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Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy March !

## **Y4/Y5 Trip to Martin Mere**

The children had a fantastic trip to Martin Mere yesterday and all thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to enhance their scientific and geographical knowledge.

Many thanks to Science Lead, Miss Austin, for organising the trip, and to the staff who went along to help and support our children. They were all very tired when they returned !

## **St Francis' World Book Day – Friday 3rd March**

Promoting a love of reading is something we are passionate about at St Francis' and what better day to celebrate this than World Book Day ! Due to several classes being out on a trip, we celebrated a day later than the official World Book Day but children still participated in lots of lovely book-based activities. Find lots of information about World Book Day on this link [here](#).

## **Y6 Booster Lessons**

Booster lessons continue on Monday for Year 6 children. Please ensure that your child attends these lessons as they are a great way of preparing for the upcoming national assessments, SATs, which take place on the 9th -12th May.

## **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 \(westlancs.gov.uk\)](https://www.westlancs.gov.uk/household-support-fund)

## **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.

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**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 [Cost of living support website](#). This website summarises some of the most useful information from Lancashire County Council and they have asked that we share it with you.

Best wishes,  
Ann Naylor (Headteacher)