



St Francis Catholic and Church of England Primary Academy NEWSLETTER

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Dear Families,

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at the welcome breakfasts that we have coming up over the next couple of Wednesdays. It will be a great opportunity for me to meet you all and for us to share our new School Values . Breakfast will be served between 8.30 and 9.30am. If you haven't yet sent in your slip, we must have final numbers by Monday morning to ensure we have enough food for everyone.

There will be a letter coming home early next week with details of our upcoming Open Day for parents to come and see what their child is doing in class. This will be happening on Thursday 28th September. There will be 2 sessions; 9.45-10.25 or 1.15-2.40. Further details to follow.

The parents of Reception children in Wren Class are invited to join Mrs Scarpato on Wednesday 20th September from 2pm –2.50pm for a session about Phonics and how it is taught in school. Please can parents sign in at the office an you will be taken up to class.

Values

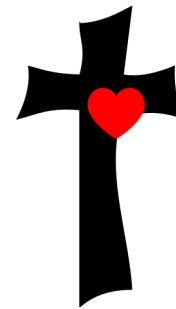
Next week's value is LOVE

'Serve one another in love.' Galatians 5.13

Thought for the week...

Can you think of a small act of service by some else that has made a big difference to you?

Think of a time when helping someone else made you feel joyful.



Mrs F Perkins
Principal

Clubs & Charging

The clubs letter has come home today. If you are wanting a place on any of our clubs, please get the slip back to the office by Tuesday morning 19th September. To ensure fairness to all, clubs that are over subscribed will have names drawn from a hat. This could mean that siblings may not necessarily be in a club together. We will endeavour to give children a place in at least 1 club but cannot promise they will get all the clubs they ask for. Clubs will run for 10 weeks in the run up to Christmas. A waiting list will be held for the term if anyone drops out.

We will be charging for clubs where a product is made and brought home and where we have had to "buy-in" a service from a provider.

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Library News

Exciting news! On the 13th October we are hosting part of the Isle of Wight Literacy festival.

We will have 6 authors joining us in school on the day:

Reception, Yr 1 & 2 will be entertained by Jake Rodrigues who will be doing a performance of Cat in the Hat .

Yr 3 will be working with "Jules Marriner" on her new book Nature Calls .

Yr 4 Alex Milway will be holding an art workshop.

Yr 5 Should have great fun with Kev Sutherland making comic book creations.

Yr 6 will be inspired by Sarah Holding, who will be providing creative workshops.

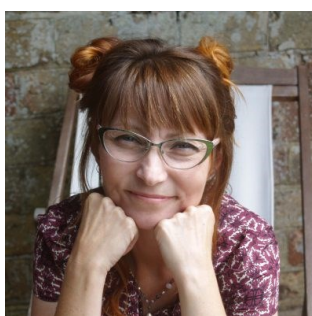
Finally we will be delighted by Mo O'Hara who will be presenting interactive storytelling and a creative workshop.

This is such a great opportunity for the children and staff to immerse themselves in such stimulating literature before, during and after the event. Here is a link to the Isle of Wight Literacy Festival Website

<http://isleofwightliteraryfestival.com/authors-speakers/>

Who is Who?

Can you name the authors? The website will help you.



Congratulations to Andrei D who became a Free Reader this week.

Friends of St Francis

The Friends of St Francis is looking forward to organising the Christmas Fayre, which will take place on Saturday, November 18th from 11am to 2pm. We can't do it without volunteers, so would you like to help? Please let us know if you are interested in helping with any of the following:

- **Hamper wrapping on Friday, November 10th, from 8.30am-11am ** Wrap presents from home **
- **Sell raffle tickets during November (a prize for the parent who sells the most) **
- ** Help set up Santa's Grotto on Friday 17th November, from 4pm ** Facepaint at the fayre **
- ** Run a craft stall (all materials supplied) ** Help on a stall ** Donate a cake for refreshments **

If you can help, please let the school office have your contact details, or email lorilittleiow@gmail.com. The Friends of St Francis meet each Thursday at 8.30am in the multifunction room, please come along, everyone welcome.

We would love your unwanted soft toys for our next toy tombola! Please bring to the office.

Open Hearts – Open Minds