

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,

Hooray! It's the start of a new term! I was so glad to have heard of all the lovely things the children have been doing over the summer.

This summer saw lots of loveliness for the staff too...

Mr Knapper (Year 6) married Miss Greenwood (Year 1) The sun shone and a fantastic time was had by all!

Miss Gilleade (Nursery) also got married at the start of the holidays. Again, a lovely time was had by all! She is now called Mrs Kelsall.

Just a few days ago, Mrs Bentley (Nursery)

had a beautiful baby girl called Lola.

She's adorable and mum and dad are very happy and proud!



THANK YOU to everyone who donated, helped, bought or ate cake last week. We raised over £500 for MacMillan Cancer Research. We should all be very proud to have helped such a brilliant cause. Well done all!!!

This week we have had 2 brilliant pieces of news about past pupils...

Melisha Barboza at St Peter's took her English Literature GCSE a year early and gained the highest grade possible (Grade 9). Superb! Well done

Also, Maame Danquah who has been made Head Girl at Manchester Academy. Wow!

Go St Francis!!!!

Daily Mile

As part of our healthy school approach, I have been asked to remind parents of the benefits of the Daily Mile.

The Daily Mile is very simple way to get our children fit and healthy in school. Without wasting time to change into kit, every child in a school goes out each day in the fresh air to run, jog or walk for 10-15 minutes. It is not competitive: most children will average a mile in that time, with some doing more and some doing less. It is not PE, sport or cross-country but a physical activity which is aimed at improving the children's physical, social, emotional and mental health and wellbeing. It can help children to focus and concentrate in the classroom and raise their attainment. Since 2015, The Daily Mile has been adopted by over 1,600 schools in the UK alone, proving extraordinarily popular with thousands of children, parents and teachers.

Our aim is to have everyone completing the mile every day before Christmas.

The children will all be doing their miles in the afternoon. They do not need to get changed and can do the walk in their schools shoes but if children want to change into trainers they can do at Lunch time to avoid wasting time before the start of the mile.

Feedback request

The Screening and Immunisation and Public Health Commissioning team at the Greater Manchester Health and Social Care Partnership are currently carrying out a review of the school aged immunisation services across Greater Manchester. They are looking for feedback from schools and parents around their thoughts and experiences of the current programmes.

The survey for parents is short and should only take a few minutes to complete. This is an opportunity for you to give feedback on the service.

<https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/YPSOJ/> (Parent survey)

The surveys will close on 31st October 2018.

They hope that your invaluable feedback will ensure they are delivering a high quality service across Greater Manchester.

Humphrey's Lantern Walk

We have been informed of an event that families in Manchester schools maybe interested in. Join Humphrey's Lantern Walk in the beautiful surroundings of Heaton Park, Manchester on Saturday 17th November, and help raise funds to support patients at Royal Manchester Children's Hospital! This sponsored walk is family-friendly and accessible, with 2k and 4k distances to choose from. All children taking part will receive a special goody bag and a twin-kling paper lantern as part of their £5 entry fee, and they would love to see people taking part in

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please may I remind you that cardigans are not part of our school uniform. A stall on Gorton Market have somehow got our logo and are making uniform, including cardigans. We have not given them permission to use our logo and cannot therefore recommend their goods as we do not know what the quality of their items is. Please do not buy cardigans. Thank you