

St Francis Catholic Primary School Morley



Friday 8th March
2024

Spring Term 2 week 4
Virtue: Forgiveness

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Weekly News

Headteacher's Welcome

March has started with a wonderful week focused around reading in celebration of world book day (more information on page 2). Thank you to our PTA volunteers who organised a brilliant Sponsored bounce for Early Years and Key Stage 1.

We also welcomed many parents to our Maths workshop and Early Years families to a Mothers day themed Stay and Play. It is so lovely to have some many members of our School community in school working with our children. Our Years 4-6 children also participated in an active journey in faith workshop led by Cllr Dalton. As well as two girls sporting competitions this week; for football skills, where our KS2 girls celebrated and championed International Woman's day.



Thank you to Year 5 for leading the Lenten fundraising this week. Next week we have our non-uniform and fasting day on Friday- more information coming home on Monday.

Next week is just as exciting with Year 1 leading school in a Mother's day liturgy at 9:10am on Monday and Mrs. Fedzin has been very busy organising several special surprises for our children, to mark National Science week. If you have any spare kitchen roll tubes or 1.5L empty plastic bottles, please drop them into the school office.

Keep an eye out for St Patrick's day information coming home on Monday.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Happy Mother's Day.

See you on Monday!
Mrs Gibbons



Parent workshop reminder!

We have a series of Parent curriculum events this half term. In the sessions, we are inviting parents to come and support your child whilst they learn. We are hoping this will help our parents to see the strategies that we use in teaching your children as well as crafting celebrations too! We hope you can join us...

Friday 15th March - Writing (8:50-9:30am)

Friday 22nd March - Easter crafts across school (8:50-10:30am)

*Sessions are for all classes- parents are welcome to attend from all years groups.

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Dates for your diary:

Ducks arriving in school - Y1 11th March

Y1 Mother's Day liturgy, 9:10am 11th March

National Science week in School 11-15th March

Parent Writing workshop - 8:50-9:25am 15th March

Lenten fast day in school - soup dinner 15th March

Celebration assembly, 3pm- all welcome 15th March

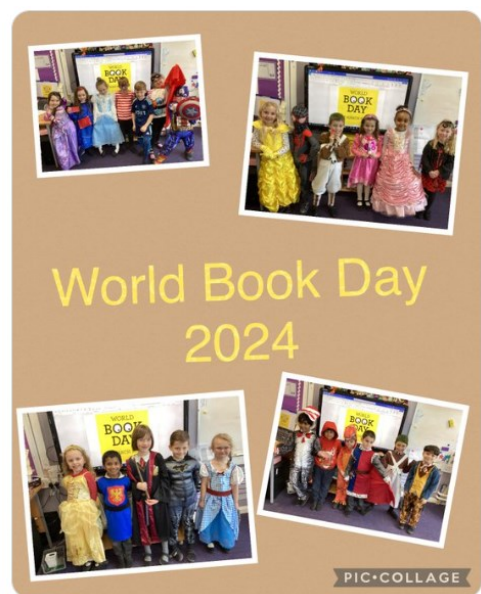
Reconciliation class 15/16th March

St Patrick's Day Parade 17th March

Parents evening 19/20th March

Y6 Lenten fundraising 18th March

World book day



We had a busy week full of reading for pleasure! We completed our book swaps, meet the authors and a whole range of reading activities! What brilliant costumes we had across school...such a outstanding effort! Well done everyone.



Early Years



In Nursery, we have enjoyed exploring our provision activities this week as they linked with books we have read previously! Some of us created a 'Stick Friend' and some of us enjoyed creating our own feelings monster!



In our Maths learning this week, Reception have been exploring numbers to 10. We have been representing numbers in different ways. We had to decide if the dominoes showed '9' or 'more than' or 'fewer than'. In RE, we have been acting out the story of Zacchaeus. Make sure you ask us all about it!

Key Stage 1



This week in Year 2, we have been doing lots of math work on how to sort equal groups and the different ways we can find the total. For our science lessons we have planted some seeds in our soil pots, and we hope to see them germinate in a week or so. We had lots of fun on World Book Day! We created our own reader identities and read about Beatrix Potter!

Dates for your diary this half term...

11th – 15th March – Science & Design Technology (STEM) week & Y1 Ducks arriving

Monday 11th March – Mothers' day liturgy led by Y1, 9:10am, parents & grandparents welcome

Thursday 14th March – Author visit to School

Friday 15th March – Parents writing workshop, 9:10am (come and learn with your child)

Monday 18th March – Lenten fundraising: Guess the number of sweets in the jar led by Y6

Tuesday 19th March – Parents Evening 3:40-6pm, in the school hall

Wednesday 20th March – Parents Evening 3:40-6pm, in the school hall

Thursday 21st March – Inclusion coffee morning, all welcome

Friday 22nd March – 9-10:30am: Stay and Play (Easter theme) across School

Saturday 23rd March – Sacrament of Reconciliation, 10:30am

Monday 25th March – Holy Week

- Lenten fundraising: Chocolate hamper led by Y3/4
- Palm Sunday liturgy led by Y2, 9:10am, parents welcome

Tuesday 26th March – Year 3/4 Easter production, 9:30am & 2pm, parents welcome*

Thursday 28th March – Last Supper service led by Y6, 9:10am, parents welcome

Stations of the Cross led by Y5 to the school

- School closes for end of Spring Term

Friday 29th March – Good Friday - Bank Holiday (School closed)

***** Easter holiday: Friday 29th March – Friday 12th April 2024 *****

*More information regarding Easter production to follow, regarding ticket entry.

Monday 15th April – School opens for Summer term

Inclusion coffee morning

On Thursday 21st March we have our next inclusion coffee morning from 9-10am. We will be joined by the local authority SEND navigators. Their role in the city is to answer questions relating to SEND support or help guide and support families. This could be from out of school activities for your child to anxieties you would like to talk about. Why not come along to meet the team.



LEEDS ST PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Can you spare half an hour on Thursdays?

Bring your child to Y6 classroom to help Mrs Gibbons & Mrs Greene decorate all things St Patrick!

Mrs Greene has been working hard to get St Francis a float in this years St Patricks day parade.

Save the date to come and join our School float:

Sunday 17^h March 2024, 10:30am, Millenium square.



GROUNDWORK
LEARNING CENTRE



FAMILY LEARNING AT ST FRANCIS RC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Play games together, learn how to support your child's development and build their confidence.

Open to Years 2 to 5, for children, parents/carers and grandparents.

> **Tuesdays, 27th February to 26th March 2024**
14:00 - 15:30 for adults
15:30 - 16:30 with your children
Free

**BOOK YOUR PLACE
WITH THE LINK SCHOOL PROVIDES**

skills@groundwork.org.uk

07730 765 564



Academic Calendar 2023-24

Start of Spring 2 half Monday 19th February

End of term Thursday 28th March

Start of Summer 1 Monday 15th April

School closed - May bank holiday Monday 6th May

End of half term Friday 24th May

Start of Summer 2 half term Monday 3rd June

End of Academic year Friday 19th July

Inset days— School closed 22nd & 23rd July

School dinner menu - Spring 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

Morley St Francis Primary School

Week 1

W/C 19/02/24 - 11/03/24 - 15/04/24 - 06/05/24 - 03/06/24 - 24/06/24 - 15/07/24

MONDAY

- Margherita Pizza (v) Jacket Wedges
- Veggieballs in Tomato Sauce (v) Jacket Wedges
- Tuna Mayonnaise Wrap Jacket Wedges
- Jacket Potato Baked Beans (v)
- Ice Cream with Strawberry Sauce

Tuesday

- Savoury Minced Beef Mashed Potatoes
- Vegetarian Sausage Roll (v) Jacket Wedges
- Cheese Bap (v) Jacket Wedges
- Jacket Potato Tuna Mayonnaise
- Carrot Cake with Fresh Fruit Wedges

Wednesday

- Chicken Curry with Rice
- Super Five Vegetable Pasta Bake (v)
- Wholemeal Egg Mayonnaise Sandwich (v) Jacket Wedges
- Jacket Potato Tuna Mayonnaise
- Rainbow Shortbread with Fresh Fruit Wedges

Thursday

- Roast Gammon Yorkshire Pudding Mashed and Roast Potatoes
- Vegetarian Sausage (v) Yorkshire Pudding Mashed and Roast Potatoes
- Hot Roast filled Baguette with Roast Potatoes
- Chocolate Sponge

FRIDAY

- Battered Fish with Chips
- Veggie Nugget Wrap (ve) Chips
- Wholemeal Cheese Sandwich (v) Chips
- Jacket Potato served with Cheesy Coleslaw (v)
- Custard Cream Cupcake

AVAILABLE DAILY

YOGHURTS AND Fresh Fruit

RED TRACTOR STANDARDS

Leeds CITY COUNCIL

Menus are subject to availability

(v) = vegetarian (ve) = vegan

Please note, whilst we make every effort to prevent cross contamination in our kitchens, we cannot guarantee that any food item is free from any specific allergen. 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

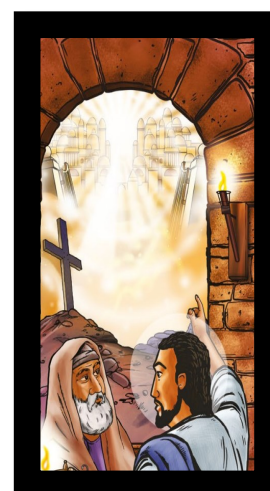
Or ring Duty and Advice on: 0113376 0336

4th Sunday of Lent

In this Sunday's Gospel, we read about the 'light' that has come into the world. Pope Francis reminds us, "Jesus is the light who brightens the darkness." Letting Jesus' light shine in our lives provides a secure foundation for our lives and for the lives of our children too. This Gospel also reminds us that God loves us so much that he gave his only Son for us. Jesus' great act of love,

of self-giving, on the cross, has paved the way for us to share in the true richness of God's love in this life, and also in the life to come. See overleaf to enjoy a very special time together this evening, exploring this Sunday's Gospel and this Week's word, which is **SELF-GIVING**.

"Jesus leads us to go out from ourselves more and more, to give ourselves and to serve others."



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