

St Francis Catholic Primary School Morley



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2024

Spring Term 1, week 3
Virtue: Faith

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Weekly News

Headteacher's Welcome

We have had a very sporting week this week with children from across Key Stage 2 representing our School in numerous events from indoor Athletics (where we came 3rd) to an ice skating festival. Well done children for showcasing your brilliant team work and resilience whilst undertaking new challenges!

We are very excited to be offering yet more exciting clubs which are running across the term - a huge thank you to all staff who continue to volunteer their time to offer the range of opportunities.

I will be resending the calendar of dates for Spring term as there have been many updates with regards to PTA fundraising events.

Next week Year 6 will be venturing off to Herd Farm for their residential. A letter with FAQs and final updates has been emailed to parents, please let us know if this has not made it to your mailbox.

As part of the work our School Council have been doing with your children, a request for a School 'pet' has been planned and we can finally welcome our School nurture dog 'Neville' to the St Francis family. He will visit school periodically (starting next week) and work with your children. If your child has any allergies please let the school office know so that we can plan accordingly.



Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

See you on Monday!
Mrs Gibbons

Nursery places available

We have only a couple places available in our school nursery. If your child will be three in 2023 or 2024 make sure you have filled out an application form to reserve a place for your child. Application forms are available from the school office. We offer 30-hour places as well as 15-hour part-time places. Nursery children can also have access to our Before and After School club provision (7:45am - 6pm).



KS2 Battle of the houses!



Thank you to Mrs Pearson for organising our 'New Year' battle that took place this week:

St Patrick beat St David St Andrew beat St George

Top scorers: Patrick - Joseph Foley David - Saron Henok
Andrew - Nathan Birhane George - Lucas Muhl

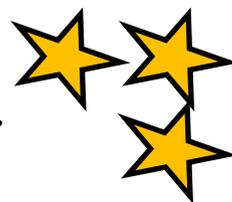
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Dates for your diary:

National story telling week	29th Jan—2nd Feb
Year 4 Morley Library Visit	29th Jan
Y5/6 Badminton festival	30th Jan
Year 6 Morley Library Visit	31st Jan
Y6 Residential—follow us on X for updates during	31-2nd Feb
STEM lego sessions Y1, Y2, Y5	5th Feb
Online Safety day	6th Feb
Youth summit: Cluster council @ Town hall	7th Feb

Celebration certificates



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Reception	Elliott
Year 1	Alexander
Year 2	Sean
Year 3	Emily
Year 4	Agnes
Year 5	Joseph
Year 6	Joe

School attendance this week:
96%



Classes with the best attendance this week is:
Year 2

Virtue certificate

Reception	Leah
Year 1	Oran
Year 2	Arthur
Year 3	Oriana
Year 4	Niamh
Year 5	Finn J
Year 6	Lucas B

PTA update

We have lots of exciting events planned for the rest of the academic year, keep checking the PTA Facebook page and the newsletter for updates!

We love planning exciting events to enrich your child's experiences and memories of School!

All monies raised goes back into funding resources for your children.

ST FRANCIS VS JUMP INC. LEEDS

WE ARE HEADING BACK FOR ANOTHER TAKEOVER! LETS GET JUMPING!

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!
FRIDAY 23RD FEBRUARY
TICKETS £7 VIA PARENTS2TEACHER APP

6PM - 7PM JUMPING TIME
WE HAVE EXCLUSIVE USE OF THE PARK!
VENUE OPEN FOR FOOD & DRINK BEFORE: CHECK IN FROM 5.30PM

Join your friends, classmates, siblings (and parents if they want!)
Don't miss out, tickets are limited and we hope to see you there!
Consent form returned and adult supervision on the night are essential!

Lower Key Stage 2

This week in Year 3, we have enjoyed continuing our Science learning focus on soil. We discussed, planned and started the class experiment on different soil types.



In Year 4, we have had an exciting week learning column multiplication in Maths, practicing our gymnastics moves in PE, learning the recorder with Mrs O'Leary, and designing our light up greetings cards in DT!

Upper Key Stage 2



In Year 5, we have been learning about the scientist Henry Faulds who first used fingerprints to prove a person was innocent of a crime. We looked at our own fingerprints before trying to use fingerprints to solve mystery.



In Year 6, we have enjoyed our class sessions in the library. We were excited to find the new comics and magazines.

Academic Calendar 2023-24

Inset day - Friday 5th
School closed January

Start of Spring 1 half Mon 8th Jan 2024

End of half term Friday 9th February

Start of Spring 2 half Monday 19th February

End of term Thursday 28th March

Start of Summer 1 half term Monday 15th April

School closed - May bank holiday Monday 6th May

End of half term Friday 24th May

Start of Summer 2 Monday 3rd June

School dinner menu - Autumn Term

Dinner menus are based on a 3-week cycle. Next week's menu (week 1) is listed below. If your child is in Nursery dinner costs £2.20 per day or if they are in Key Stage 2 (Years 3-6) dinners cost £2.50 per day.

YOUR MENU

(v) = vegetarian
(ve) = vegan

Morley St Francis

Week 1

W/C - 04/09/23, 25/09/23, 16/10/23, 13/11/23, 04/12/23, 08/01/24, 29/01/24

MONDAY

- Chicken Curry with Rice
- Vegetarian Grill with Jacket Wedges (ve)
- Tuna Mayo/masala filled Wrap with Jacket Wedges
- Jacket Potato with Cheese (v)
- Chocolate and Orange Cookie

Tuesday

- Beef Cottage Pie
- Super Five Vegetable Pasta Bake with Crusty Bread (v)
- Cheese Bap with Pasta Salad (v)
- Jacket Potato with Tuna
- Vanilla Ice Cream with Fresh Fruit Salad

AVAILABLE DAILY

YOGHURTS AND Fresh Fruit

RED TRACTOR STANDARDS

Leeds CITY COUNCIL

MENUS ARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY

Wednesday

- Tortilla Pizza with Jacket Wedges (v)
- Vegetarian Spaghetti Bolognese (ve)
- Ham Sandwich with Jacket Wedges
- Jacket Potato with Baked Beans (v)
- Lemon Sponge with Custard

THURSDAY

- Roast Gammon with Yorkshire Pudding, Mashed and Roast Potatoes
- Vegetarian Sausage with Yorkshire Pudding, Mashed and Roast Potatoes (v)
- Hot Roast filled Bap with Roast Potatoes
- Cheese and Crackers with Apple Wedges

FRIDAY

- Fish Fingers with Chips
- Omelette served with Chips (v)
- Wholemeal Tuna Sandwich with Chips
- Jacket Potato with Cheese (v)
- Shortbread Finger with Fresh Fruit Wedges

Please note, while we make every effort to prevent cross contamination in our kitchens, we cannot guarantee that any food item is free from any specific allergens. We produce our food, fresh every day in kitchens where allergens are handled by our staff and where utensils and equipment are used for multiple menu items.

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

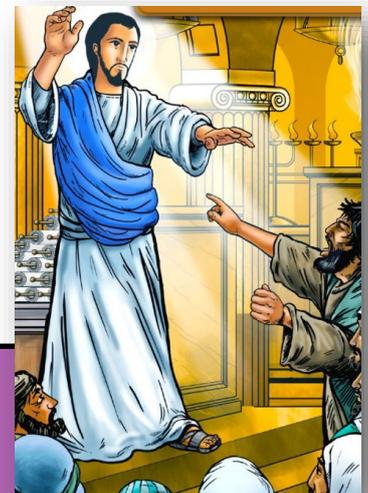
Mrs Walker
Chair of Governors

Or ring Duty and Advice on: 0113376 0336

4th Sunday of Ordinary Time

It's important to have good teachers. Parents are the first and foremost educators of their own children – other family members and friends can also teach about what really matters in life. But who can really teach us about the best way to live? Jesus stood out as a teacher because he taught with authority and power. In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus demonstrates this through the amazing healing of the man in the synagogue. Jesus' teachings expose the things that weaken us – setting free all those who listen to him. The whole of Jesus' life was a continual teaching. His teaching is calm and wise, powerful but gentle, and enriches family life. Just follow the simple steps overleaf to enjoy hearing your child's thoughts about this Sunday's Gospel and this Week's word, which is **TEACHER**.

"Let us thank all those who teach in Catholic schools. Educating is an act of love; it is like giving life."
Pope Francis



Saturday evening Mass time: 6:30pm

Sunday Mass times 10am

Weekday mass times: Monday 9am, Tuesday - Friday 10am