



SAINT FRANCIS

CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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

Friday 2nd October 2026

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

Dear all,

Photo Mop Up session

If your child missed their school photo, we have arranged for an additional session next Tuesday. Mrs Culley will provide a list for the teachers.

Term Dates

Please see the link on the right for the term dates for next academic year. Please be reminded that we cannot authorise any term time holidays or trips to visit family. Our full attendance policy is on our website.

Wear Blue For Lourdes

Next Friday we invite all children to wear something blue for the month of Mary and to raise money for HCPT. HCPT is a registered charity offering pilgrimage holidays, to Lourdes in the south of France, for disabled and disadvantaged people from around the UK and further afield. The letters "HCPT" stand for the Hosanna House and Children's Pilgrimage Trust. Please donate what you can and our mission money for next week will go to this worthy cause.

Have a great weekend,
Mrs Brown



[Calendar Link](#)



[Term Dates Link](#)



[Website Link](#)

Week Beginning 5th October 2026

Mon	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Photo Mop Up Sessions	Girls' Football at Longfield		Wear Blue for Lourdes. Y3/4 attend Mass at Chapel 10am
Sunset Club	Sunset Club	Sunset Club	Sunset Club Eco Club	Sunset Club Sports' Club with Danny



Weekly Recognition Awards

Year Group	Mission	Star Reader
Reception	Herrah	Ruby-Rose
Y1	Summer-Leigh	Edyth
Y2	Alba	Clara
Y3	Bella	Immy
Y4	Connie	Seth
Y5	Joshua	Trixie
Y6	Fabian	Ella F



ROAD
safety
Sessions



Catholic Life and Mission



Thank you to Father John for celebrating Mass for the feast of St Francis and to welcome the harvest- thank you too for the kind donations.

Dear God

Thank you for your harvest
we are very grateful
for all the things you have given us

We appreciate the life you have given us
if there was no life
there would be no harvest
if there was no harvest
there would be no life

We thank mother nature
for the animals and plants.
when you look down on us
we will be rejoicing
for ever and ever

Amen



First Holy Communion

The First Communion Preparation Programme will be starting in January.

If your child is a baptised Roman Catholic in Year 3-6 and you wish them to be enrolled

In the programme to make their First Holy Communion in June 2027, please contact Mrs Cathcart Through the St Francis School office. You will need to provide your contact information and a copy of your

Child's Baptism certificate.



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



Zebra Crossing - School Crossing Patrol

There is a new School Crossing Patrol Officer on Dalby Road.

She will now operate directly on the zebra crossing - FROM NEXT TUESDAY. Initially, this will be a trial and monitored regularly as we try and encourage parents to cross at the Zebra with the patrol.

We hope this will encourage even greater use of the zebra crossing and further reinforce positive road safety habits among pupils and their families.

We would like to remind our school community on how to use the School Crossing Patrol correctly:

- * Wait on the pavement until the patrol officer has stepped into the road and stopped traffic.
- * Wait for the patrol officer's signal before crossing.
- * Cross in front of the patrol officer, never behind them.
- * Walk directly across the road and continue onto the opposite pavement.

So, please encourage our pupils to use the crossing and be safe.

PTA

We are keen to get our PTA up and running and we have had some incredible funding from the PTA, including contributions towards school trips and incredible resources for the school. If you are interested in becoming involved, please either message me in Class Dojo or chat to me on the playground.



Parents' Evenings

Our Parents' Evenings, we also call Parent Consultations, will be on Tuesday 13th and Wednesday 14th October.

To book an appointment with your child's teacher please access the evenings through your child's Arbor account from 5pm today (Friday)

Please use the main entrance to the school off Dalby Road to access the school.

Please do not park at the front of the school.

Meetings will take place in the hall and if anyone is having difficulty making a booking please give the school office a call and we will be most happy to help you book an appointment.

School Office



October Half Term

19th - 30th
October



Sibling Discount Avail.

£28
per day



Whissendine Sports Club
Whissendine
LE15 7EU



fun & creative
indoor & outdoor
activities



Multi Activity - Sports, Drama, Arts and Crafts. Fun and relaxed, with lots of options to choose from.

STOP

MEANS STOP
IT'S THE LAW!



QUICK FACTS:

- School Crossing Patrol Officers can stop traffic to allow both adults and children to cross the road safely.
- It is **LAW** for motorists to stop when requested by a School Crossing Patrol Officer.
- School Crossing Patrol Officers are near schools or major road junctions to help pedestrians cross the road in the mornings and afternoons.
- Parents are responsible for making sure their child gets to and from school safely, even if there is a School Crossing Patrol Officer.
- When using a School Crossing Patrol Officer:
 - wait at the kerb
 - don't follow the patrol into the road
 - only cross when the patrol tells you to
 - always walk in front of the patrol
 - get off you scooter or bike

School Crossing Patrol Signals



Figure A: Sign upside down - not ready to cross pedestrians



Figure B: Sign sideways - barrier to prevent pedestrians crossing. Not ready to cross pedestrians



Figure C: Sign held up high - ready to cross pedestrians. Drivers must stop unless unsafe to do so



Figure D: Sign held up high - All drivers must stop