

St. Francis News

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School Mission

Statement

As a Catholic School we come together to celebrate our love of God and each other.

Through prayer, we follow Jesus' example of love, forgiveness and truth.

We are a safe and happy community where every individual is supported and encouraged to achieve their targets.

We believe, that with God, everything is in our reach.

Dear Parent / Carer,

Although this is one of the shortest terms, it has been a very busy one.

Last week we had a visit from the BBC who were auditioning for roles in a CBeebies programme with children in Y1 and Y2. Fingers crossed that some of the children will be selected and will have the exciting opportunity to be at the TV studios soon.

There have also been several other visits and visitors to school, for example, Y5 met an author at Gorton Library, Reception and Y1 had bike balancing lessons from the Bikeright Team, Y3 and Y5 visited Manchester Art Gallery.

Fr Peter Tierney from the Salford Diocese visited school recently. He led an informal inspection to look at the work of the Chaplains / GIFT team in school. The children were amazing (as always) and he was very impressed with the work that the staff and children are doing to support each other and the wider community. Thank you and well done to Mrs Greenwood Knapper and Mrs Radcliffe for all their hard work with the Chaplains.

We have hosted several students this term. 4 teaching students in their final year at MMU, 2 speech and language students and lots of work experience / TA students from various establishments. It is always lovely to have extra adults in school but it can mean a lot of extra work for the staff. We are very careful that students are of the highest standard and that they receive excellent support to ensure that they enhance the children's learning. Thanks to all the staff mentors.

Science week was a huge success earlier in March. The children had lots of amazing experiences (including Y5 setting fire to a teacher at St Peter's ... don't try this at home!!) Thanks to Mr Mee for organising the week.

Finally, as we prepare for the Easter holiday, may I thank the Office team who have worked tirelessly this term in a variety of areas which has supported our families. Please help them by ensuring that all outstanding money is paid as soon as possible.

Thank you. Have a great holiday! Mrs Frize x

We were asked to pass on the following comment from the optician who came as part of the team to check the eyesight of some of the children: “ This is a really special school...quite exceptional” She said that the team had been made very welcome here and the children were gorgeous, polite and well mannered. She said it was quite unusual to see children at that age that could forward think - when they saw what happened they started to copy & do things for themselves eg putting the patches in the bin after use. She said it was a pleasure coming here, and to have 100% sign up from the parents was also excellent.

Well done Reception Class!

We have been asked to pass on the following free events that are happening in our community. Please note that we are not linked to these events and do not know them in any way.

SPECIAL OFFER! SCHOOLS FAMILY OUTING....

World Championship motorcycle racing roars back in to Manchester this May!

Looking for something different for the whole family to enjoy? Race off 2 of the Monster Energy FIM Speedway of Nations is taking over Manchester on 11 May.

Get down to the National Speedway Stadium for a night of non-stop adrenalin fuelled motorbike racing - 21 epic heats, 7 nations, battling it out wheel to wheel! On bikes with just a single gear and no brakes, it's set to be a tense evening of action.

Get up close to the track when the toughest speedway pairs from Great Britain, Australia, France, Finland, Denmark, USA and Latvia race off in a challenge of team tactics, hitting top speeds!

Exclusively for local Manchester schools, we're offering an exclusive family ticket bundle of 2 adults and 2 child standing tickets for just £40!*

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First Take School of Acting is an acting school in Manchester and on Saturday 13th April they have a free open day for children to go along and try out their classes.

First Take School of Acting for Kids have classes for ages 5 and over for those interested in pursuing a career within TV, Film founded by Jamie Lomas and Simone Clark who are delighted to bring a world class learning environment to the North of England, with state of the art technology and inspired teaching.

Some of the things covered at Kids & Youth First Take School of Acting include:

COMING SOON.....THE NEW ST FRANCIS WEBSITE! KEEP WATCHING!