

St. Francis' News

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Shakespeare fortnight



To celebrate World Book Week we decided to dedicate 2 weeks to learn and enjoy William Shakespeare and his works. Each class chose a well known play and worked on it with enthusiasm and dedication.

We also had the traditional class café, a blind date with a book and a story swap session.

A storyteller and a theatre company visited us to enhance our World Book Week experience and all children and adults had great fun working together!



Unfortunately, due to the snow and severe weather warnings we had to postpone our dressing up day.

But fear not! We have rescheduled for Friday 13th April.



Important Dates

Thursday 12th April 2018
First day back in school

Friday 13th April 2018
Dressing up day

WB 30.04.18
Science week

7th May 2018
May day—school closed

WB 14th May 2018
Y6 SATS

Easter assemblies

During the last week of term children reminded all of us about this very special time for our Church family. Through drama and singing they led us into inspired reflection and left us all willing to go and share the Good News.

"Lord, the resurrection of Your Son has given us new life and renewed hope. Help us to live as new people in pursuit of the Christian ideal. Grant us wisdom to know what we must do, the will to want to do it and the courage to undertake it" Amen



St Francis' in the news!



As many of you are aware we have participated in the Chess in Schools Programme for a number of years with our pupils in year 2.

On Friday, 9th February the school was asked to be involved in a profile of the programme for Channel 5 news. See the

link below for what was included on the news that evening.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EtcOtA6GgNs>



Attendance for the this half term:

Gold: 3K 97.7%
Silver: joined 5L and 6R 97.2%
Bronze: joined 5K and 2A 96.7%

Attendance **must** be 100% because **any** absence affects children's learning and the more they miss the harder it will be for them to catch up.

Big Fish Monday

On Monday 26th February, the Children in Year 6 visited the Billingsgate Seafood Training School to participate in their new initiative for primary students. This programme is called 'Big Fish Monday' and St Francis' was the first primary school to pilot the event.



The Seafood School, which is situated above the Billingsgate Fish Market, provided an exciting opportunity for the children to participate in a variety of activities such as: making a fish display; touching/handling the fish; watching a filleting sessions; making a recipe to taste and thinking about sustainability.



Sporting events

St Francis' have had a very successful half term. We have participated in three competitions: Year 5/6 netball, Year 3/4 Sportshall athletics and Year 1 hot potatoes; in all three competitions we have taken home gold medals. In addition to this, the Y5/6 netball team qualified for the London Youth Games finals at Crystal Palace where they will represent Newham. Well done to all the children who have worked extremely hard to prepare for these events



Going for Gold

These pupils have been on Gold since 19th February 2018

- 6R: Precious Aikpokhalea, Joshua Antwi, Aeloniaeb Haben, Iris Joy, Generous Mutuc and Micaela Orduna
- 5L: Riame Bright, Sheriska Clarke, Lexy Mahile and Angela Ocampo
- 5K: John Wayne Carios, Amelia Gzrechula, Elliot Odoi and Immanuelle Wright
- 4B: Emmanuel Ddembe
- 4R: Tiffany Ade, Lyianna Bui-Marshall, Chidubem Ejike, Victoria Kajero and Armarni Ladega
- 3R: Daniel Durojaiye and Imani-Rae Nunes
- 3K: Daniel Kowalik
- 2A: Cruz Millington
- 2J: Joel Barona, Kayden Bayewunmi, Tara Butkute and Avani Ferrol
- 1K: Craig Fosu, Zion Iyamu, Axel Lascar Bahneanu, Daniella Mandla and Remi Nunes
- 1P: Chelsea Emenyonu
- RP: Antonella Depass, Perry Toku-Afriyre and Julia Wolanin
- RE: Alexis Aber Onity and Nwanneka Ilo

Well done