

St Thomas More RC Primary School
Early Years Foundation Stage
Reception Class



24th September 2020

Dear Parents,

At St Thomas More's RC Primary School, each class has a 'Class Saint' assigned to them. We are pleased to announce that our 'Class Saint' this year is St Francis of Assisi.

On Friday (2nd October) we will be celebrating St Francis of Assisi's Feast Day and over the course of the week, we will be learning lots more about him and we will enjoy lots of activities and experiences based on his work.

We would really love your support with this over the next week and, if possible, with your child at home please talk about St Francis of Assisi, his work and how this can be continued by each of us in our daily lives.

Also we have another **challenge** for you at home. If your child would like to create a picture, painting, collage, construct a model or even some mark making based on St Francis of Assisi this would be wonderful and we would really appreciate photographs of any 'creations' to be emailed to our Reception Team:

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Alternatively they can be shared on our Google Classroom pages (details to follow). We will then share these with one another, print off the photographs and display in class. Due to the current situation around COVID-19, we are unable to accept any 'physical' pieces of work/creations into school. Please use the methods as explained above.

St Francis of Assisi:

St Francis of Assisi (September 26, 1181 - October 3, 1226) is a Christian Saint. He is the founder of the Franciscan Order and is the Patron Saint of animals, the environment, merchants, Italy and Catholic Action. He was born in Assisi in Italy where a large basilica was built in his honour.



On his Feast Day, many churches have a ceremony for people to bring their pets and working animals to Church.

Many thanks for your continued support.

The Reception team