



To all in the St Francis Xavier community, thank you for all of your support over the past term and particularly for your generous donations to all of our fundraising events. Please see the items below for your information. From all at St Francis we wish you a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year!

Dates for the Diary

- Monday 16th December 10:00am** – EYFS Nativity
- Monday 16th December 2:00pm** – KS1 Nativity
- Tuesday 17th December 10:00am** – Y3 & Y4 Nativity
- Tuesday 17th December 2:00pm** – Y5 & 6 Nine Reading & Nine Carols Service (At St Peter's)
- Wednesday 18th December** – Christmas Dinner Day
- Thursday 19th December** – Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Party Day (Non-uniform)
- Friday 20th December 1:00pm** – Carols around the Crib
- Friday 20th December** – School Finishes at 2:00pm
- Monday 6th January 8:35-8:50am** – School Resumes for Pupils

Carols around the Crib

Our Carols around the Crib service will take place on the 20th December at 1:00pm. We will be inviting parents to join us on the day. There is a limited number of tickets available (20). Tickets are allocated on a first come, first serve basis - please reserve your place via the school office.



Feast of the Epiphany

On Monday 6th January, we shall holding a special whole school liturgy to celebrate the feast of the Epiphany. Families are welcome to join us, please reserve a space by contacting the school office.



Winter Fayre

Thank you to all who attended our Winter Fayre on Friday 6th December. We are delighted that this event raised £1387. This money will be invested in learning resources for the pupils.



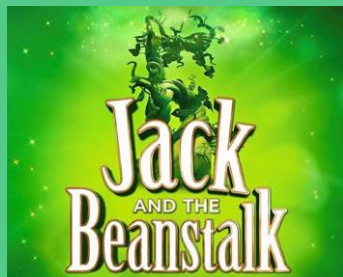
The Feast of St Francis Xavier

On Tuesday 3rd December, we were delighted to welcome Fr Darren into school to celebrate a Mass for the Feast of St Francis Xavier and to bless our Advent wreathes.



Pantomime

Years 1-3 had a wonderful time at the pantomime, Jack and The Beanstalk on Thursday 5th December.



School Choir

Well done to our school choir and to Miss Janvier who have bringing Christmas cheer to all through their performances at the Stirling centre and at our Winter Fayre.



Farewell Mr Bennett

It is with heavy hearts that we say goodbye to Mr Bennett at the end of this term. Mr Bennett has taught at St Francis for the past 5 years, teaching in every year group from years 1-6. He has been a wonderful member of the St Francis staff and will be missed by staff and pupils alike.

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of the entire school community, to thank Mr Bennett for his years of service to our pupils and to wish him every success for his travels to Australia.

Welcome Back

It is with great pleasure that we welcome Miss Hodby, Miss Langston and Mrs Foster back to St Francis at the end of this term following their maternity leave. Please join me in welcoming them back to our school community.

Raffle Tickets

Thank you to all of you who purchased raffle tickets in order to help raise money for our school. Winners will be drawn at the Y3/4 Nativity performance next week and winning numbers will be sent to parents via parentmail. Tickets are still available from the school office or via ParentPay. All money raised will be invested in learning resources for the pupils.



Postcards this month...

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

Eva Andre Antoni Macey

