



Newsletter

28th November 2024

COMING UP

Mon 2nd Dec		Sky Dance Club
Tues 3rd Dec		Multi Sports KS1 & 3 - Club Crochet Club
Wed 4th Dec	School Disco	
Thurs 5th Dec	Advent Mass at 9.15am	Christmas Crafting Club
Fri 6th Dec	Menphys Rehearsal Menphys Carol Concert (PM)	

NOTICES

Due to safety and because of risk of loses, children must not wear jewellery of any sort into school (with the exception of plain, single stud earrings).

Attendance

Please be aware that we cannot authorise any term time holidays. Our full attendance policy is on our website.

<https://st-francis.leics.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/12/2024/10/Attendance-Policy-FMM-2024-25.pdf>

Dear families,

I am pleased to share that Mr Sim and Mrs Byrne will both be in the role of Senior Assistant Headteacher and Mrs Cefai will remain with us as Assistant Headteacher until the end of the academic year. We extend our thanks to Mrs Priestley who leaves us this week after her time covering Mrs Byrne's maternity leave and we also extend thanks to Mrs Greening who has done an incredible job of covering for Mr Uttley.

We will let you know what the staffing in Y4 and Y1 looks like after Christmas once we have finalised our plan but hope to keep things as consistent as possible.

Have a lovely weekend,
Mrs Brown



CERTIFICATES



Congratulations to all the children who have received awards this week

Mission	Writer	Lunchtime/Reading
Grace Garner	Grace Gilbert	Eli
Master	Oliver H	Rafferty
Aryan	Ida	Maja
Rudy	Filip	William N
Elizabeth	Christopher	
Orla	Amelia	
Lia	Mahi	

DATES

A reminder of the key dates leading up to Christmas!

- Monday 8th Dec- Flu Vaccinations
- Tuesday 10th Dec- EYFS Nativity- 2pm
- Wednesday 11th Dec- KS1 Nativity- 2pm
- Thursday 12th Dec- Carols by Candlelight @4pm at Baptist Church
- Friday 13th Dec- KS1 Cinema Trip
- Tuesday 17th Dec- KS2 Cinema Trip
- Wednesday 18th Dec- Christmas Dinner Day & Christmas dress up
- Friday 20th December- Christmas Jumper Day and last day of term

THEME FOR NEXT WEEK

VIRTUE

Hope
Faith

AN IDEA FOR A FAMILY REFLECTION FOR
THE START OF ADVENT.

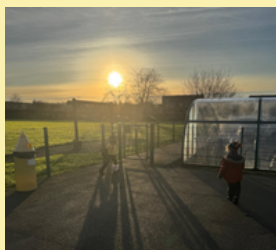
AS WE WAIT IN HOPE THIS ADVENT FOR THE COMING OF CHRIST,
SPEND SOME TIME EACH DAY AS A FAMILY REFLECTING ON
WHAT GIVES YOU HOPE AS WELL AS WHAT YOUR HOPES ARE FOR
THE WORLD.

WRITE EACH HOPEFUL THING ON SEPARATE STRIPS OF COLOURED
PAPER. STICK THESE ALL TOGETHER TO MAKE A PAPER CHAIN
WHICH YOU CAN USE TO DECORATE YOUR HOME AT CHRISTMAS
TIME. THIS CAN BE A REMINDER THAT JESUS' BIRTH BRINGS US
NEW HOPE.



Parish of St John the Baptist
Keep up to date with the Parish news [here](#).

LEARNING IN PICTURES



There has been lots of Design and Technology work in school this week, a focus on Advent in RE and great outdoor learning in EYFS.

VISITING THE SILVER CIRCLE- PARISH LINK



Our Menphys choir visited the Silver Circle, a group of our parishioners, to sing some carols. The Silver Circle had already written to me to say how much they enjoyed this last year and the feedback was excellent this year too!

PARENT GOVERNOR

We currently have a vacancy for parent governors and I warmly invite you to consider this position. No special qualifications are needed and the most important thing is to have a keen interest in the school and be prepared to play an active part in the Local Governing Body's work. Training is available and it may be possible to attend some meetings remotely to fit around your existing schedule. Please contact me in school for an informal chat about this key roles.



FAMILY PRAYER

LIGHT THE FIRST PURPLE ADVENT CANDLE ON YOUR WREATH THIS WEEK AND SAY THIS PRAYER TOGETHER: GOD OF HOPE, WE ARE SOMETIMES AFRAID, BUT YOU ARE ALWAYS WITH US SHOWING US THE WAY. HEAR OUR PRAYERS OF HOPE: (SHARE YOUR FAMILY'S INTENTIONS HERE) HELP US TO SHARE YOUR HOPE WITH EVERYONE. AMEN.

CAN YOU GET ANY CLOSER?



The closer you park, the more you risk.

No parking near school gates. No excuses.

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 **ROAD SAFETY PARTNERSHIP**

Merry Christmas

Wednesday 18th December

Main Course

- Fresh Roast Turkey
- Bacon & Sausage Roll
- Sage & Onion Stuffing
- Gravy
- Roast Quorn Fillet (v, vg) with Sage & Onion Stuffing
- Gravy

Dessert

- Christmas Cookie (v, vg)
- Homemade Chocolate Brownie
- Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt available

All served with Roast Potatoes, Creamed Potatoes, Peas, Carrots & Sprouts

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4th DEC

3:15-5:00PM

SCHOOL CHRISTMAS DISCO

Glow Sticks | Tattoo Transfers | Tuck Shop

£4 each

REMINDER

Annual Flu Vaccination Scheme

All children from reception to Year 11 are being offered a flu vaccination in school as part of the national vaccination programme.

Children will only receive the vaccination if you have registered and given permission.

The vaccination is given **nasally** unless you wish your child to have the vaccination via an injection into their upper arm.

The quickest way to register is by using the QR code which we have attached quoting our school code:

LE146180

Please contact the school office with any queries and we will do our best to answer them.

**Mrs Culley
School Office**

