



St. Francis

Church of England Primary School

Joy from faith, joy of learning, joy in the journey

Week ending: 28.11.25

'I have told you this so my joy may be in you' John 15:11

Upcoming dates

Monday 1st December:

Our choir are singing at Blackburn Cathedral 6.30pm

Wednesday 3rd December: Christmas Craft Day in school

Thursday 4th December: Christmas Tree Service 9.15 – 10.15am – parents/carers welcome; Worship Wardens to lead this special service

Friday 5th December: PTA Christmas Fair

Monday 8th December: EYFS welcoming Fred & Pearl into school to make Christmas Crafts. See flyer below.

Wednesday 10th December: Year 1 to Year 6 trip to Planet Ice to watch Dick Whittington (EYFS will have their own exciting event – details soon!)

EYFS to have a Festive Afternoon of Fun!

Thursday 11th December: St Luke's Christmas Show in school

Friday 12th December: Rocksteady Concert 9.15 – 9.45am – parents/carers welcome to join us

Tuesday 16th December: Y1/2 Nativity Play 2.15pm – parents/carers welcome to join us

Wednesday 17th December: Christmas Parties in class; Piano and keyboard concert 9.15 – 9.45am; Christmas Dinner; PTA Christmas Movie evening – children can change into their PJs

Thursday 18th December: School closes for Christmas holidays at 1pm.

I am delighted to share some highlights from our school community this week. Our Year 1 children enjoyed their visit to our local library on Monday. Being in such a lovely text-rich environment provides an excellent opportunity for our youngest learners to explore the joy of reading and develop their literacy skills in a different environment.

Our Year 3 children demonstrated remarkable compassion and community spirit on Wednesday by hosting a highly successful charity event. They worked diligently to create meal bags for our local Foodbank, showcasing the values of empathy and social responsibility that we hold dear at St Francis CE Primary. I extend my deepest gratitude to our parents for their generous donations and to those who joined us for this fun afternoon.

Today, our school was filled with festive cheer as we celebrated Christmas Jumper Day. The corridors were alive with colour and joy, as children and staff alike donned their most festive knitwear. In exchange for these delightful jumpers, we collected kind donations of bottles and chocolate, further supporting our school community's spirit of giving and caring deeply.

Street Survey – Interested Parents needed

Please remember to pop into school or give us a ring if you would like to be part of our audit group with Living Streets, to help to decide on safer strategies to get to school each day.

An audit has been arranged for 15th January at 9.30am, where the audit group will meet together and walk some routes to school to agree on the next steps with the council with the aim of keeping everyone safe on the roads.

The audit group will include a group of parents, some Y6 children, some school staff and governors.

Best Attendance of the week!

Our attendance figures were a “mixed bag” this week.

The team percentages were as follows:

Spring 91%, Winter 92%, Summer 96%,
Autumn 99%

Well done to Autumn for their EXCELLENT attendance!

Reception class winners



Year 1 award winners



Year 2 award winner



Year 3 award winner



Year 4 award winners



Year 5 award winners



A huge well done to all the children who received their November badge for the WOW Walk to School challenge today. Many have now earned their second badge and hopefully we continue collecting them up until July next year!

Remember, if your child has an active journey to or from school at least once every week, they will be eligible for the Walk to School badge at the end of each month.



Y6 award winners



Year 1 and 2 have been learning about fire safety with the help of visiting fire fighters. They learnt how to avoid fires starting, how to keep themselves safe in a fire and what the work of a fire fighter involves. Lots of our children think this might be the career they wish to pursue.

St Francis PTA invite you to the

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Arts & Crafts, Snacks, Gift
Stalls, Raffle, Tombola & Games



• FREE ENTRY •

Friday 5th December 3.30- 5.30

Please bring cash to spend at the fair



Saturday 29th November

Where: St Aidan's Church & Community Hub

Station Road Bamber Bridge Preston, PR5 6QR

This is a **PARISH** Community Event

Everyone Welcome

🌲 Bacon Barm & a brew £1.50

Cake & brew 50p Children refreshments FREE 🌲

FREE ENTRY

**10am-
4pm**

DONATIONS GREATLY
APPRECIATED

Stalls

Mince Pies

Tombola

Games

CHARITY Registration number 1210473

