



Catholic Life and Collective Worship

Yesterday in worship, we explored John's Gospel reading of Jesus referring to himself as the vine and us as the branches.

We discussed how connecting with Jesus is important so that we can learn from him, grow and then develop into well-rounded human beings – just like the grapes on the vine. We

looked at different ways of connecting with Jesus, in particular prayer. We took time to pray silently in our own heads and then we prayed together. We set our mission for the week – to be with Jesus and find time to pray to him anywhere.



Buddies Family Mass

On Sunday, 19th May at 11am, Y6 children and FS2 children along with their families are invited to take part in our Buddies Family Mass. This is always a lovely occasion in which the children lead the readings and prayers and choose the hymns themselves. A form will be coming out soon to notify us of your attendance so that we can make sure that every child has a role.

Y3 Class Mass

This Wednesday, Y3 will lead their class Mass in church at 9:30am with the rest of the parish. Everyone is very welcome to join them.



COMING UP SOON...

Monday 6th May
School CLOSED for
Bank Holiday

Friday 10th May
EYFS trip to Nell Bank

Monday 13th May – Thurs 16th May
Y6 SATS exams

**FULL TIME (30 HOURS
PER WEEK) PLACES FOR
FAMILIES WHO ARE
ELIGIBLE**

**NURSERY
PLACES
AVAILABLE**
For September 2024

**Part time places
(mornings/afternoons)
also available**

Please contact the
office for more
information

Together we are exploring our special gifts; Together we are growing towards God

CONGRATULATIONS to Alyssa in Y2 for receiving Mrs Haines' Headteacher Award for being our sassy little star! Alyssa always shows great enthusiasm for learning. She puts 100% effort into everything and particularly in her writing at the moment.



CONGRATULATIONS to Joseph in Y2 for receiving the Big Cat Reading Award for being a super star reader! He works hard on all his reading and always makes sure he brings his book to school. We can't wait to see him continue this fab reading. Well done Joseph!



WELL DONE to all our Class Merit Winners last week

FS1: Freddie

FS2: Naomi

Y1: Noah & Zakariyah

Y2: Phoebe

Y3: Grace K

Y4: Nikhil

Y5: Jack

Y6: Blake & Mason



Diary Dates

Day	Date	Time	Year Group	Event
Monday	6th May	All day	All	SCHOOL CLOSED (Bank holiday)
Monday	13th May	Mon-Thurs	Y6	SATS exams
Sunday	19th May	11am	FS2/Y6	Buddies' Family Mass in church
Thursday	23rd May	9am	FS1-Y6	Performance Poetry
Friday	24th May	All day	All	Community Day
Friday	24th May	N/A	All	Break up for half term
Monday	10th June	N/A	All	Back to school

Little Free Library

This is brand new to our school community and can be found by the amphitheatre area. Set up by Miss Britz and her Reading Ambassadors, the Little Free Library is for children and adults in our school community. Please take and keep the books to read but also please leave a book or two for others to read. We don't want our Little Free Library to ever be empty!



School Kitchen Italian Day!!

On Thursday, 16th May, our very talented chefs will be preparing our delicious school dinners with an Italian theme. Pizza will of course be on the menu and there will be the return of the ice cream stall with all the toppings! Make sure your child gets a school dinner so that they don't miss out on all the gelato treats!



Save the Date!

Mrs Setchell, our Outdoor and Adventure Leader, is currently organising a **St Francis Community day** on Friday 24th May – the last day of term. We invite all parents/carers and families to come in on that day and spend time with your children in our vast grounds to work together to help improve them in many different ways. If you have skills you could put to good use, are a little green fingered or simply want to come along and be part of the day and soak up the atmosphere, it would be great to see you there. Please see the poster below for more information.

Closer to the time, we will send out a form to register your attendance and an option to let us know what you could lend a hand to, if you are able to.

LAST WEEK IN SCHOOL...

Y5 Come Dine With Me

Thank you to everyone who came along to this event. It was great to have you all in school dining with your children and observing them in lessons. We hope you enjoyed it!



Parent/Carer Support Group

About Us:

The Parent Support Group is an online support group, facilitated by NHS mental health practitioners. The group is a safe space for parents to get together, share their experiences and build positive relationships. A different subject is discussed each month and parents will receive useful information and strategies around the chosen monthly topic. For an invite, please email: mhstparentsupport@bdct.onmicrosoft.com

Next Parents Support Group details: Tuesday 21st May 2024

Topic: "Supporting your child: Anger & Frustration".

BRADFORD AND CRAVEN
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Parent/Carer Support Group

Supporting Emotional and Mental Health



Tuesday
21st May



10:30am or
7:30pm



Held on Zoom
Please email the
address below

THIS MONTHS TOPIC: SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD: ANGER AND FRUSTRATION



In this months Parent Support Group, we will be discussing supporting children and young people when they experience anger and frustration. Within the session, we will think about helpful strategies that can be used to support with these feelings.

✉ mhstparentsupport@bdct.onmicrosoft.com



New Scooters

A huge thank you to the PFA for buying 4 scooters for our children to play on during break times and outdoor learning, they are proving a great hit!



ST FRANCIS' COMMUNITY DAY

FRIDAY 24TH MAY

**Bacon sarnies
supplied by
the PFA!**



**Bouncy castle
supplied by the
PFA!**



Our new outdoor and adventure curriculum is really taking off but we want to make our facilities even better. But we need your help! If you would like to spend quality time with your child/ren whilst helping to make our vast grounds even better, come and join us for our community day where you and your child/ren can help make the grounds even better. Everyone can enjoy a picnic (weather permitting) and the kids can enjoy a 'bounce'. It would be great to see you there!



Building a greenhouse/bug house/
storage cupboard/wood store

Litter picking



Pruning bushes

Digging flower beds



Creating a 'diggerland'

Fixing/painting fences



Install water butts

