# ST FRANCIS' CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2018

### A Heartfelt Thank You

Thank you very much to Amanda, Bernadette, Miranda, Vicki, Alison, Leila, Julie, Carolyn, Lyndsey, Clare, Abigail, Caroline, Sam, Amy, Andrea, Ruth, Lucy, Amy, Maria, Molly, Shelley, Joanne, Chris, Faye, Tom, Chris, Eddy(providing a tractor, trailer and driving a float), Nina (who also provided a trailer), Dave (driving and lending us the tractor), Mr and Mrs Fletcher (for letting us use their barn), Thomas, James, Charlotte, Thomas, Ethan, Ryan, Jacob and everyone who helped create the most outstanding floats for our Goosnargh Festival. Hours and days have been spent on the floats. It is greatly appreciated.

Amanda, as always, has led a team of parent, children and community helpers with incredible creativity and the success of the two floats would not have been possible without the team of people mentioned above.

Thank you so much for your continued support and for giving your time so freely. Congratulations team on being placed 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> for our amazing floats.



#### Mayor visit and community party outside

Thank you to all who donated cakes and refreshments for our official opening of 'The Land of Pure Imagination'

We had a wonderful afternoon together and we even featured on BBC North West!



# NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOMS!

**<u>PRE-SCHOOL</u>** are learning all about farms.

**<u>PENDLE</u>** are learning about oceans and sea creatures.

**<u>PARLICK</u>** will be learning about the seaside.

**FAIRSNAPE** class are learning about the local area.

**BEACON** class are working with Goosnargh and Whittingham Heritage Group and are joining with other schools for an exciting project. They are also preparing for their play 'Pirates of the Curry Bean!'

Have a look on our school website to see what your child has been learning on each class page. <u>They are full of information for you.</u>

#### Summer Club

Unfortunately, we are unable to provide a Summer Club this year. We had very little demand for this service. We do hope that this is something we will be able to provide for you in the near future. Thank you to all who responded. If any of you need wrap around child care in the holidays, The Little People at The Limes (in Longridge) offers this service to children of school age. We hope this is helpful.

	Dates for your Diaries!	
6 <sup>th</sup> June:	Year 2 trip with our small school cluster-Feeding the 5000.	
8 <sup>th</sup> June:	CAFOD assembly with visitor for children-no Golden assembly.	
10 <sup>th</sup> June:	First Holy Communion in church at 10.30am and Family Mass-all welcome!	
11 <sup>th</sup> June:	Tower Wood trip begins for Beacon Class	
14 <sup>th</sup> June:	PTFA Quiz night 6.00pm-7.30pm at Whittingham Club.	
18 <sup>th</sup> June:	Author Visit Assembly	
19 <sup>th</sup> June:	Year 3 at WW1 day at Barnacre Rd School	
	Induction Evening for parents of new starters at 5.00pm in the school hall.	
22 <sup>nd</sup> June:	1.30pm St.Francis' Got Talent Show-please provide own costumes, props, music etc. Glee club performing.	
26 <sup>th</sup> June:	Confirmation in church at 6.30pm	
28 <sup>th</sup> June:	Induction Evening at OLCHS	
29 <sup>th</sup> June:	Induction day for children starting at St. Cecilia's.	
	10.00am St.Peter and St.Paul Mass in church-all welcome!	
2 <sup>nd</sup> July:	OLCHS Induction day for new starters	
4 <sup>th</sup> July:	Sports Day 1.30pm-all welcome!	
6 <sup>th</sup> July:	9.30am-11.30am New Reception starters Stay and Play session and whole school moving up morning.	
	PTFA Summer Social on the school playground 6.00pm-all welcome!	
9 <sup>th</sup> July:	9.10am Pre-School assembly	
11 <sup>th</sup> July:	Beacon Class Play 2.00pm and 6.00pm in the school hall-all welcome!	
12 <sup>th</sup> July:	Pre-School Sports Day 9.15am	
13 <sup>th</sup> July:	9.30am-11.30am New Reception starters Stay and Play session and whole school moving up morning.	
	School Reports send home.	
16 <sup>th</sup> July:	11.00am Year 6 Mass	
20 <sup>th</sup> July:	9.15am Year 6 Assembly. Break up at 1.30pm for Summer Holidays.	

# School Minibus

We are very excited to have purchased a school minibus. This will enable us to take your children to many more sporting events, trips and visits to work alongside other schools. As you know, staff currently use their own cars to transport children to events and this means that at least 40% of staff must be absent from school to take children to events. Obviously, this is not sustainable and it means that we have to be incredibly selective of which competitions we join in with and which events we can or can't take part in. Being a small school does not hinder us and we excel at competitive sports, music performances and drama. There are many more events we could be a part of-with a much wider variety of activities.

We do not want your children to miss out on any more events and the purchase will enable every single year group to go on more varied and curriculum specific trips. Every separate year group has its own curriculum content to be explored and we will be able to take individual year groups on trips for their essential skills development.

We will also be able to take UFA groups out of school to engage in an exciting variety of extra-curricular learning!

New	Faces Around
	<u>School</u>

We welcome Mrs Jones to our lunch time welfare team and we also welcome Mrs Ahmed to Beacon Class. She joins us from The University of Cumbria.

#### **A Polite Notice**

Please ensure children do not go on the school field before or after school to play football or use equipment. We have had accidents in the past and ask that you help us to keep each other safe.

# Breakfast and After School Club Vacancy for September 2018

Please contact school if you are interested in working in our Breakfast and After School Club. The post will be available from September 2018. Hours are as follows:

Breakfast club: 7.45am-8.55am

After School Club: 3.20pm-6.00pm