



ST FRANCIS NEWSLETTER

Friday 27th September

Dear parents/carers,

I am sorry that I could not be there for the MacMillan Coffee Morning and I hope that the event was a great success. Well done to the Y6s for their planning and preparation and thank you to each and every one of you who contributed. It is always lovely to see the community come together for this event.

Have a relaxing weekend,

Mrs Brown

Calendar

Our calendar on our website has the major term events added. Please do use this to help you to plan ahead for future terms. We will be adding to this as events come up.

<https://st-francis.leics.sch.uk/parents/calendar/?r34icsym=202412>

The Term Ahead

Week Beginning	
30th Sept	2nd-Weds-Y5/6 Leadership training (pm) 4th- Friday- 9.15am Mass for the Feast of St Francis and Harvest
7th October	10th-Thursday- World Mental Health Day- activities in school Open Morning 9.30-11.30 for new parents 11th-Friday- Celebration Liturgy @2.45pm
14th October	14th- Monday- PTA AGM 6PM- venue TBC 15th-Tuesday- Y5/6 Girls' Football 15th- Tuesday & 16th- Wednesday- Parents' Evenings 17th Open Morning 9.30-11.30 for new parents 18th- Friday- No celebration liturgy Y3/4 Skateboarding (pm)



Catholic Life and Mission- Eco Team

Team Update!



This term, the Eco Team have been busy working in the school playground. We have dismantled the old rotten planters at the bottom of the playground to get ready for our new vegetable and bee friendly flower planters. It was really hard work and we got expert at using hammers and crowbars. When we had removed the wood, we found out that the soil was so hard and compacted that we had to use spades, lump hammers and lots of muscle power to break it down. We saved all of the bulbs we unearthed to recycle and replant next year!



When it stops raining, we will install and fill the new planters so that we can grow winter vegetables and green manure.



Catholic Life and Mission



Last week, it was too wet to go outside, so we collected and tested all of the batteries from our Big Battery Hunt boxes and tested them using our new classroom recycling containers. These have a special battery tester on top so that we can check if the batteries are really flat. We found 36 out of the 116 batteries that still had enough useable charge and took them to Mrs Culley in the office so that they can be used again.

Battery recycling Advent Term 1 wc.23/9/24



Total batteries	119
Batteries with charge	36
Dead batteries	83

Please only recycle dead batteries. You can use your classroom battery box tester to check the charge.
3 orange lights or more - keep and reuse the batteries.
Red lights or 2 orange lights - put battery in the recycle box.





STAR READER

Mrs Freckingham	Clara
Mrs Byrne / Mrs Priestley	Easton
Mr Morgan	Ivy
Miss Hall	Joseph
Mr Sim / Mrs McNeil	Isabelle
Mrs Cathcart	Oakley
Mr Uttley	Janah



MISSION AWARD

Mrs Freckingham	Violet
Mrs Byrne / Mrs Priestley	Isabella
Mr Morgan	Delilah
Miss Hall	Sonny
Mr Sim / Mrs McNeil	Christopher
Mrs Cathcart	Pola
Mr Uttley	Vinh



LUNCH AND READING CLUB



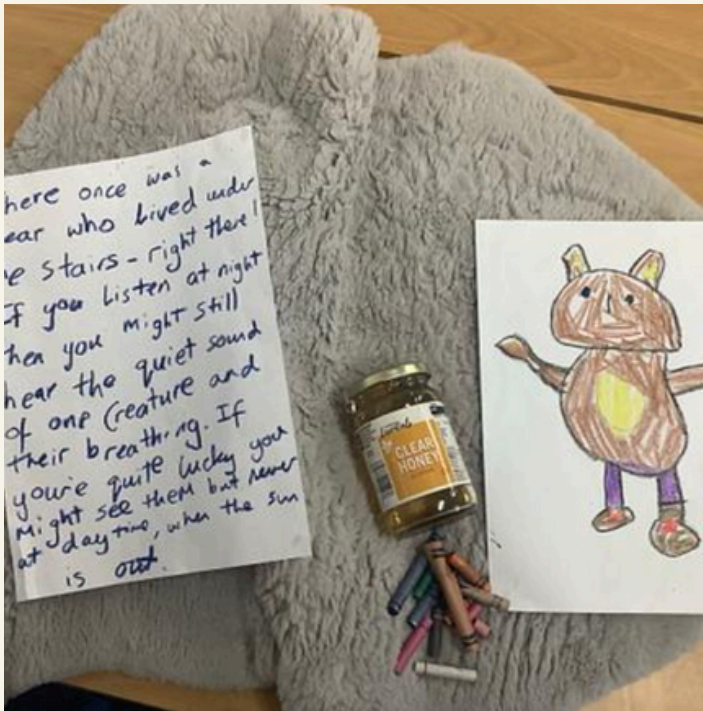
Jayden	Reading Club
Arthur Lily Jean Tione Sarjanah Arthur Liam	Lunchtime

Learning in pictures



EYFS HAVE BEEN LEARNING ABOUT AUTUMN AND EXPLORING THE SCHOOL GROUNDS .

YEAR 5 HAVE STARTED TO LEARN TO PLAY THE CLARINET!



YEAR 2 CAME TO CLASS TO FIND SOME INTERESTING ITEMS! LETS HOPE THEY GOT TO THE BOTTOM OF THE MYSTERY AND HAD FUN IN THEIR LEARNING.

We came into our classroom this week and found some interesting items.

A drawing, a letter and some honey.

Who or what could have left such strange things?

Community News



Don't forget to share your child's achievements outside of school. We love to hear about clubs, activities, special trips.



A proud Arthur was awarded managers player of the match last Sunday. Well done!

Notices From the School Office

Parents' Evenings

Our Parents' Evenings are now approaching and from 3:30pm today you will be able to book a time slot with your child's teacher.

They are on Tuesday 15th and Wednesday 16th October from 5:00pm to 6:00pm and will take place in classrooms. Please arrive for your appointment via our main reception.

We have sent everyone a link to the booking system via email and of course if you have any difficulty in booking a slot please call the office as we are more than happy to guide you through the process or book you a slot manually.

School Office Team

Naming School Clothing + Belongings

Our children often misplace a piece of clothing and we love to return their misplaced items to them.

However, to do this their clothing and belongings must to be named.

So, please try to name everything your child brings to school and then we can happily reunite them with their lost and misplaced items.

Our Found Property box is already looking very sad with lots of unnamed items it it that we just cannot return to their owners.

Let's keep our Found Property Box happy and empty by naming clothing and belongings.

Fruit at Breaktime

Our children love to have a piece of fruit at breaktimes.

The School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme (SFVS) provides a free piece of fruit or veg to every 4-6 year-old child - in KS1 (EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2).

When our children from KS1 move into KS2 (Year 3 onwards) they often miss having this fruit offer at breaktimes.

Please feel free to send your child in with a piece of fruit to eat at breaktimes.



School Photos

Please remember to place your school photograph orders before Thursday 3rd October.

Please use the QR code on the proof for quick access to the portal for ordering.

School Office

School PTA AGM - Save the Date

The PTA AGM will be held on Monday 14th October 2024 at 6pm - venue to be confirmed.

Come along to learn more about the PTA, how it serves the school and how you can help.

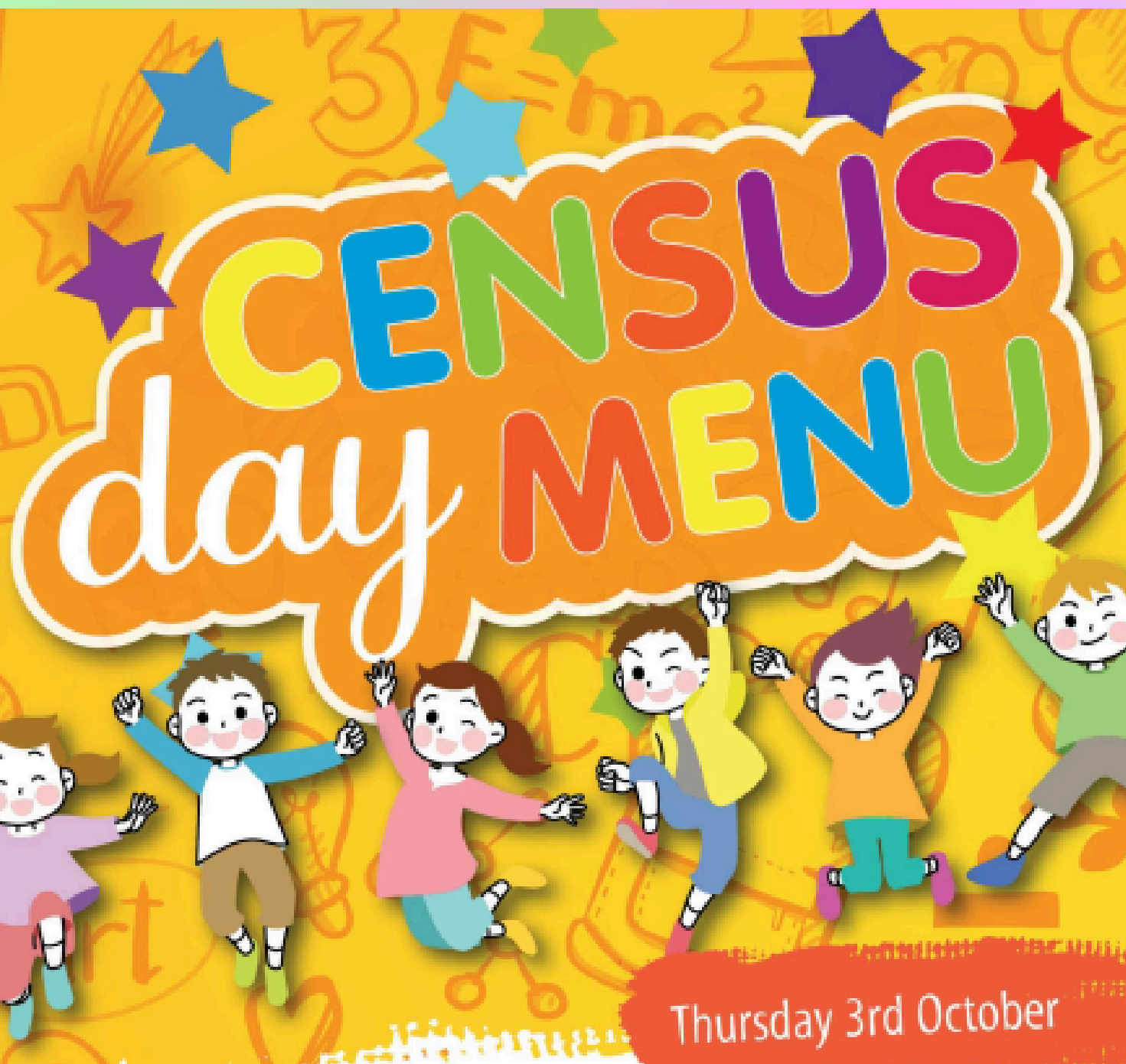
The AGM will include an annual review and the election of officers plus upcoming events, ideas and fundraising.

We are actively looking for new members and this is a great opportunity to get involved. Nominations for the key roles are also welcomed in advance or at the meeting.

Everyone is welcome.

Please contact the PTA team on stfrancisschoolpta@outlook.com if you have any questions.

PTA Team



Thursday 3rd October

Main Course

Chicken Nuggets & Tomato Ketchup

Quorn Dippers & Tomato Ketchup

(V, VG)

**Served with Chips and Baked Beans
&
Mixed Salad**

Dessert

Vanilla Cup Cake

Shortbread Biscuit

(V, VG)

**Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt
available**



**PRIMARY SPORTS
EDUCATION**

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OCTOBER HOLIDAY CLUB

Old Dalby C Of E Primary School LE14 3JY

OCTOBER 23RD - 25TH



9AM - 3PM

Children Aged 4-11

£16 PER DAY

£42 3 DAYS

Football - Dodgeball - Gymnastics - Basketball
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