

Message from Mrs Millsop:

This week has been unexpectedly short with the Bank Holiday for HM The Queen's funeral. Staff have taken time to listen to the children's reactions and responses to a unique historical event in our country's history.

We take every opportunity to enhance children's learning and to ensure that the curriculum is matched to the needs of children. Staff lead different areas of the curriculum and teachers meet each week to receive training from leaders about updates in different areas of learning. As a whole staff we have accessed online training to update our knowledge about phonics to make sure our teaching is as up to date and fresh as possible. As a result of this, we have adopted a new phonics scheme as a school. We have invested thousand of pounds into reading books to support early reading as well as ensuring that the reading books in KS2 are exciting, broad and varied. Reading has the highest priority in school and we are grateful for the overwhelming effort and support parents put into the development of this skill at home. We look forward to celebrating children achieving 25 reads in celebration assembly very soon!

Upcoming Dates:

• W/C 26th September

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T Violins for Y4

W Violins for Y4. Deadline to sign up for Young Voices Choir. First Young Voices audience ticket cut off.

Th Non uniform Day

F Swimming for Y4

• W/C 3rd October

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T Violins for Y4

W Violins for Y4

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F Deadline for Circus Art Competition. Swimming for Y4.

Sunday—THE CIRCUS

• W/C 10th October

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T Violins for Y4

W Violin for Y4

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F Swimming for Y4

News

Years 4-6 Young Voices Choir: Please read the letter sent via ParentApp about our upcoming visit to Birmingham to be a part of the 2023 Young Voices Choir. Limited places. Children will be told in assembly this week. Be part of the world's largest choir!!

Open Morning:

We are holding an Open morning on **Saturday 15th October** for prospective Reception and Nursery parents whose children will be starting in September 2023. School will be open for prospective parents from 10.00 am—12.00 pm.

PTFA Events:

The Circus is coming to St Francis on **Sunday 9th October!** Tickets are available on ParentPay.

Non-Uniform Day and Art Competition

Details have been shared on PA Connect. Please check these messages from the PTF

INSET = School closed: 21.10.22 & 16.11.22

Values: COMPASSION

This week we have continued to reflect on the life of Queen Elizabeth II and how as monarch she showed kindness, compassion and respect. In KS1 the children talked about trying to show compassion even when you are busy. Reverend Adams joined KS2 this week to talk about the Queen and how she was able to show compassion to all.