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Dear Parent/Carer,

John 10:27-30

²⁷ My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸ I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹ My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all^[a]; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. ³⁰ I and the Father are one."

Jesus is our protector and Shepherd who guards and guides, who feeds and protects us from the dangers of life and defends us from anyone who tries to take us away from him. We are assured of this gift as we stay connected to hearing his voice.

Class Assemblies

We will celebrate the work that **2P** are doing in Religious Education with a class assembly on **Friday, 13th May 2022 at 9:05 am.**

We will celebrate the work that **Nursery** are doing in Religious Education with a class assembly on **Thursday, 19th May 2022 at 9:05 am.**

Parents of children in these classes are warmly welcomed to attend.

Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

As I am sure you are aware, we are marking a momentous occasion this year as we celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. As a result, we will have a variety of events over the next few weeks to learn more about Queen Elizabeth and celebrate this remarkable achievement.

Jubilee Homework

The children will complete a special Jubilee homework to create a portrait of the Queen. Children will then bring this into school on Tuesday, 24th May 2022. Teachers will post more about this on Google Classroom.

Classroom Activities

During the week beginning the 16th May children will have a History lesson about the Queen. They will also create personalized bunting to reflect the Queen's reign and contribution. This bunting will be displayed around the school.

Jubilee - Celebration Week

The week beginning 23rd May will be our Jubilee Celebration week which will culminate in a "street party" in the playground at lunchtime on Thursday, 26th May. The children will be provided with a packed



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lunch for the picnic. In addition, we will ask the children to come to school that day wearing, red, white and/or blue for a non-uniform day. The children can donate £1 for this day using ParentPay.

Jubilee Royal Bake Off

We are calling all bakers to take part in the St Francis' Jubilee Royal Bake off to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee! We are asking our talented parents to create a cake that they feel represents the Queen's 70 year reign.

Cakes would need to be in school on the morning of 27th May 2022. A full list of ingredients will be required for each entry and no cakes with nuts will be allowed.

There will be prizes for the best cakes chosen by the children! Please complete the form below if you would like to enter the St Francis' Jubilee Royal Bake Off by Monday, 16th May 2022.

<https://forms.gle/ayTB5uernu2E329i6>

PE Kit

The school's PE kit consists of:

- White polo shirt
- Navy shorts or navy joggers
- Plimsolls or black trainers in year 5 and 6

Cycling shorts or tights are not permitted.



Also available for the PE uniform is a PE sweatshirt this can be worn for outdoor PE and after school clubs. Children should not have PE lessons in their blazers or cardigans/jumpers. I would strongly encourage parents to invest in the PE sweatshirt.

Maths Market Week

During the week beginning, 23rd May, we will be holding our annual Maths Market Week. Throughout the week, the children will have the opportunity to be young entrepreneurs by developing a business plan for a product/service they would like to sell. The products this year will have a special royal theme to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee. **There will also be an opportunity for you to purchase the items that the children have made on our Market Day, Friday 27th May 2022 from 2:15 - 3:15.**



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Cycle Safety

The London Borough of Newham is committed to making cycling a safe, enjoyable and practical method of transport in the borough. Anybody who lives, works or studies in the borough is entitled to the following free services:

<https://www.cycleconfident.com/sponsors/newham/>

Free School Meals

Please check to see if your child is eligible for free school meals, eligible children may receive holiday vouchers to support with food purchase during holiday times. Please check to see if your child is qualified <https://www.newham.gov.uk/schools-education/free-school-meals/2>.

School Uniform

Just a reminder that we no longer have a separate summer uniform. Please note the school uniform expectations on the school's website <https://st-francis.newham.sch.uk/parents-carers/school-uniform/>

Queen's Platinum Jubilee

As I am sure you are aware, we are celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee this year. In honour of this, there are two bank holidays on the 2nd and 3rd June (during the school's half term break). As a result, schools have been asked to set aside an additional day in their school calendar for this additional bank holiday; **therefore, on Monday, 6th June the school will be closed for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We will reopen on Tuesday, 7th June 2022.**

Coronavirus Update

From 1st April the Coronavirus guidance changed. Please check the NHS website for the most up to date guidance.

While you're no longer legally required to self-isolate if you have COVID-19, you should try to stay at home and away from others to avoid passing on the virus.

How long to stay at home and away from others if you've tested positive for COVID-19?

If you have COVID-19, you can pass on the virus to other people for up to 10 days from when your infection starts. Many people will no longer be infectious to others after 5 days.

You should:

- try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days
- avoiding meeting [people at higher risk from COVID-19](#) for 10 days, especially if their immune system means they're at higher risk of serious illness from COVID-19, even if they've had a COVID-19 vaccine

This starts from the day after you did the test.

If you have symptoms of COVID-19, and a high temperature or do not feel well enough to go to work or do your normal activities

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You can go back to your normal activities if you:

- feel well enough to do so
- do not have a high temperature

God Bless,



N. Scott
Head Teacher



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