

# St Francis Catholic Primary School Morley



Friday 15th March  
2024

Spring Term 2 week 4  
Virtue: Forgiveness

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## Weekly News

### Headteacher's Welcome

Our week started with a beautiful liturgy led by Year 1. Well done children, you did so well! A special thank you to Mrs Nicolson for singing and creating a touching Mother's day liturgy.

Huge thank you to you all for supporting our Lenten fundraising so far. Our Friday non-uniform and fasting was so powerful to see so many families supporting our fundraising. The Cafod family fast has long been an aspect of Lent, where we have a moment to reflect on the 40 days of fasting Jesus undertook in the final days of his life. It is also a time where we can discuss with our children the global reasons for why we fast and the significance of such actions when thinking of those who have very little around the world. Well done children for partaking and I must say they enjoyed their nutritional soup on a cooler and very wet Friday!

Next weekend our children who have been preparing for their first reconciliation will make their first Confession. Please keep them in your prayers over the coming week.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Happy St Patrick's Day for Sunday! If your child is in St Patrick's house team, don't forget to wear green on Monday.

Mrs Gibbons

### Afterschool club pick up

If your child attends afterschool club on Tuesday or Wednesday, next week pick up will be from the bottom Nursery gate (not the school office), this is due to parents evening.

### 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.

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### Dates for your diary:

Y6 Lenten fundraising 18th March

Parents evening 19/20th March

Inclusion coffee morning 21st March

Whole School-Easter crafts 9-10:30am 22nd March

Art visit to Leeds Art Gallery 22nd March

Y1 Little Sing trip 22nd March

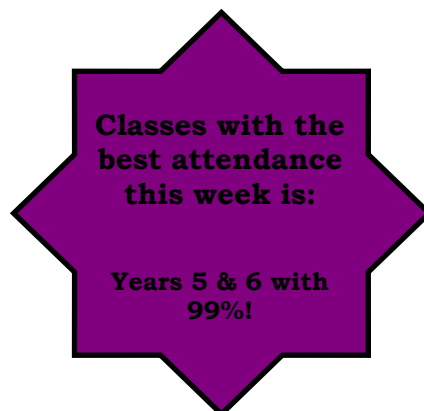
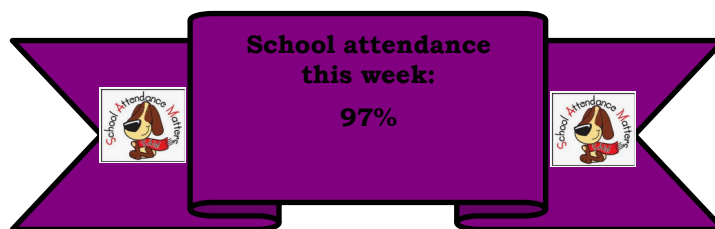
Parents Celebration assembly - 3pm, all welcome 22nd March

10am Reconciliation Sacrament 23rd March

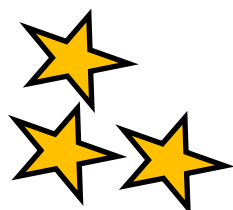
## Celebration certificates



Celebration certificates	
Reception	Maya M
Year 1	Ellie-May
Year 2	Henry
Year 3	Whole Class
Year 4	Alhanna
Year 5	Vihaan B & Lul
Year 6	Adaora



Virtue certificate	
Reception	Rosie
Year 1	Devansh
Year 2	Emily
Year 3	Hunter
Year 4	Lucas M
Year 5	Zack
Year 6	Snigdha

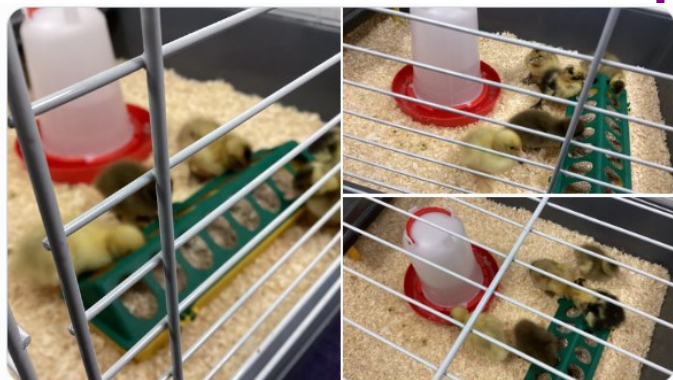


Headteachers award
Pedro - Year 4

## Y1 welcomes some new class members!

Year 1 have been the perfect role models for demonstrating the virtue of love, kindness and service this week as they have welcomed 5 very cute and fluffy ducklings to the Year 1 family! The children have been caring for them by washing them and linking their real life experiences to their Science learning about animals.

Next week our ducklings will visit Key Stage two before moving to their new home on the farm.



## Dates for your diary ...

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March – Lenten fundraising: Guess the number of sweets in the jar led by [Y6](#)

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

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

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March – Inclusion coffee morning, all welcome

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

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March – Sacrament of Reconciliation, 10:30am

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March – Holy Week

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

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

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> 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 29<sup>th</sup> March – Good Friday - Bank Holiday (School closed)

\*\*\*\*\* Easter holiday: Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2024 \*\*\*\*\*

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

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April – School opens for Summer [term](#)

## Lower Key Stage 2

In Year 3, we have had such a busy week with Science including amazing workshops and a live zoom lesson on animals and fossils. We also had time to work on our cricket and fitness skills.



This week in Year 4, we used an energy stick to make a human circuit, in Science. We tested what would happen if one person let go and then joined hands again, and discussed why this happens.

## Upper Key Stage 2

In Year 5, we have been working hard to improve our passing and catching skills during our netball lessons. Well done Year 5!



In Year 6, we have carried out a fair test to determine the effects of increasing the voltage on the brightness of a bulb.

## Thank you Jenny York...

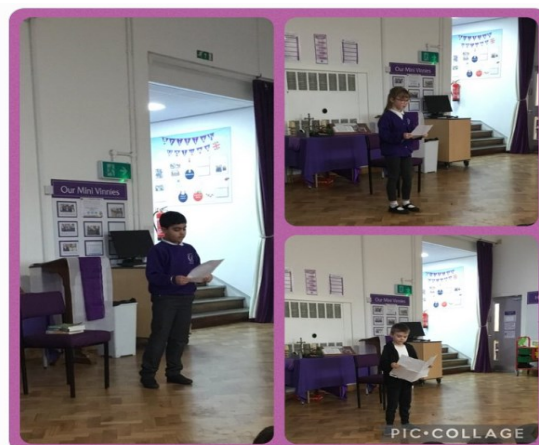


We welcomed Jenny to our School on Thursday to share her love of writing books for children. She was so blown away by our wonderful school and couldn't believe what a strong reading culture we have ... she said she has not seen anything like it in any of the schools she has visited! Thank you to all our families who support Mrs York by purchasing her book...hope your children enjoy the book!

Congratulations to our new reading ambassadors! You delivered such confident presentations about your love of reading! Valentine will now be representing our school in the Leeds reading ambassador competition.

## STEM week with a bang!

What a brilliant week of Science! Huge thank you to Mrs Fedzin for all her hard work and organisation and to all our visitors who volunteered their time so generously! The children had presentations from sublime science, Northumbria water, local engineers and electricians.



## 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 2) 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 2*

WJC 26/02/24 - 18/03/24 - 22/04/24 - 13/05/24 - 10/06/24 - 01/07/24 - 22/07/24

**MONDAY**

- Vegetarian Sausage Wrap (v) Jacket Wedges
- Tortilla Pizza (v) Jacket Wedges
- Wholemeal Egg Mayonnaise Sandwich (v) Jacket Wedges
- Jacket Potato Cheese (v)

Lemon Sponge

**Tuesday**

- Chicken Breast topped with BBQ Sauce and Cheese Herby Diced Potatoes
- Vegetarian Pasta Bake (v)
- Tuna Bap (v) Herby Diced Potatoes
- Jacket Potato Baked Beans (v)
- Shortbread with Fresh Fruit Wedges

**AVAILABLE DAILY**

**YOGHURTS AND Fresh Fruit**

RED TRACTOR STANDARDS

Leeds

**Wednesday**

- Beef Spaghetti Bolognese
- Herby Tomato Quiche (v) Baby Baked Potatoes
- Cheese Bap Baby Baked Potatoes
- Jacket Potato Tuna Mayonnaise
- Chocolate and Orange Cookie with Apple Wedges

**THURSDAY**

- Roast Chicken Yorkshire Pudding Mashed and Roast Potatoes
- Vegetarian Sausage (v) Yorkshire Pudding Mashed and Roast Potatoes
- Hot Roast Filled Baguette with Roast Potatoes
- Fruity Flapjack

**FRIDAY**

- Salmon Bites Chips
- Cheesy Bean Wrap (v) Chips
- Tuna and Sweetcorn Wrap Chips
- Jacket Potato Cheese (v)
- Ice Cream with Peaches

(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 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

**Miss Grayston**  
Assistant Headteacher

**Miss Dobson**  
Year 3 Class teacher / SENDCO

**Mrs Harrison**  
HLTA / Learning mentor

**Mrs Walker**  
Chair of Governors

**Or ring Duty and Advice on: 0113376 0336**

## 5th Week of Lent

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus uses the image of the grain of wheat, which dies to produce a rich crop, to show us that his death was necessary if many were to receive eternal life. Through this Gospel Jesus is also encouraging his disciples to follow him – to give him first place in their lives. This message is for each one of us too. Jesus wants us to make following him our most important priority. Choosing to follow Jesus is not always easy; it demands commitment. But it helps our families to keep growing in love and leads us to happiness in this life, and in the life to come. Enjoy a very special time together hearing your child's thoughts about this Sunday's Gospel and this week's word, which is **FOLLOW**.

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



*“Let us ask for the grace to follow Jesus faithfully, not in words but in deeds.” Pope Francis*