

St Francis Catholic Primary School Morley



Friday 6th February
2026

Spring Term 1, week 5
Virtue: Simplicity

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Weekly News

Headteacher's Welcome

Well done to our Year 5 children who played 7 games of Dodgeball on Thursday night! They showed brilliant team work and resilience—very much looking forward to planning their sports leaders activities for lunchtimes, I think dodgeball will be top of their leading activities!



Last week as part of our PSHE curriculum linked to aspirations, we welcomed Tom, a Leeds Rhino player who visited each class for a question & answer session and spoke of his journey into a career into professional sports.

A reminder that Mrs Pearson has been busy organising NSPCC number day which is next Friday 13th February. Children are invited to dress in a number themed 'costume' for the day, donations of £1 will go to NSPCC fundraising campaigns for children across our locality and nationally.

Years 5&6 had a special assembly on Thursday delivered by Kooth ahead of a Children's mental health week, which we will be celebrating in school next week. Our Years 2, 4 & 5 children also enjoyed their STEM robotics workshops this week linked to our DT CAD curriculum.



Thank you to our Mini Vinnies and Miss Goodall for representing school at the Catholic partnership Mini Vinnie Mass. Well done to Francis for excellent proclamation for his reading too!

Don't forget we have our two PTA disco's next week on Thursday & Friday - tickets are on sale!

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.
See you on Monday!
Mrs Gibbons

Time for a Spring clear out??

Mrs Iddison and Stewards of Creation are organising a fancy dress swap the week before World Book Day. Please see the poster for details.



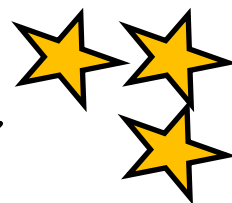
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Dates for your diary:

Year 6 residential	9th—11th Feb
Online safety day	10th Feb
Cafod assemblies & workshops	12th Feb
PTA event: EYFS / KS1 disco	12th Feb
NSPCC number day* Date change!	13th Feb
Celebration assembly, parents welcome, 3pm	13th Feb
End of Spring 1 half term, 3:30pm	13th Feb
PTA event KS2 silent disco	13th Feb
Ash Wednesday	18th Feb
School opens for Spring 2 half term	23rd Feb
8:45am Nursery, 8:50am R-Y6	
Year 1 leading Lenten toast selling, 20p slice	23rd – 26th Feb
Stay & learn - Maths session to 9:30am	24th Feb
EYFS / KS1 Live Music workshop	24th Feb

Celebration certificates

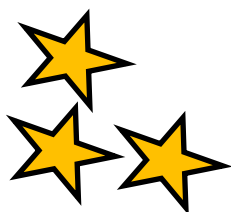


Celebration certificates	
Reception	Archie
Year 1	Elisha
Year 2	Bethel
Year 3	Oliver
Year 4	Ayla
Year 5	Nia
Year 6	Oliver & Harry Fo

School attendance this week:
96.5%

Classes with the best attendance this week is:
Year 2—with 100%! Well done children!

Virtue certificate	
Reception	Arthur
Year 1	Adejimi
Year 2	Shantelle
Year 3	Millie
Year 4	Ezekiel
Year 5	Hunter
Year 6	William



Stewards of Creation appeal...

Mrs Iddison & the stewards of creation are completing their annual recycle mission, any tubs to donate, please drop into the school office.

Do you have any items that could help us?

We are looking for some items that could really help our Early Years and Key Stage 1 areas of provision. We are seeking:

- bike helmets
- Dominoes
- The large cable wheels
- Craft items such as: bottle corks, milk bottle lids, buttons, ribbons, thick wool etc,
- Wicker style baskets
- Small wooden logs & blocks
- Plastic animals
- Cooking utensils, pans, trays, bowls

If you are able to donate any items, please drop them into the main office. Thank you so much for all your continued support, we really do appreciate it.

Lower Key Stage 2

In Year 3, we have enjoyed learning about the process of fossilisation through a practical activity using bread, toy animals and biscuits!



This week in Year 4, we went to compete at the skipping competition at Mount St Mary's with three other schools. Unfortunately, we didn't get to the final, but the children showed great teamwork and sportsmanship. Well done



Upper Key Stage 2

In Year 5, we have made our wire sculptures in art. We have spent lots of time working with wire to understand how best to manipulate it and mould into our rainforest leaves and plants. Well done Year 5!



In Year 6 this week we have explored the painting skill of impasto, inspired by Vincent van



Gough. We will now use this as inspiration to plan our final pieces.

Supporting our families ~ let us know if you would like to find out a little more about any of the following...

Range of Cluster family support available ~ please contact Mrs Gibbons / Mrs Harrison for more information.

Feeling frustrated by your child's behaviour and looking for support?

PARENT & CARER WORKSHOP

Find strategies to help you understand and support your child's behaviour

- Find out where behaviour comes from
- Get everyone in the family talking and listening to each other
- Understand why your child gets angry or upset and how to help them calm down
- Learn how your body language can help calm difficult situations
- Find strategies to change patterns of behaviour
- Get ideas and inspiration to try at home

Date: Thursday 5th March 2026
 Time: 9:30-12:00
 Location: Cluster Office, Churwell Primary School.
 Contact: Sarah 07891276155 or Ruth 07891275543

Healthy Families: Growing Up

Join our Parent Support group

Healthy, thriving children and families

HENRY'S free Healthy Families: Growing Up programme is for parents and carers of primary-school age children - it will help you develop a healthier, happier lifestyle that the whole family can enjoy.

"The last (best) thing I could possibly wish for my kids is a better mum!"

The programme covers three 5 themes across 6 weeks and provides everything you need to help your children flourish.

- Feeding scores confident as a parent
- Physical activity for the whole family
- What children and the whole family eats
- Family therapy skills
- Enjoying life as a family

Get 4-FOCs for 50% off AND!

Programme details
 Date: Tuesday 19th February - Tuesday 23rd March 2026 - 9.30-11.30am
 Location: Churwell Primary School, Woodhead Stn, Churwell, LS27 7NS

Contact Us
 Contact info: Sarah 07891275543 & Ruth 07891275543

Does you struggle to manage / support your child with neurodiversity?
 Cynetnet course may be helpful – contact Mrs Gibbons or Mrs Harrison for more details.

Parent or carer looking to get back into work?

Our friendly team can help you achieve your goals towards work or training.

BRIGHT HORIZONS

We offer free one to one support and guidance for parents and carers on:

- CV building
- Work, training & volunteering
- Health and wellbeing
- Support and help with money issues
- Up to 12 weeks counselling and peer support groups
- Life skills

Eligibility criteria
 Bright Horizons is available to parents and carers who are:
 • not currently in employment,
 • living in West or South Leicestershire.

Parents of children under the age of 16 are not eligible for this service.

Get in touch
 To refer in or for more details please contact us:
 West Office: 011 2796 800
 South: 011 2796 800
 BrightHorizons@leicestershire.gov.uk

Bright Horizons is funded by the National Lottery Community Fund and is delivered by a partnership of Leicestershire Leicesters and Lincolnshire LFL.

What our students think about our service

Does your child struggle to have a good night's sleep or you would like help introducing a routine?
Cynet Sleep- this is a 2 hour session looking at healthy sleep routines.
 Our next course will be held on Thursday 19th March 9:30-11:30.

Vacancy

We currently have a Vacancy for an teaching & admin assistant, more details can be found on our School website via the 'vacancies' tab.

Closing date for applications: Monday 9th February 2026, 9am

Academic Calendar 2025-26

End of half term *Friday 13th February*

Start of Spring 2 half *Monday 23rd February*

End of Spring term **Thursday 2nd April**

Start of Summer term **Monday 20th April 2026**

May Day bank holiday ~ *Monday 4th May 2026*
School closed

End of half term *Friday 22nd May*

Start of Summer 2 half **Monday 1st June**

End of academic year *Friday 17th July*

Academic Calendar 2026-27

Start of Autumn 2026 *Wednesday 2nd Sept 26*

School dinner menu - Spring Term

Dinner menus are based on a 3-week cycle. Next week's menu (week 3) is listed below. If your child is in Nursery dinner costs £2.80 per day or if they are in Key Stage 2 (Years 3-6) dinners cost £3 per day.

MIGHTY MEALS MENU 25/26

Great school lunches designed to help young people grow and thrive in everything they do! Seasonal vegetables are provided with all meals or children can opt out for our 'Pick Your Own' salad bar.

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5 CHOICE STANDARD WEEK THREE

W/C 17/1/25, 08/12/25, 19/01/26, 09/02/26

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
<p>Look out for why our MIGHTY MENUS are the best choice at lunchtime!</p> <p>Cook's special Our cooks have chosen meals they know children will eat and enjoy.</p> <p>World wide Dishes from around the world to develop children's tastes.</p> <p>Brain boosting Protein packed dishes to support learning.</p> <p>High 5 Fresh fruit and veg to help your child reach the magic 5 portions a day.</p> <p>Planet power Vegetarian and vegan meals that are good for children and the planet.</p> <p>Eat a rainbow Desserts that contain a variety of fresh fruits.</p>	<p style="color: purple; font-weight: bold;">TASTY!</p> <p style="color: red; font-weight: bold; border: 1px solid red; border-radius: 50%; padding: 2px;">Mains</p> <p style="color: green; font-weight: bold;">Meat Free</p> <p style="color: orange; font-weight: bold; border: 1px solid orange; border-radius: 50%; padding: 2px;">Deli</p> <p style="color: purple; font-weight: bold; border: 1px solid purple; border-radius: 50%; padding: 2px;">Spud Station</p> <p style="color: red; font-weight: bold; border: 1px solid red; border-radius: 50%; padding: 2px;">Desserts</p> <p style="color: purple; font-weight: bold;">WOW!</p>	<p>Cheesy Bean Filled Tortilla Wrap (V)(H) Homemade Jacket Wedges, Carrots & Peas</p> <p>Spaghetti Topped with a Vegetarian Bolognese Sauce (VE)(H) Carrots & Peas</p> <p>Cheddar Cheese (V)(H) Homemade Jacket Wedges PYO Salad Bar</p> <p>Baked Beans (V)(H) or Vegetarian Bolognese Sauce (VE)(H)</p> <p>Chocolata & Orange Cake</p>	<p>Homemade Classic Lasagne with Crusty Bread, Broccoli & Sweetcorn</p> <p>Margherita Pizza (V)(H) Baby Baked Potatoes, Broccoli & Sweetcorn</p> <p>Egg Mayonnaise (V)(H) Baby Baked Potatoes, Carrot & Cucumber Sticks & Mayo Dip</p> <p>Tuna Mayonnaise (H)</p> <p>Golden Syrup Sponge with Creamy Custard</p>	<p>Chicken Power up Pasta Bowl in a Tomato Sauce with Cauliflower & Green Beans</p> <p>Flaky Baked Vegan Sausage Roll (VE)(H) Herby Diced Potatoes, Cauliflower & Green Beans</p> <p>Tuna Mayonnaise (H) Herby Diced Potatoes PYO Salad Bar</p> <p>Cheddar Cheese (V)(H)</p> <p>Pineapple & Orange Jelly with Fresh Fruit Salad</p>	<p>Classic Toad In The Hole, Mashed or Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Sweetcorn and Gravy</p> <p>Vegetarian Toad In The Hole (V)(H) Mashed or Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Sweetcorn and Gravy</p> <p>Hot Pork Sausage or Vegetarian Sausage Bap (VE)(H) Roast Potatoes PYO Salad Bar</p> <div style="border: 1px solid purple; border-radius: 50%; padding: 5px; display: inline-block; color: purple; font-weight: bold;">YUM! Roast Dinner today!</div> <p>Vanilla Ice Cream topped with Homemade Lemon Sauce</p>	<p>Fish Fishers (H) Chips, Peas & Tomato Ketchup</p> <p>Crispy Vegetable Nuggets (VE)(H) Chips, Peas & Tomato Ketchup</p> <p>Tuna Mayonnaise Salad (H) Chips PYO Salad Bar</p> <p>Cheddar Cheese (V)(H) or Tuna Mayonnaise (H)</p> <p>Freshly Baked Apple Pie Cookies with Fresh Fruit Wedges</p>

FIVE BIG CHOICES EVERY DAY!

100% VEGETARIAN AND VEGAN BE AVAILABLE. Allergen information is available on request. Special diets catered for.

Updated menu for after half term emailed last week! Preorder on school grid now for next half term!

Safeguarding

If you ever feel any child is at risk, please contact our Child Protection team:

Mrs Gibbons
Headteacher & SENDCO

Miss Grayston
Assistant Headteacher

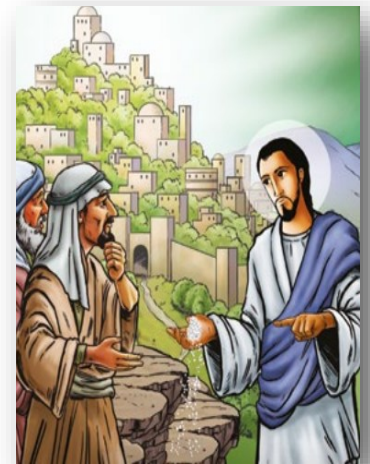
Mrs Harrison
HLTA / Learning mentor

Mrs Walker
Chair of Governors

Or ring Duty and Advice on: 0113376 0336

5th Sunday of Ordinary Time

This Sunday's Gospel shows how the message of Jesus can change everything in the world. Jesus reminds us that we are not here only for ourselves – we're here for others: to improve the lives of those around us with love, care and goodness. Whenever we perform an act of goodness, even the smallest good deed, it pleases God and sets an example for others to see and to follow. So this Gospel reminds us of the importance of our role in life: to bring God's light to others and to be 'the salt of the earth'. Now let's go and bring that taste and that light of Jesus to everyone we meet. Enjoy a special time together exploring this Sunday's Gospel and this week's word, which is **GOODNESS**.



“How good God is! In His goodness He seeks only our happiness.” St. Alphonsus Liguori

Saturday evening Mass time: 6:30pm

Sunday Mass times 9am

Weekday mass times: Tuesday 7pm, Thursdays 10am