St Francis Catholic Primary School Morley



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Weekly News

Headteacher's Welcome

We had a couple of visitors in school this week, one of which came to have a look at our History curriculum . She was extremely impressed with our challenging curriculum and the depth of the learning taking place across school. Our children demonstrated their fantastic understanding of Historical concepts. Well done children!

On Wednesday we had our PTA meeting which was a very productive, where we mapped out events for the rest of the academic year, keep an eye out for key updates coming out shortly.

If you haven't already done so, don't forget to follow our school on X (formally known as twitter) to have a peak at the amazing learning that takes place each week. Our school tag is: @STFCPS

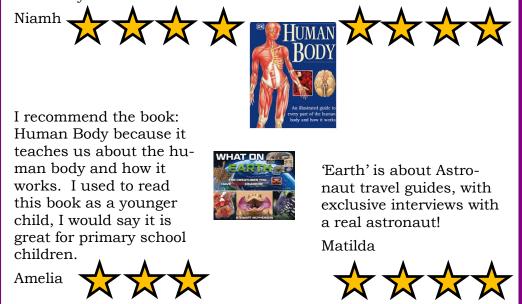
Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

See you on Monday! Mrs Gibbons

Message from our Reading ambassadors

Non-fiction recommended reads...

'What on Earth?' This is a book about plants. I recommend this to help with scientific things. If you like plants this is a book for you! 'Lights & Lazers' tells you lots of key facts about light, which is nice if you like science or learning interesting facts. I learnt that light travels in straight lines! Finn J



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Dates for your diary:

Y1 Banquet - dress	23rd
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Year 6 SATs par- ent meeting - 3:30pm in Y6	24th Jan
Y2 Fire & rescue team visit to School	24th Jan
Y1 phonics ses-	25th
sion: 3:30pm in Y1	Jan
Ice skating festi-	26th
val / trip	Jan
Year 4 Morley Li-	29th
brary Visit	Jan
Year 6 Morley Li-	31st
brary Visit	Jan
Y6 Residential— follow us on X for updates during our visit	31-2nd Feb

Celebration certificates		
Reception	Connie	
Year 1	Scarlett	
Year 2	Hendrix	
Year 3	Francis	
Year 4	Valentine	
Year 5	Finn B	
Year 6	Lucas RS	



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Governor certificate of excellence		
Nursery	Noah M & Safa	
Reception	Rosie & Amos	
Year 1	James & Sophia	
Year 2	Amen & Caterina	
Year 3	Rafe & Natalia	
Year 4	Saron & Nathan	
Year 5	Nick & Annabel	
Year 6	Yegpr & Snigdha	



Classes with the best attendance this week is: Year 2—100% Brilliant—well done Y2!

Virtue certificate		
Reception	Shantelle	
Year 1	Alaya	
Year 2	Khloe	
Year 3	Joseph Fe	
Year 4	William	
Year 5	Tristan	
Year 6	Harrison	

Thank you!

A huge thank you to you all for your contributions during PTA fundraising events, that has enabled us to subscribe to 5 different comics, educational magazines or children's newspapers! The ideas have come from your children and the monthly subscriptions are found in our School library. Our Librarians opened the first editions of these on Wednesday to the whole school!



Early Years



In Nursery this week, we have enjoyed our provision activities all about birds! We rolled the play dough into a ball to create our own birds! Some of us enjoyed making bird feeders too, we spoke about how it is important to feed and take care of the different birds in our world.



In Reception this week, we wrapped up warm and went on a Winter walk! We had to use our senses and we recorded the things we could see and hear. We did a fantastic job of spotting the signs of Winter!

Key Stage 1

This week in Year 2 in our history lesson we have been learning about The Great Fire of London and why the fire burnt for so long. This week in maths, we have been learning about money. We have been learning how to make different amounts of money and how there are different ways we can make the same amount.





This week in Year 1 we have learnt all about the history of castles and ordered them in chronological order. We also loved our music lesson with Mrs O'Leary!



Do you have any spare milk & drink bottle lids and any cardboard (e.g. amazon packaging)? Year 5 are collecting these as part of the DT learning on pulley mechanisms. Please drop any donations into your child's class over the coming couple of weeks. Thank you for your help!

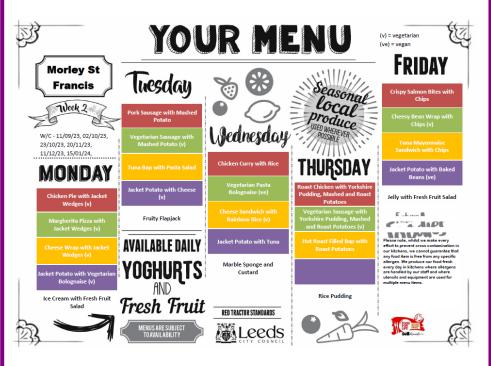
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Academic Calendar 2023-24

Inset day - School closed	
Start of Spring 1 half	Mon 8th Jan 2024
End of half term	Friday 9th February
Start of Spring 2 half term	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 - 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 $\pounds 2.20$ per day or if they are in Key Stage 2 (Years 3-6) dinners cost $\pounds 2.50$ per day.



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

3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

In this Sunday's Gospel, we hear about Jesus starting to gather together the first Christian community. Christian communities (just like families) are never perfect – even Jesus' closest disciples weren't always the ideal set of people. However, everyone works better with others in community. Our schools and parish communities were founded to be places of love, friendship, security and inclusiveness. People in the past answered Jesus' call to form our Catholic school communities which now welcome and support us and our children. Now it's our turn to continue the work, to build on and develop the warm and loving community of our school – together. Enjoy a very special time together, hearing your child's thoughts about this Sunday's Gospel and this week's word, which is COMMUNITY.

"The family is a community of love where each of us learns to relate to others and to the world around us." Pope Francis

Saturday evening Mass time: 6:30pm

Sunday Mass times 10am

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

