebrations. Did you know, we've already funded:

- 1. Prayer garden and classroom prayer corners
- 2. In-school theatre production
- 3. Classroom furniture, carpets, Outdoor play equipment
- 4. Classroom and hallway info-graphics

What are you raising funds for next?

We've loads of fun ideas such as paying for the next in-school theatre production and some which are a bit more practical – this year we are focussing on raising funds to update all the reference books in the school library (these are rather out of date).

Ok, you've persuaded me - how do I get involved?

Join over 100 other parents keeping in touch via our Facebook Group 'Friends of St. Francis Catholic School Morley – PTA Group'

Email us: FOMSF@outlook.com

Lots of parents help in different ways, and that doesn't mean having to come along to a regular meeting. We are always grateful for any help you can give, no matter how small; do you have a special talent or skill for example? We are always on the lookout for local businesses which might be willing to sponsor one of our events or make a donation. Our regular meetings are open for anyone to pop along to – we always have fun pulling the events together and you will usually find us drinking coffee in the DT Room or a local coffee shop. Check the school newsletter or notice board for dates and location.

The small (but important) print no one ever reads.....

FOMSA is an association with a constitution which all committee members agree to abide by. We hold a general meeting each year to elect committee members and keep auditable accounts for each financial year.