



Monday 11th December 2023  
No 12

## Prayer Corner

*Dear God,  
Thank you for the  
hope you bring  
to our lives.  
Help us to bring  
hope to others  
as we journey  
through Advent.  
Amen.*



## RE Reflection of the Week

*"Hope is a strength,  
a grace and a gift  
from God. Advent  
increases our hope."*

*Pope Francis.*



### KS1 Book Bags

To prevent damage to the children's school books, please ensure the bag they use for school is big enough to hold an A4 book. Book bags can be purchased from the APT shop in Peckham (opposite Primark)

# St Francis' News Brother, Sister Let Me Serve You.

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## Advent 2023

### KS1 Nativity

Our younger children performed to parents, family members, staff and Governors last week.

There were a few nerves but they soon melted away and they delivered their lines and carols with confidence.

A huge thank you to Miss Jones, Miss Ables, Miss Finbow and all the staff behind the scenes for making it happen!!



### Christmas Fair

Smiling faces, laughter and friendship was in the air at the Christmas Fair last week.

The children, parents and families had a lovely time and lots of fun was had by all.

Thank you to the Friends of St. Francis and all our staff for helping make the afternoon a great success.

### Peckham Library

#### Summer Reading Challenge

Congratulations to all the children that took part in the challenge. They received a special certificate on Friday from a representative of Peckham Library.

Keep on Reading!!

### Admission Policy Consultation

The Governors of St Francis R.C Primary School would like to give notice of proposed changes on our Admissions Policy which will apply from 2025/2026 academic year and thereafter, subject to any further consultation.

Please refer to the school website for more information.

### Posada

Each class has a Posada bag containing a Mary, Joseph and a donkey figurine.

If your child brings home the Posada bag during advent please help them by following the instructions inside the bag. There is a diary for your child to make a record of the 'visit' or to write a prayer.  
Thank you.



	<b>Merits</b>		<b>Star of the Week</b>
Love: Nursery	Keioni	Aiden	Grace
Joy: Reception	Melanie	Gloria	Emmanuel K
Honesty: Year 1	Hannah	Mateo	J'Xyzla-Reign
Gratitude: Year 2	Ana-Lucia	Edwin	David B
Hope: Year 3	Camila	Naomy	JB
Generosity: Year 3/4	Samantha	Sidney	Dilam
Justice: Year 4	Saudatu	Rydell	Elijah
Tolerance: Year 5	Santi	Ninosare	Prudence
Courage: Year 5/6	Nicole	Moses	Adetomiwa
Wisdom: Year 6	A'Jay	Esther	Emily

## House Points

House	Points
St. Francis	50
St. Claire	40
St. Mary	50
St. Joseph	130

## Winning House of the Week



## Diary Dates

### Friday 15th December

Greenwich Observatory  
Tolerance Class

### Monday 18th December

Children's Christmas Disco

### Tuesday 19th December

Christmas Jumper Day

**School closes at 2pm**  
**Please collect your child**  
**on time.**

*Merry Christmas*

## Christmas Holiday 2023

Wednesday 20th  
December -  
Sunday 7th January  
2024

**School reopens on**  
**Monday 8th**  
**January 2024**



## INSET DAYS

**Wednesday 20th December**  
**Monday 3rd June 2024**  
**1 more day tbc**

### Snacks & Packed Lunches

Health & Safety: Reminder to  
Parents & Carers, packed lunches &  
snacks

### MUST NOT

contain any type of peanuts, tree nuts  
or sesame seeds such as cereal bars,  
peanut butter, Nutella etc due to some  
children having a severe nut allergy.

Thank you for your  
cooperation.



### 'GDPR :

Whenever we process (staff,  
parents and pupil)  
data, we need to comply  
with GDPR.

For more information on how we  
process data, check on our website  
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## **Christmas Events**

### **Tuesday 5th December**

*KS1 Christmas Performance*

*2.30pm*

### **Wednesday 6th December**

*KS1 Christmas Performance*

*2.30pm*

### **Friday 8th December**

*Christmas Fair*

*(More details to follow)*

### **Monday 11th December**

*Beauty & the Beast Pantomime*

*(on site for children only)*

### **Tuesday 12th December**

*KS2 Christmas Performance*

*2.30pm*

### **Wednesday 13th December**

*KS2 Christmas Performance*

*2.30pm*

### **Thursday 14th December**

*EYFS Carol Concert 9.15am—9.45am*

### **Friday 15th December**

*Upper KS2 Carol Concert 3.15pm—3.45pm*

### **Tuesday 19th December**

*Christmas Jumper Day*

*Children's Christmas Lunch*

***School Closes at 2pm***