

SAINT FRANCIS

CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



At Saint Francis We Love to Learn and
We Learn to Love

Friday 15th May 2026

'Love One Another, as I Have Loved You'
John 13:34-35

Dear all,

A huge well done to the Y6s for their excellent efforts this week completing their SATs. They worked so hard and should be very proud of themselves. The SATs are just one aspect of all that they have achieved at St Francis and we hope that they enjoyed their celebration in the park this afternoon. Thank you to all the staff for their hard work and to the families for your continued support.

Staffing News

We are delighted to share that Mrs Freckingham has been appointed as Assistant Headteacher to support us whilst Mrs Byrne is on maternity leave next year. We wish her all the best in her new role.

Heritage Event

We have some families showcasing their heritage and culture next week and we would love some more! Please sign up on the link sent in Dojo and also come along after school next Thursday from 3.15-4.15pm to see the children's work, family displays and a display all about our school's heritage!

For the last day of half term next Friday we will have a dress down day where children can wear their own clothes. Celebration Assembly will also be held in the morning at 9.15am and we will welcome a representative from the LCH charity which will introduce this year's Colour Dash to the children.

Have a restful weekend.

Mrs Brown

The Week Ahead

Mon		Netball Club KS2 Eco Club KS2 Mutli Sports Club (EYFS Years 1, 2 & 3)
Tues	Quadkids Athletics Excel- Selected children attending. 2.30pm Marian Walk- parents welcome.	
Wed		Multi Sports Years 4, 5 & 6
Thur	Heritage Evening- Come and join us from 3.15- 4.15pm after school.	Girl's Football Club KS2 Little Springers KS1
Fri	9.15am Colour Dash Assembly and Celebration Assembly	

Mission

This week's theme is example. The weekly missions are to create some information to share with our school community about culture or heritage.

If you have not seen the amazing heritage project that details our school's amazing heritage, please take a look! There is even a film of a play about the school's heritage for you to enjoy!!

<https://sfheritage.co.uk/>

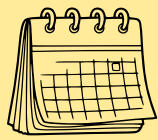
Timeline

Explore back through the decades to the origins of **St Francis School** and the **Franciscan Sisters Minors**. Tap the headings to show and hide the contents. [expand all](#)

Mother Francis (1843 - 1927)
- Mother Francis moves from Ireland to London

Margaret Murphy was born at Crossabeg, Enniscorthy, County Wexford, Ireland on 29th of March 1843.

1870
Aged 27, she moved to London to join the newly founded "Congregation of the Poor Servants of the Mother of God" at Cavendish Square, London. It was here that she took the name Sister Francis in 1870.



KEY DATES

Tuesday 19th May- Marian Walk

Tuesday 19th May- Quad Kids Athletics- selected children

Thursday 21st May- Heritage Evening

Friday 22nd May- Colour Dash Assembly

Half Term Break-

More about our school's heritage.

This is one of the first pictures taken of our school when it was first built in 1957!



Come along next week to see more amazing photos from the archives and from across the decades!



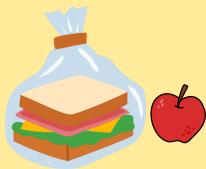
Parish of St John the Baptist
Keep up to date with the Parish news [here](#).

Chaplaincy

Deacon Keith led a retreat for Y2 this week. They explored our theme of example and the children drew in their lightbulbs what they could do to be an example for others. They sang the song, this little light of mine!



Celebrating Great Work and our Mission



Lunchtime Awards:
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Arther

	Mission	Reader
EYFS	Olivia	Jacob
Year 1	Clara	Isaac
Year 2	Oliver C	Alroy
Year 3	Ivy	Ofure
Year 4	Eric	Evie-Mae
Year 5	Arthur	David
Year 6	All of Y6	Gregorz

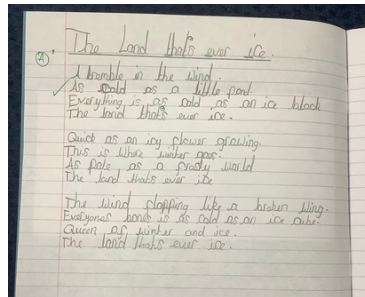
Celebrating Great Work and our Mission



Thank you to the Y6 team for making SATs such a pleasant experience for our children. They started each day with breakfast and some chill time in our Learning Lab. The children showed incredible resilience and determination and we hope that they are proud of their achievements.

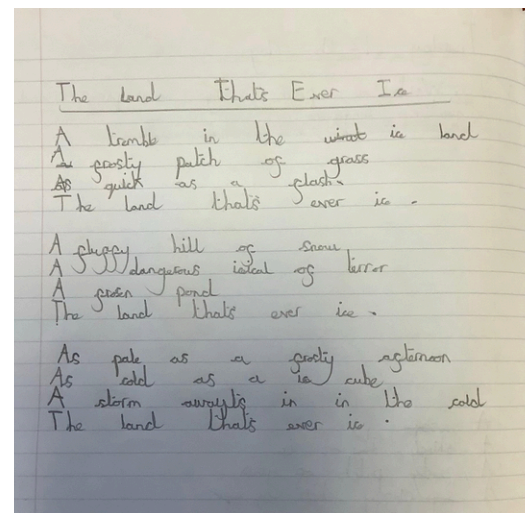


Year 3 and 4 have written some naming poems based on their class book, Frindleswyde!



in the hole in the sky, the snow and his mate were clattering. They carried Osa and Granny up a fishpond and into the world. After them flew onflies, bees and butterflies. Blossom clouds brought the air like white dragons, perching on ice.

pond in a freezing fog, snowflakes swirling about his soldiers around their feet.
 Just then a tiny golden butterfly landed on Frindle nose. He sneezed and waved off the fog. He looked no danger. Spring had come! Shivering, Frindleswyde lea down the hole in the pond. And there he stayed, shun on a heap of ice until winter.



Year 5 enjoying Tag Rugby sessions! They have also been learning about the fall of Islamic Baghdad.



May Half Term

at Leicester Cathedral



Make a matchbox house!

Tuesday 26 May
10.30am-12.00pm and
2.00-4.00pm

Use your
imagination and
design your very
own mini home!

Suitable for ages 3+



Drop-in

No charge but donations
welcome.
All children must be
accompanied by an adult.

Design your own peg doll!

Thursday 28 May
10.30am-12.00pm
and 2.00-4.00pm

Using paint pens,
decorate your
own peg doll to
take home.

Suitable for ages 3+



Where is home for you?

Visit our Living Together
Exhibition to
make your
mark!



Come and join us for our space themed day!

Fun activities and crafts!

Wednesday 27 May

from 10.30am - 4.00pm

See reverse for details.



www.leicestercathedral.org



Wednesday 27 May

Watch a science show by Sublime Science!

11.00am-12.00pm

No charge but donations
welcome.



Suitable for all ages!

Wednesday 27 May

Space themed play sessions for 0-7 year olds

Slots available to book via Eventbrite. Pay
what you can.



Wednesday 27 May

Kinetic Sand Tray

Come and play with space toys!



Suitable for all ages!

Wednesday 27 May

Make a moveable rocket craft activity

10.30am-12.00pm
and 2.00-4.00pm

No charge but donations welcome



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Meditation Awareness

Find your calm, your way.



Leicestershire Partnership
NHS Trust

Clear mind, feeling calm.

What is meditation?

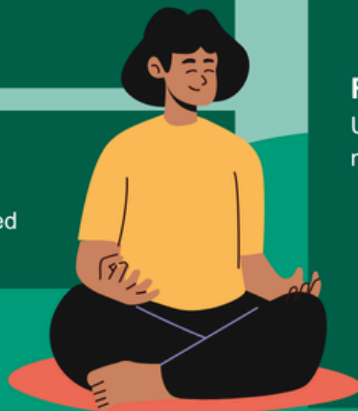
Meditation is the act of giving your attention to only one thing as a way of becoming calm and relaxed

Why meditate?

- Supports focus and helps to regulate and calm emotions
- Improves sleep quality
- Reduces stress and anxiety

Did you know?

Meditation has been around for thousands of years and is practised all over the world.



Mental Health Support
Teams in Schools

How do you meditate?

- Sit comfortably in a quiet place with a straight back
- Set a timer for 5-10 minutes
- Focus entirely on the sensation of your breath entering and leaving your body
- When your mind wanders - which it will - gently return your focus to the breath without judgment
- When the time is up, open your eyes slowly and take a moment to notice your surroundings
- When you first start trying meditation, it might help to count your breath (breathe in for 4 and out for 4)



For more information

Use the QR code below and you can explore mindfulness, self-care and find other tips for feeling calm.

Scan this QR code or visit the
link for more about our support
services:

leicspart.nhs.uk/mental-health

