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Dear Parent/Carer,

Well done, the children never disappoint and have had a wonderful start to the new school year. They look very smart in their school uniforms and continue to get compliments on their smart attire and model behavior as they move around the community. The new Reception and Nursery children have settled in really well, considering how very young these children are, so well done Mums and Dads they couldn't have done it without your support in helping them to be well adjusted and independent children. Let's keep up the good work and remember:

For girls:

- hair bands, clips and ribbons should be in white, navy blue or black
- hair styles should be simple and age appropriate (no coloured hair)
- no nail varnish or make up of any form
- small studs earring or allow but no hoop or dangly earrings
- tights/socks should be black or navy blue

Boys are asked to have their hair trimmed in a sober, age appropriate manner for school so there should be no:

- pony tails, mohawks, coloured hair patches
- no symbols or brand or designs cut into the scalp
- no earrings for school

All children should wear black school shoes no trainers are allowed.

Teachings of St Francis - Prayers

This half term we will be exploring the teachings of St Francis in our school assemblies. This week we will look at **prayers from St Francis**. The most famous that is associated with St Francis is:

Lord, make us instruments of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon;

where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.

*O Divine Master, grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled
as to console, to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love.*

*For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen*

Prayer is a time for us to speak to our Lord and Savior but also a time for us to listen in perfect peace. Let us be like Samuel and be ready to say "... speak Lord your servant is listening." **1 Samuel 3:10**. Let us strengthen our relationship with God in prayer.



Newham London

Headteacher: Ms Natasha Scott



Building Works

The building works will continue for at least another two weeks as the toilets are completed and finishing touches are added. Please pardon the disruption to the playground we hope to have it back to normal shortly.

Afterschool Clubs

Afterschool clubs will begin today Monday 12th September 2016.

Class and Individual photos

We will be taking the children's class and individual photos on **Friday 16th September**. Please ensure that your child is dressed appropriately in full school uniform.

RE Curriculum Overview

Attached are the RE topics that we will teach this term.

Annual Consent Form

Please sign this form and return it to school as soon as possible; this allows your child to go on visits in the local area

Curriculum Meetings

Over the next few weeks we will be holding our annual curriculum meetings for Nursery to year 6. These meetings will be an opportunity to meet with the senior leadership team to find out about our plans for St. Francis' this year as well as meet your child's class teacher to find out about what your child will be learning this year. Please look for your child to come home with a separate letter about this.

The meetings are as follows:

Monday, 12th September 2016 at 5:30 p.m. Reception - 5

Wednesday, 14th September 2016 at 5:30 p.m. Year 6

Thursday 6th October 2016 at 5:30 p.m. Nursery

Crèche facilities will be available for these meetings.

N. Scott
Head Teacher

