

St. Francis' Catholic Primary Newsletter



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Holy Week Assemblies and Easter Cantata

As it is tradition at St Francis', every year children in KS2 tell us the story of Easter through assemblies where they use drama and song to pass on such an important message to all of us.

This year this was made extra special as a group of children took part in the Easter Cantata which apart from beautiful singing also featured some poetry written by the children themselves.

On the younger side of the school, Year 1 performed their Easter play and were brilliant at it as well.



Important Dates

Monday 8th April 2024
Back to school day

**Wednesday 17th April and
Thursday 18th April 2024**
Y1- Y6 Parents' conferences

Thursday 25th April 2024
1K class assembly

Thursday 9th May 2024
Ascension Day Mass

Friday 10th May 2024
Maths Day

WB 13th May 2024
Y6 SATs Week

Thursday 16th May 2024
1J class assembly

Thursday 23rd May 2024
Reception D class assembly

Friday 24th May 2024
Last day of term

Monday 3rd June 2024
Back to school

World Book Day

This year we celebrated our love of reading in a new way: we celebrated poetry! Children wrote and performed their own poems which they shared with their class and the adults played the masked reader to see if children could guess who

the person reading the poem behind the mask was. They were pretty accurate in their guesses.

As is tradition, we had a class story swap and class café where we enjoyed a cup of hot chocolate and biscuits while we read our favourite books.



Sustrans Walk and wheel

St Francis' pupils took part in the Big Walk and Wheel week this March. This is the UK's largest walking, wheeling, scooting and cycling challenge. It inspires pupils to make active journeys to school, improve air quality in their neighbourhoods and discover how these changes benefit their world.

On each day of the challenge schools competed to see who could record the greatest number of pupils walking, using a wheelchair, scooting or cycling to school. Once the final positions are agreed and the schools at the top of their leaderboards identified, they will receive an exclusive Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel certificate.

Watch this space to see how St Francis' did!



How to build a good online reputation

The things online that you have liked, shared and commented on, as well as what others have shared about you, may shape what other people think about you; this is your online reputation.

How to help your child:



Encourage them to keep it positive online



Make sure they know how to report abuse



Encourage them to do a search on their name



Highlight the importance of choosing respect

And always be the example they can follow.

Going for Gold

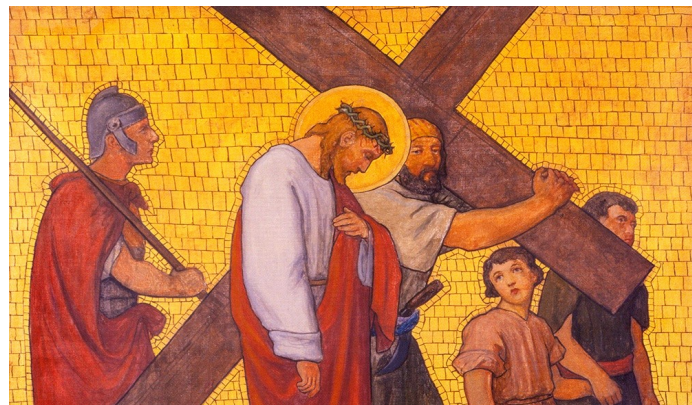
To all pupils who have been on Gold since

19th February 2024

Well Done!



Stations of the Cross



On Friday 1st March 2024, the children of St Francis' had the privilege of leading a Stations of the Cross service at St Francis' Catholic Church in Stratford.

They solemnly and very maturely rose to the challenge with beautiful hymns and readings to lead the congregation.

All parishioners in attendance complimented them on such a beautiful service at the end.

Attendance for the this half term:

Gold: 3P-99.07%
Silver: 6K-99%
Bronze: 1J-98.81%



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.

Debate Club



This term the debate team participated in the first round of the Newham Debate League, where they won one of the two rounds in the competition.

They will continue to participate in the scheduled competition until the end of the school year. We wish them all the best.