# St Francis of Assisi Catholic Primary School

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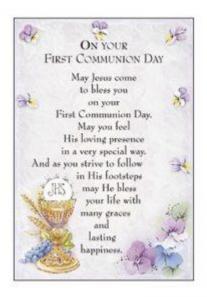
Dear Parents/Carers,

## **SATS 2023**

Well done to our Y6 children this week who have completed their final test this morning. We are so proud of the manner in which they have approached their SATs, and we would all like to wish them a lovely, relaxing and fun weekend.

# **COMMUNIONS**

This Saturday and next Saturday some of our children are making their First Holy Communion in church. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you on your special day and we hope that you make some lovely memories with your family and friends. One of our children made their Communion last weekend - we really hope that you had a wonderful day.



## **Attendance**

Attendance for this week is as follows – Reception –80.8% Y1/2 –93.8%



















Y3 -85.9%

Y4 -90.9%

Y5 -97.9%

Y6 -98.2%

#### **After School Clubs**

After School Clubs as follows:

Tuesdays – Gymnastics WLSP Y3 & Y4 3.15pm - 4.15pm

Couch to 5K running club with Miss Austin 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Thursdays -Athletics WLSP Y5 & Y6 3.15pm - 4.15pm

Couch to 5K running club with Miss Austin 3.15pm – 4.15pm

# **Reading Challenge**

Well done this week to Orlaith, Jacob & Alfie

## **PARKING**

As I have previously requested, please be considerate and avoid parking in residential parking spaces around school. I have had several recent complaints from the local community including one this week.

#### Maths

Mrs Wright is our Maths Lead in school and she has asked me to share this link with you as she thinks it may be useful:

https://whiterosemaths.com/maths-with-michael

There are 6 videos that explain how you can help your child with maths and there are some useful resources too.

## **Teacher Training – North West SCITT**

As a key partner of NW SHARES SCITT Primary Teacher Training programme we are delighted to share the news that our teacher training programme has recently been judged to be outstanding by Ofsted in the recent inspection. Only 6 other providers in the country currently hold this grade under the inspection framework introduced in 2020. If you are interested in training to become a primary school teacher and already hold a degree, call the office on 01695 557488 for more information.

# **The Household Support Fund**

The Household Support Fund is now available... Please spread the word and click the link below for further details:

Household Support Fund - West Lancashire Borough Council (westlancs.gov.uk)

#### **Directory of Support Services**

The Financial Inclusion Team at West Lancs Borough Council have generated a directory of resources that's easily accessible for anyone and everyone.

Please click the link below to have a look as it's a great resource to have to hand.

<u>Directory of Support Services - West Lancashire Borough Council (westlancs.gov.uk)</u>

# **Help and Assistance in Difficult Times**

Times are hard at the moment for many. The St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) can provide practical assistance if you need it and we have a local branch in Skelmersdale. You can ring them on 07470351042. They are really approachable and non-judgemental and they help us a lot as a school. There is a foodbank available behind St Francis of Assisi Church near the entrance to the adjoining house. This is open every Wednesday from 12 noon until 1pm.

## **Cost of Living Support – Guidance for parents and carers**

Find out the most up-to-date information about what help is available for households and businesses in Lancashire on the <u>Cost of living support website</u>. This website summarises some of the most useful information from Lancashire County Council and they have asked that we share it with you.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Ann Naylor (Headteacher)