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Dear Parent/Carer,

We had our second live Google Meet session with the children and their current class teacher on Friday, 3rd July. I am aware that some of you had trouble logging on and I am sorry if you were not able to get your child to log on to the session. I know that was disappointing. We are working towards having these live sessions with teachers more accessible.

Matthew 11:25-30

The Father Revealed in the Son

²⁵ At that time Jesus said, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. ²⁶ Yes, Father, for this is what you were pleased to do.

²⁷ "All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸ "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

What is the yoke Jesus offers? We might surmise that it is his teaching, his way of discipleship, which is not difficult but life-giving. He invites the weary to learn from him, for he is not a tyrant who lords it over his disciples, but is "gentle and humble in heart." His yoke is easy and his burden is light.

It is not that Jesus invites us to a life of ease. Following him will be full of risks and challenges, as he has made abundantly clear. He calls us to a life of humble service, but it is a life of freedom and joy instead of slavery. It is life yoked to Jesus under God's gracious and merciful reign, free from the burden of sin and the need to prove oneself, free to rest deeply and securely in God's grace.

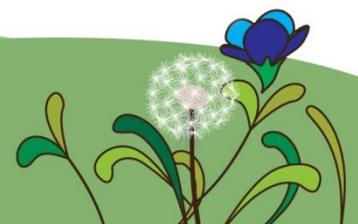
Relationship, Sex and Health Education (RSHE) Curriculum

As you may be aware, there is a new Relationship, Sex and Health Education (RSHE) curriculum that all schools will be required to implement by Summer 2021. We have begun to look at this curriculum and have attended training led by the Diocese of Brentwood about how to teach this new curriculum in St Francis'. The curriculum committee of the governing body has also approved a new RSHE policy. The new RSHE policy, information about our RSHE curriculum and guide for parents can be found on the website at <https://st-francis.newham.sch.uk/our-school/catholic-life/>

We have also recently sent out a consultation survey to give parents the opportunity to ask questions and give us some feedback.



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Headteacher: Ms Natasha Scott

There will also be an opportunity to discuss the new RSHE curriculum in a webinar with Mrs. Carter-Darby on Friday, 10th July at 10:00 and again at 2:00 pm. The information to join the meeting is below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88290951991?pwd=OGZWK2E4VWxoamd3Nit2RmN0d0dJZz09>

Meeting ID: 882 9095 1991

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Reports

As you know, at St Francis' we complete the detailed reports for children in the Spring term in order to give us a term to work closely with parents to support their child to achieve the end of year expectations. The teachers wrote these detailed reports in March, however due to Covid 19 we were unable to share them with parents. As a result, we will be sharing your child's report with you this year via Google Classroom. **The report will be posted on your child's Google Classroom on Friday, 10th July. The report will not be visible to other parents just to you and your child. If you have any questions about the report please send the class teacher a private message. Please see attached instructions on how to access the report.** The report will remain available until the start of the new academic year. If you would like to request a printed version of your child's report please do so by contacting the office in September.

We recognize that these reports were completed several months ago so may not reflect your child's current academic and social skills, however we will be working hard in September to ensure that all children catch up with their learning. We will send more information about how this will happen when we return in September.

Transition for 2019-2020

On Monday, 13th July 2020, we will have our class swap for all pupils. Below are the classes for the next academic year; **the classes will not be mixed for the next academic year due to the time that the children have been out of school during the lockdown.**

Current Class	New Class	Teacher(s)	Support staff
	Nursery	Ms Oteng Monday - Thursday Mrs Cockley - Friday	Ms Mostowa Mrs Impey (AM)
Nursery	Reception	Ms Emmanuel Monday - Wednesday Mrs Debernardis - Thursday - Friday Miss Edwards	Mrs Nicholls Mrs Peng
Reception P	Year 1K	Mr Kiernan	Mrs Kanapathy
1A 1J	Year 2J Year 2P	Mrs Jeganathan Mrs Paul	Mrs Kokas Mrs Byrne
2E 2K	Year 3L Year 3A	Miss Logan Miss Aidoo	Ms Hajat



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3E 3L	Year 4K Year 4A	Ms Keaney Ms Alexander	Mrs Zariat
4A 4L	Year 5B Year 5R	Mrs Baptiste Mr Reily	Mrs Cudjoe - (PM)
5B 5R	Year 6R Year 6G	Mrs Reid Mrs Guleroglu	

The children will have an opportunity to meet with their new teachers for the class swap on Monday, 13th July via Google Meet. The times of the live Google Meet sessions are below:

Time	Year Group
9:30	Year 4
10:00	Year 1
10:30	Year 2
11:00	Year 3
11:30	Year 5

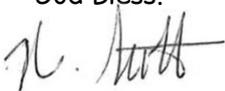
Finally, we would like to take this time to say thank you and good-bye to Mr Adams who will be leaving St Francis' to move to another city. We wish him the best of luck!

We also say good-bye to Miss Osei-Bordom. We wish her the best of luck in her career!

The children (Nursery to Year 6) return from the summer holidays on Wednesday, 2nd September. The children who are new to Nursery have been given a letter with their start date.

I pray that you all remain safe and well.

God Bless.



N. Scott
Head Teacher



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