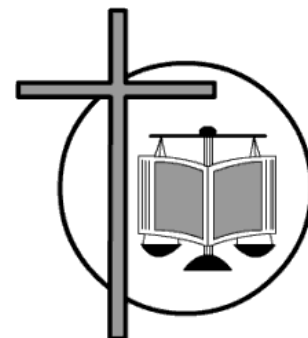


ST FRANCIS DE SALES CATHOLIC INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

"We walk, learn, love and smile together with Jesus"



Friday 3rd May



"Attend today and achieve tomorrow"
Our target for attendance is 97%

Summer 1	08- Apr	15- Apr	22- Apr	29- Apr
Reception	90.5	91.5	94.5	96.4
Year 1	90.5	95.9	96.1	95.7
Year 2	93.6	95.9	93.3	98.1
Total	92.05	95.9	95.7	96.9
Rolling %	95.7	95.7	95.7	95.7

Our attendance has really picked up this week – well done everyone! Particularly well done to:

**Aspen 100% and Holly !00%,
Laurel 99.6%
Hazel 98.3%, Oak 98%, Elm 98.3% and Sycamore 98.1%**

The summer attendance initiative started this week and the children are all excited for our fun afternoon and the chance to win £50! Remember, you have to be in to win!

We're **WHEELIE** excited about wheels!
Starting 1st May-24th May 2024

Wheelie Day for all children who receive **97%+** attendance.

If your class reaches **96%+** attendance, the class will receive afternoon tea.

Chance to win **£50** if you have **100%** attendance!
Every week your child receives **100%** attendance, your child's name will go in to the raffle. The more tickets your child has, the more chance they have of winning!

Bank Holiday Monday

School is closed next Monday, 6th May. We will be open again on Tuesday 7th May.

Sports Week

Sports week will be held on the week beginning 24th June (weather permitting!)

Tuesday 25th June - Reception sports day Elm and Sycamore- morning, Aspen and Cedar-afternoon
Wednesday 26th June - Acorns sports day
Thursday 27th June - Year 1 sports day Laurel and Maple- morning, Ash and Willow-afternoon
Friday 28th June -Year 2 sports day Oak and Hazel- morning, Holly and Silver Birch-afternoon

As things do occasionally crop up, these times might change.

Each class will have a one-hour slot on their year group day. **It is a really tight schedule so as to fit everyone in. It is important to be on time for your child's slot as we need to lock the gates for safeguarding.**

Safety on the playground before and after school

There have been an increasing number of incidents where children have wandered away from their parents, after being collected, on the playground after school, and on one occasion a child had been left on the playground. Please supervise your child at all times when they are on school grounds.

There have also been incidents with children on bikes and scooters, where there have been a few near misses. Again, please supervise your child and remind them not to ride their bike/scooter on the playground; the mile track is available after school if the children would like to ride their bikes (supervised).

Please also be aware that ALL play equipment is out of bounds at the beginning and end of the school day and children are NOT to play on it. This includes the Reception and Nursery playgrounds.

Thank you for your co-operation. If children continue to be unsupervised, we will have to ask parents/carers to leave the playground immediately on collecting the children and gates will be locked.

School Meals

We are on week 5 of our Summer 1 menu: <https://www.stfrancisdesalesinfants.org.uk/parents/lunchtime>

If you would prefer to provide your child with a packed lunch we do ask that it is healthy and does not contain fizzy drinks, chocolates or sweets.

We are a nut free school, as we have children and staff with allergies and some of these are severe. Please make sure that your child does not bring any nut-based items.

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Mrs Melia

Dates for your diary:

6th May- Bank Holiday- School closed

16th May- Reception minibeast visit

21st May- Year 2 trip to Formby Woods and Crosby Beach

22nd May-- Acorns trip to the Sensory Hive

Friday 24th May- Wheelie Fun Day/Attendance assembly. Last day of half term.

Monday 27th May – Friday 7th June school closed for half term break

Monday 7th June- children return to school

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Dates may change due to unforeseen circumstances.

Recycle to Read Batteries Collection- reminder

A reminder that our school is recycling batteries to protect the planet (and for a chance to win book vouchers for the school).

How can you help?

1. Hunt out used batteries at home. We are collecting AA, AAA, C, D, 9V and button batteries.
2. Tape over the contacts of lithium (Li) and button batteries (see below)
3. Put them in a tied plastic bag (preferably reused)
4. Take them to the school's collection point in the front office, or hand them to your child's teacher

5. Enter the prize draw at jointhepod.org/win

Safety first:

Not only is storing and recycling batteries safely great for the environment, it can also help reduce risks associated with batteries:

- Batteries can cause serious injury or death if swallowed, please keep batteries out of reach of small children and pets.
- Lithium and button batteries need to be taped so their contacts don't touch, as they could short circuit if they do.

Use sticky tape over the contacts (top and bottom of batteries). Button batteries can be placed in a line between two sections of sticky tape. Lithium batteries can look like any battery, but they will have lithium (Li) written on them.

Many thanks for your support and happy battery hunting!

To find out more, head to: jointhepod.org/batteries