

SAINT FRANCIS

CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



This

10th January 2025

COMING UP

Mon 13th		Sky Dance Club
Tues 14th	EYFS will have balance bike sessions.	Chess Club KS2 Multi Sports Club EYFS, Y1, Y2 & 3
Wed 15th		Multi Sports Club Y4, Y5 & Y6
Thurs 16th		American Flag Football Y5 & Y6
Fri 17th	Mass in school- 9.15am	

Dear families,



Welcome back to the new term after what I hope has been a relaxing Christmas break. I wanted to thank Mr Partington for his extra efforts in clearing our site and keeping it safe for us all week in the cold temperatures.

This week we celebrated the feast of Epiphany which celebrates how the three wise men followed a bright star to find the baby Jesus. I have shared a door blessing idea later in the newsletter and if you do try this at home, please send us a photo in Class Dojo!

On Sunday we look forward to the enrolment Mass for the First Holy Communion children which will be at 10.30 at the Convent chapel. I look forward to seeing our families there and all are welcome.

Mrs Brown and the St Francis Team



Congratulations to all the children who have received awards this



week

Mission	Reader	Lunchtime
Jayden	Roksana	
Rory	Thomas	
Angelina	Rosa	
Antonio	Harriette	Lana
Seth, Lian	Filip	Lian
Elsie	Olivia	
Nevaeh	Lia	

STAFF NEWS

Welcome to Mrs Blower who is a new teaching assistant in KS1.

DATES

- Friday 17th January- Epiphany Mass in school- 9.15am
- Monday 20th January- Pupil Parliament to visit Wilton Court
- Monday 20th January- rescheduled bikeability
- Tuesday 21st January- rescheduled bikeability
- Friday 24th January- Mass in the convent chapel- Y5/6 to attend @9.55am

CATHOLIC LIFE



Congratulations to Jude, Eric and their brothers on their Baptisms. Perfect timing ahead of our theme of Baptism next week. May they always walk in the love of Jesus and keep Him close in their hearts.

THEME FOR NEXT WEEK

bAPTISM

VIRTUE

Faith

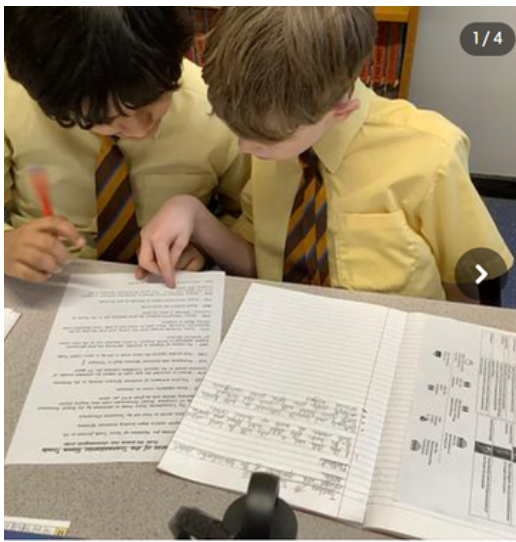


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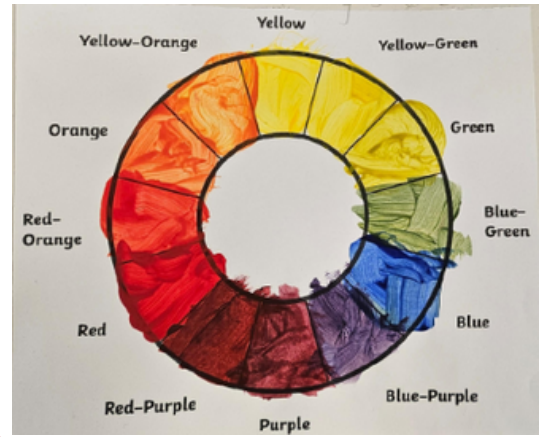
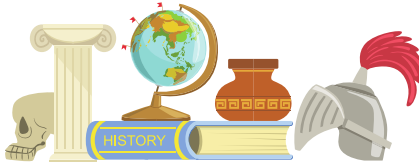
Our mission this week is to come up with an idea of how we can bring hope to our community as we enter our Jubilee Year.



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



In history this week, we have started to learn about the transatlantic slave trade. The children worked in pairs to put important events into chronological order and then used these events to create a time line.



Exploring primary and tertiary colours in Y4.

LEARNING IN ACTION AROUND THE SCHOOL



Impromptu science lessons in the EYFS outdoor provision



Sculpting with clay in Y2



Year 4 gathering together to start their class liturgy on the theme 'Epiphany'

NEWS FROM ALUMNII

FAMILY BLESSING FOR EPIPHANY



Noah and Victor were both enrolled in the guild of St Stephen at Mass.

Epiphany Door Blessing Tradition -20+C+M+B+25 ✨
This is an ancient blessing in the Catholic tradition that transcends cultures and continents. Legend says that the "chalked" letters correspond to the initials of the 3 Magi: Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar [German spelling]. More importantly, they abbreviate the Latin phrase *Christus mansionem benedicat* -- "Christ bless this house." The year 2025 is divided by the letters to show that we must keep Jesus at the centre of our lives daily, wherever we go when we cross the marked door's threshold. The four crosses signify the four corners of the world to which we, the baptized, are to proclaim the Gospel. Write the letters on the main doorway in your home with chalk or make a sign. Share this idea with your relatives and family—it could be a start of a new tradition!



School Ties

Our school uniform consists of wearing a tie and if anyone has forgotten to bring their tie to school the School Office has some that can be borrowed for the day.

The School Office also has some traditional ties for sale at £5.25 and elasticated ties can be purchased from our on-line school uniform shop whose details and a link can be found on our website.

Elasticated ties can also be purchased from ZidZone - a school uniform shop that can be found on Leicester Street in the town centre as well as other school uniform items.



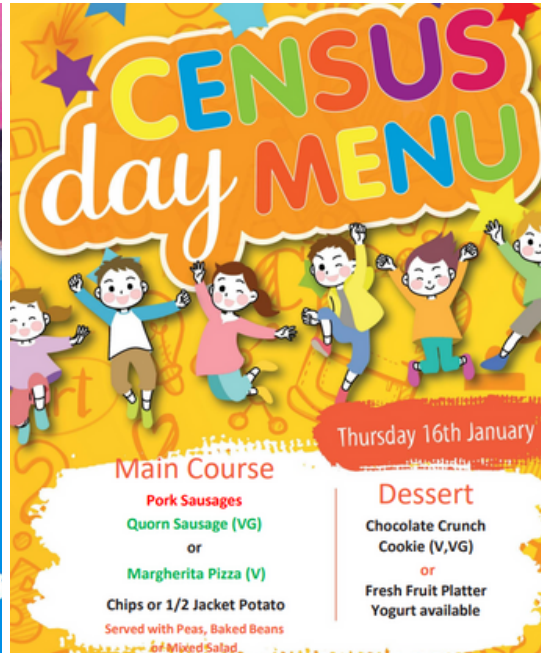
HALF TERM

Workshop

FEB - 19,20,21
9 AM - 3 PM
£25 PER DAY
10% SIBLING DISCOUNT!

PERFORMING STARS ACADEMY

EXTENDED HRS FROM 8AM + £2
SPACE 2B STUDIO, MELTON MOWBRAY.



CENSUS day MENU


Thursday 16th January

Main Course	Dessert
Pork Sausages	Chocolate Crunch
Quorn Sausage (VG)	Cookie (V,VG)
or	or
Margherita Pizza (V)	Fresh Fruit Platter
Chips or 1/2 Jacket Potato	Yogurt available
Served with Peas, Baked Beans	
or Mixed Salad	

Naming Clothing

Please remember to name all of your children's clothing they wear or bring to school.

During this cold snap this includes hats, scarfs and gloves.



GET IN THE KNOW

Tips for getting the right NHS care for you and your family

- 1**
Use NHS 111 when it's urgent
If you need urgent care, you should seek help straight away.
Contact NHS 111 online, by phone or via the NHS App at any time, day or night
- 2**
Check out the urgent care services
If you have an urgent health concern, there are many urgent care services you can access without an appointment.
Use NHS 111 to make sure it's the right place for you.
- 3**
Use a pharmacy for minor illness
Pharmacies can support with common illnesses by providing advice and medication.
Many can also prescribe prescription medication for some conditions without you needing to see a GP first.
- 4**
Visit a neighbourhood mental health cafe
If you need support with your mental health and wellbeing, visit one of the local neighbourhood mental health cafes.
There are cafes spread around Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland, run by trained and supportive staff.
- 5**
Get in the know, before you need to know
Visit www.getintheknow.co.uk for lots of useful information on getting the right care at the right time over the winter months.



FOX connect

An on-demand, bookable bus service for journeys to and from **Melton Mowbray**

New service starts 6 January 2025
Book a journey via the app or call 0116 216 7756

Travel to and from Melton Mowbray from these zones

App available to download from 3 January 2025

Find out more about FoxConnect services at choosehowyoumove.com/public-transport

Service supported by Leicester City Council, Buses operated by Centrebus, App powered by VIA, Funded by UK Government