

# St Francis of Assisi Catholic Primary School



*Learning and growing together in God's love*

**Headteacher: Felicity Hope**  
**WEEKLY WHAT'S ON**

**Issue 8 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024**

## Reception

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November 1.30 pm Firemen visit

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> Nov Mrs Costa the Dentist  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2pm Dr Smith (Finn's dad) will be visiting us

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November –7pm School Quiz and Chips**

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November Mrs Hariett Limmer - the Doctor (Margot's Mum) 1.45 pm

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2pm Gurvinder Tatra (Harrison's dad) the optometrist to visit

**Nativity 2 dates – choose one**

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 1.30 pm

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 9.30 pm

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Puppet Theatre  
Sleeping Beauty Show at School £2 to pay on WisePay

Mystery Reader Week 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> March  
Trip to Heigham Park 12<sup>th</sup> June

## Year 1

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November –7pm School Quiz and Chips**

Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> November 2pm Parents London Workshop

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October Year 1 Liturgy tbc

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Puppet Theatre  
Sleeping Beauty Show at School £2 to pay on WisePay

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February Gressenhall Trip (provisional date)

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2pm Parents' Sewing Workshop

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May Year Group Assembly 2.30 pm

## Year 2

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November –7pm School Quiz and Chips**

Weds 27<sup>th</sup> November - Parents in for clay minibeast workshop 2pm

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Puppet Theatre  
Sleeping Beauty Show at School £2 to pay on

## Year 3

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November Cross Country Competition Years 3-6 10.30 to 2m Earlham Park**

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November –7pm School Quiz and Chips**

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November 3.30 to 5pm Year3-4 Mixed Development League

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December – Parents in class for Viking learning 1.45 pm to 3pm

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December Trip to the Circus at the Hippodrome

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Puppet Theatre Sleeping Beauty Show at School £2 to pay on WisePay**

March/April Parents invited into watch Class Circus Show

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May – Parents in Class for Reading lesson

## Year 4

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November Cross Country Competition Years 3-6 10.30 to 2m Earlham Park**

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2024 Level 1 Pedal Power

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November –7pm School Quiz and Chips**

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November 3.30 to 5pm Year3-4 Mixed Development League

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December 3.30 to 5pm Year3-4 Mixed Development League

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Puppet Theatre Sleeping Beauty Show at School £2 to pay on WisePay

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November - Moroccan Day

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May Year Group Assembly 2.30 pm

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2.15 to 3pm Reading Café for Parents

June visit to Mosque

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June Trip to The Forum

## Year 5

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November Cross Country Competition Years 3-6 10.30 to 2pm Earlham Park**

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November Mixed Football Development League Year 5/6 3.30 to 5 pm

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2.15 -3pm Parent Workshop

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November Falcon Junior Cross Country

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November –7pm School Quiz and Chips**

13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> November Pedal Power Level 2

25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> November Pedal Power Level 2

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December Mixed Football Development League Year 5/6 3.30 to 5pm

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December Eaton Park Cross Country

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Puppet Theatre  
Sleeping Beauty Show at School £2 to pay on WisePay

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January Taverham Cross Country

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February Horsford Cross Country

28<sup>th</sup> February 2025 Theatre Royal Horrible Histories – Terrible Tudors

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March Football Mixed League The Nest

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March Old Catton Cross Country

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2.15 -3pm Parent Workshop

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June Football Mixed League

The Nest

## Year 6

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November Cross Country Competition Years 3-6 10.30 to 2m Earlham Park**

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November Mixed Football Development League Year 5/6 3.30 to 5pm

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2.15pm - 3pm  
Year 6 Parent Workshop

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November Falcon Junior Cross Country

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November –7pm School Quiz and Chips**

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November  
Residential trip to Ullswater

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December Mixed Football Development League Year 5/6 3.30 to 5.30 pm

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December Eaton Park Cross Country

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Puppet Theatre  
Sleeping Beauty Show at School £2 to pay on WisePay

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January – Taverham Cross Country

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February Horsford Cross Country

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2.15pm - 3pm Year 6 Parent Workshop

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March Football Mixed League The Nest

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March Old Catton Cross Country

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June Football Mixed League The Nest

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 6 - 7.30 pm New Y7  
Parents Evening

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July 8.45 am - 3.00 pm Y7

## ALL

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November Open Morning 9.15 to 11 am for New Intake Reception September 25

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November – School Quiz and Chips

Flu Vaccination Programme Mon 18 Nov and Mon 09 Dec  
29<sup>th</sup> November NON UNIFORM PJ Day

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December Advent Mass 2pm

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December Christmas School Fayre 3.30 to 5 pm

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December Reconciliation

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Puppet Theatre Sleeping Beauty Show at School £2 to pay on WisePay

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December Choir Carol Singing outside Jarrolds 12 to 1pm

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December 9.30 am Rocksteady Concert

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Choir performing outside The Forum at 1.30 pm

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January RETURN TO SCHOOL AND Epiphany Mass 2pm

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January

Choir at Young Voices 02

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February KS2 Mass at SJB Cathedral 10 am

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February Valentines Discos – more info later

March Choir perform at Norfolk County Music Festival – The King Centre.

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March World Book Day – dress up as a loved book character

14<sup>th</sup> March Class Photographs

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 9.30 am Rocksteady Concert

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April Lent Mass 2pm

1<sup>st</sup> May 2025 Joseph and the Technicolour Dreamcoat KS2

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June Pentecost Mass 2pm

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2025 : Field Events UEA 3 to 6 pm

Tue 24<sup>th</sup> Jun 2025: track heats (1:00pm-5:30pm) - please do not arrive before 1:00pm

.Wed 25<sup>th</sup> Jun 2025: track finals (1:30pm-5:30pm) - please do not arrive before 1:30pm.

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June Sports Day

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 9.30 am Rocksteady Concert

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2025 The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe Theatre Royal (Years 4,5 and 6) (WisePAY £22)

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July School Discos

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July and Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 6.30 pm Year 6 Production

## CELEBRATION NAMES



**1L Amelia** for spotting patterns in Maths during our work on number bonds to 5.

**1PL Joel** for choosing to write three pages of writing all about London!

**2H Viviana and Elin** for making beautiful moving monsters in DT by listening carefully to instructions.

**2B: Angelina** - Angelina worked superbly hard to sequence, rehearse and retell the opening of the Anansi Story.

**3MDLucas** - for his continuous hard work and for setting a great example. Well done!

**Ines** - for her great effort, attention and participation in Maths. Thank you for all of your great ideas

**3D Toby and Nora** for both creating careful and beautiful pictures inspired by The Canticle of Creation which was written by St Francis of Assisi.

**4HD: Chito** is a star this week for working very hard on a paragraph in her non-chronological report. She showed resilience, determination and due to this, she produced a detailed and well-structured paragraph about her Antarctic animal. Great work Chito!

**Maya** is a star this week as she independently wrote her own prayer after being inspired by three prayers we had listened to or watched in our RE lesson. Her prayer showed thoughtfulness, kindness and was a lovely prayer to listen to. Thank you Maya!

**4D Amaya** for taking great care over the presentation of her non-chronological report

**Michalina:** for focusing during independent writing and creating an interesting non-chronological report.

**5J Ray** for her hard work, focus, resilience, but most of all, her kindness

**5J Isla** for such excellent focus and for being a determined and hard worker

**5J Niya** for her excellent focus in maths even when the problems are challenging

**5W Elora** for her fantastic attitude towards all her learning

**5W Deimantas** for his excellent concentration and efforts in all subjects this week

**6B George** - has shown improved writing with his persuasive speech and excellent editing skills. Keep up the good work!

**6B Mateusz** - has been recognised for showing excellent teamwork and supporting others when working in a group situation, especially in PE.

**6SW Olivia** - for beautiful ideas and writing in English - well done!

**6SW Joshua** - has produced some wonderful writing in English, with excellent word choices.



## After School Tennis Club

National Tennis Association have been delivering tennis coaching in schools in Norfolk since 2004. The after school sessions are a great introduction to the game and many of the county's most successful players started in our after school clubs.

In after school club sessions pupils will develop footwork, coordination, ball and racket skills working through a structured curriculum.

### St Francis Tennis Club Details

Thursdays- 6 weeks (7 Nov - 12 Dec)

Year 1-3

3:25 - 4:10pm

Cost - £33

### How to Enrol?

For more information and booking please click or visit the below link.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

These sessions fill up very quickly therefore it is important to book your place quickly, we operate a first come, first serve basis.

Once you have booked on our website you will receive a confirmation of your place.

If you have any questions regarding the tennis club please contact us:

email: [schools@nationaltennis.org.uk](mailto:schools@nationaltennis.org.uk) tel: 0330 551 9496

## Learning this week

**Year 1** has been learning about the part of 5 and all of the different number bonds we can make. We have also written about London landmarks, inspired by the story Katie in London. We have had a wonderful first half term!

**Year 2** has loved inventing and creating art in response to the Anansi stories we have immersed ourselves in over the past fortnight. We created illustrations inspired by the Kente Cloth and moving monsters of one of the villains, Falcon or Fish.

**Year 3** In RE, Year 3 has been paying particular attention to St Francis' Canticles. We have created our own beautiful images in Art, using oil pastels. We have also written our own prayers of thanks for the wonders of Creation. We will be using the prayers in our daily worship.

**Year 4** It was so lovely to welcome parents into the Year 4 classrooms on Tuesday morning to take part in our Times Tables Cafe. The classrooms were buzzing as games were being played, songs and raps were being sung and interactive activities were played on the iPads. We hope we gave parents lots of ideas of how to learn times tables at home. Thank you for joining us - we look forward to seeing you next term at our Fluency for Reading cafe.

**Year 5** has been completing their Whitwell persuasive leaflets (English, Art and Topic!) and the quality of these has been very impressive. In Maths, we have been exploring the most efficient methods to solve multi-step problems. In RE we have been learning the ways that the Cardinal Virtues help us to follow Jesus.

**Year 6** This week, Year 6 has worked hard on completing their persuasive speeches to encourage the reader to help save their chosen endangered animal. On Wednesday afternoon, the children met their reception buddies — everyone had a lot of fun. They can't wait to see their buddies again!

## MOBILE PHONES

**We don't believe any child needs to come to school with a mobile phone so please do not allow your child to bring phones into school, especially Smart phones.  
Thank you**

### After School Club

**If a booking is made for After School Club but a decision is made by the family to pick up instead, please call the school so that Julia does not waste time looking for the missing pupils. Thank you.**

## Poppy Appeal

Poppies will be on sale from Monday after half term so children may buy one item for £1 or more during their break or lunch times.



### FOOD BANK and SUGAR COLLECTION

We would welcome more provisions for our food bank after half term. We are also collecting sugar for Buckingham Emergency Food Appeal so please do bring any bags into school for collection in the next two weeks after half term.

### NORWICH PUPPET THEATRE SHOW

The wonderful Puppet Theatre are bringing their Sleeping Beauty show to our school on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December. **The cost is £2.** Can parents please pay **this on Wisepay for their children by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November** as unfortunately if we do not get all monies in we will have to cancel.

The school will pay for all children who are eligible for Pupil Premium



## EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS FOR AUTUMN 2

Please note the different lunch time clubs on offer from Mr Bingham and Mr Curtis.

Mad Science will commence again after the Christmas holidays.

Clubs at St Francis - Autumn 2 2024

Club	Who can attend?	Day	Start Time	Finish Time	Cost	
Breakfast	Miss Emily Palmer	Anyone who has paid	Every day	7.40am	8.50pm	£5 all £3 half hour
After School	Mrs Julia McClarnon	Anyone who has paid	Every day	3.30pm	6.00pm	£3 until 4pm, £5 until 4.30 pm £10 to 6pm
Library	Mr Brackenbury	All years	Monday	12.30pm	1.15pm	Free
Sewing Club	Mrs Adamski and Mrs Furness	Year 4 and 5 (8 children)	Monday	12.30pm	1.15 pm	Free
Gardening Club	Mrs Raworth	Years 4,5,6 (8 only)	Monday	3.30 pm	4.30 pm	£30 (10 weeks)
Premier Sports Football	Premier Sports	Year 2 to Year 6	Monday	3.25pm	4.25pm	(pay via Premier)
Rosary Club	Mrs Plane	Years 3,4,5 and 6	Tuesday	12.30pm	1.00 pm	Free
Library Open - Games Café	Mrs Kelsey	All children	Tuesday	12.30 pm	1.15 pm	Free
Creative Writing x 10 weeks	Mr Nicholson	Years 4,5,and 6 (8 only)	Tuesday	3.30 pm	4.30 pm	£30
Premier Sports Dodgeball	Premier Sports	Years 2 to 6	Tuesday	3.25 pm	4.25 pm	(pay via Premier)
Art Club	Mrs Juli Mobbs	Years 1, 2 and 3	Tuesday	3.30 pm	4.30 pm	(pay via Julie Mobbs)
Cricket	Mr Curtis	Years 5 and 6	Tuesday	12.30 pm	1.00 pm	Free
Cricket	Mr Bingham	Years 3 and 4 HALL	Tuesday	12.30pm	1.00pm	Free
Premier Sports Gymnastics	Premier Sports	Year 2 to Year 6	Wednesday (1.3.23)	3.30 pm	4.25 pm	(pay via Premier)
Dodgeball	Mr Curtis and Mr Bingham	Years 3 and 4	Wednesday	12.30 pm	1.00 pm	Free
Primary Class Design Engineering Competition	Mrs Holden (Notre Dame)	Year 5 and 6 (max 15 children)	Wednesday	3.30 pm	4.30 pm	15 inform office
School Council	Mrs Hinings	Class Representatives	Every other Wednesday	12.35 pm	1.15 pm	Free
Junior Chaplaincy	Mrs Hope	2 children from each class	Every other Wednesday	12.30 pm	1.00 pm	Free
Parent Support Worker	Mrs Rowena Cove	By appointment	Wednesday	9:00 AM	4.00 pm	Free
Badminton	Mr Bingham and Mr Curtis	Year 5 and 6 HALL	Thursday	12.30 pm	1.00 pm	Free
Cafod Club	Mrs Savage	Year 5 and 6	Thursday	12.30pm	1.00 pm	Free
Tennis Club	National Tennis Assoc	Years 1-3	Thursday	3.25 pm	4.10 pm	(pay via Tennis Association)
Art Club	Miss Juli Mobbs	Years 4,5 and 6	Thursday	3.30pm	4.30 pm	(pay via Julie Mobbs)
Library Open After School for parents and children	Mrs Claire Furness	All children and parents	Thursday	3.30pm	4.00 pm	Free
Choir	Mrs Furness	Years 3,4,5 and 6	Thursday	8.15 am	8.50 am	Free
Premier Sports Multi-Sports	Premier Sports	Yers 2-6	Friday	3.25pm	4.25pm	(payment via Premier)
Running Club - Eaton Park	Mr Bingham and Mr Curtis	Years 5 and 6	Friday	12.30 pm	1.10 pm	Free

## HALF TERM ACTIVITY SUGGESTIONS



The poster for the Medieval Festival features a vibrant green and red dragon with a small figure riding on its back. A large blue banner with white stars and the text 'Medieval Festival' is held by a brown fox. The background is yellow with stylized sunbursts. Logos for Norwich Cathedral, Norwich Castle, and the Heritage Fund are visible.

NORWICH CATHEDRAL

Norwich Castle

Heritage Fund

**Sat 2 November**  
**10am–3pm**  
Norwich Castle Green  
and  
Norwich Cathedral  
Upper Green

**FREE**  
to attend!

### What to expect

Immerse yourself in the sights and sounds of Norwich in the Middle Ages at our free Medieval Festival.

Norwich Castle and Norwich Cathedral have teamed up to host this free special event, celebrating the history and heritage of medieval England's second city. Experience the lives of Normans and Saxons through two living history camps and enjoy hands-on crafts, costumed characters, combat skills, weaponry displays, and more.

### Strangers' Hall - Sounds Fun

**Wednesday 30 October and Sunday 3 November**  
**2024, 10.30am - 3.30pm**

Some sounds never change. Sounds Fun puts your listening skills to the test. Can you take on the

challenge recreating the sounds of Strangers' Hall's past through the games played within its walls over the centuries.

[More info](#)

### Norwich Castle - Medieval Adventure

**Saturday 26 October - Saturday 2 November, 10am - 3pm**

We're celebrating all things medieval this October half-term at Norwich Castle. Join our Knight Club and practise medieval fighting techniques. Help prepare a feast fit for a king, get a sticker by finding the lost mice on our medieval trail and unleash your creativity decorating your own castle Keep, before immersing yourself in life in the dark ages at Medieval Festival. See website for available activities each day.