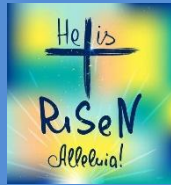




# Newsletter

## St Francis Xavier Catholic Primary School



April 2026

To all in the St Francis Xavier community, we hope that this letter finds you well. As we continue through Eastertide, our focus is upon spreading the joy and hope of the resurrection. We have many exciting events to look forward to this term alongside statutory assessments for Y1 (Phonics), Y4 (Times Tables) and Y6 (Year 6 SATs), please see the following items for your attention.

### Dates for the Diary

- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May – Bank Holiday (School Closed)
- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May – SATS week begins for Year 6
- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May – Y1 Phonics Parents Meeting
- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2:45pm – Y4 Times Tables Check Parents' Meeting
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Pentecost Liturgy
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Y4/Y5 trip to Austerfield
- Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May – School closes for Half term.
- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June – School opens for pupils
- Week commencing Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June – Y1 Phonics Screening Check
- Week Commencing Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June – Year 4 Multiplication Times Tables Check

### Uniform

May we remind parents that Jewellery is not permitted at school. Children may wear stud ear rings but no hoops or ear rings which risk getting caught. Pupils are also permitted to wear a watch (no smart watches). Furthermore, pupils are not permitted to wear over-elaborate hair accessories including bows and beads – all hair accessories must be practical and functional.

If your child attends school with missing or incorrect uniform, you will be sent a letter by your child's class teacher.

### Breakfast Club

We run a school breakfast club from 7:30am every day. The cost of Breakfast Club is £2.50 per day. There is a range of breakfast options available including toast, cereal, waffles and fruit. At breakfast club the children are supervised by teachers and members of school staff and have the opportunity to take part in a range of learning and fun activities with their friends. Breakfast club places do not need to be booked in advance, you can simply turn up anytime from 7:30am-8:20am at the entrance to the school hall.



### Year 6 SATs Week

Year 6 SATS take place in the week commencing the 11<sup>th</sup> May. All year 6 children **MUST** be in school every day this week.

These are statutory exams that all Y6 pupils in the country must take. Please ensure that your child arrives in school promptly every day this week, goes to bed early the night before each exam, eats breakfast before school and brings a full water bottle with them.

### Achievements Outside of School

If your child achieves something outside of school e.g. a music exam, a sports event or any other special achievement please let us know. We would be delighted to celebrate these achievements as part of our celebration assemblies.

## Holy Week

During Holy week we gathered as a school community to follow the final events of Jesus' life and to journey with him to the foot of the cross and through to his glorious resurrection on Easter Sunday. Thank you to each of our KS2 classes and Chaplaincy Team who took responsibility for leading a different liturgy throughout the week.



## Maths at Home!

At St Francis, we subscribe to a number of online learning platforms so that your child can continue learning maths at home by completing online learning tasks set by and monitored by their class teacher. Those pupils who access these programs regularly at home make significantly accelerated progress in their learning and attainment. Your child's log in details can be found in their reading records. Each program can be accessed through a web browser or by downloading the app for free. For further information, speak to your child's class teacher. It has been a joy to see so many of our pupils engaging in hours of extra learning at home so far this term – keep up the good work everyone!

**NUMBOTS – Foundational  
maths skills for Reception &  
Y1**



**Times Tables Rockstars –  
Times tables practice for Y2-6**



**Mathletics – Advanced maths  
practice for Y4-6**



## Class Dojo

Please continue to check class Dojo regularly for updates and messages from school.



## Postcards this month...

**Congratulations to the following pupils who have received postcards for outstanding behaviour, attitudes and work:**

**Zion    Kairo    Maks    Tommy**

