

# St Francis Catholic Primary School Morley



Friday 26th September  
2025

Autumn Term 1 week 4  
Virtue: Respect & Courtesy

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## Weekly News

### Headteacher's Welcome

It has been so lovely to see so many parents attend the curriculum meetings to hear about how the year will be structured for your child & how you can support continued learning at home.

You will have noticed a few key messages have been sent home this week, from our Autumn term calendar of dates, pupil consents to the Autumn term club list that staff volunteer their time so generously to deliver. We have continued to run these across the term this year as this was positively received by parents for knowing the dates, avoiding confusion. A new range with different cohorts will be available in Spring & Summer term.

A huge thank you for all your support for our bun sale on Friday, where our Mini Vinnies hosted a fundraiser for Macmillan Cancer and Jeans for Genes. We chose these charities to support the work they deliver as these are closely linked to children in our school. I look forward to providing our total raised next week, once our Mini Vinnies have counted the monies raised.

Next week we begin our St Francis day celebrations with mass on Friday (there will be no celebration assembly). You will also see that the travelling box will come home over the coming weeks. The travelling box is linked to St Francis day and our School mission.

A little reminder that voting closes on Monday for our Parent Governor role, the ballot box will be in the school entrance until 9am, for any final votes.

Today we also had our Year 4 children move into their new classroom, the children were so excited! I look forward to sharing photos of our classroom with you all shortly.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

See you on Monday!

Mrs Gibbons



Is your child due to start school in September 2026?  
Or are you looking for a child's Nursery place? We would love to welcome you to visit our wonderful school community on the following dates:

#### Open Evenings:

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October & Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>  
November 17:00 – 18:00

Open Day: Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November. We are offering tours of the school at 10am and 2pm.

This is open for prospective parents of Reception aged children from September 2026 and Nursery children from aged 3.

Please contact the school (0113 323 0554) for further information.

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#### Dates for your diary:

Y2 & Y5 Carbon monoxide work- 30th Sept

Y6 Class Mass— 10am 2nd Oct

Wonderdome Reception, Y2, Y5 2nd Oct

Y1 NHS hearing screening in school 2nd Oct

St Francis Day ~ feast day celebration: 1:30pm mass 3rd Oct

St Francis day celebrations 6th Oct

Y3 St Francis day service, 2:45pm 6th Oct

Y5 Class Mass— 10am 9th Oct

Celebration assembly - all welcome, 3pm in school 10th October

Harvest service led by Y4 ~ 2:45pm 14th October

Parents evenings \*letter to follow next week\* 14th & 16th Oct

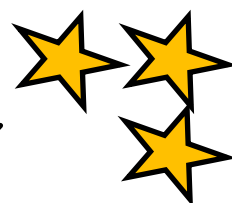
Is your child due to start secondary school in 2026?



You can apply online until Friday 31 October 2025 for a Year 7 place in September 2026

[www.leeds.gov.uk/apply](http://www.leeds.gov.uk/apply)

# Celebration certificates

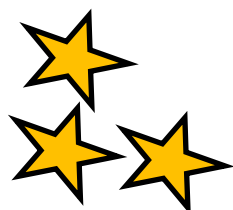


| Celebration certificates |          |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Reception                | Sophia   |
| Year 1                   | Ali      |
| Year 2                   | Rafael   |
| Year 3                   | BobbyLee |
| Year 4                   | Jake     |
| Year 5                   | Rafe     |
| Year 6                   | Narayan  |

**School attendance this week:**  
**98.2%**

**Classes with the best attendance this week is:**  
**With 100%...**  
**Years 3 & 4**  
**Well done children!**

| Virtue certificate |                       |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Reception          | Sophia-Mae & Benjamin |
| Year 1             | Clementine & Alex     |
| Year 2             | Maita & Amos          |
| Year 3             | Evelyn & Lily         |
| Year 4             | Jacob & Ayla          |
| Year 5             | Ella & James          |
| Year 6             | Alex S & Matthew      |



# Special themed dinner menu on

Children are very excited for a special menu on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October. Order online through SchoolGrid.

**WELCOME TO OUR SCHOOL CELEBRATION MENU**

THURSDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> OCTOBER

- Hot Dogs**  
(frankfurter in a finger roll)
- Margherita Pizza (v)(h)**  
(Homemade and topped with tangy tomato sauce and cheese)
- Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans (v)(h)**  
(A classic favourite)
- French Fries**
- Mixed Salad**
- Ice Cream Factory**  
(a selection of ice cream, fruit, sauce and sprinkles)
- Fresh Fruit**

THURSDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> OCTOBER

**Catering Leeds**  
Feeding the Future

## Uniform reminder

Just a couple of reminders about uniform as there are several children not coming to school in the correct uniform. All children wear indoor pumps and these are kept in school. Our PE kit consists of black shorts / plain black jogging bottoms, a white t-shirt and logoed purple zipped jacket or hoodie. Last year we had a transitional year of allowing the black zip-jackets but these are not part of our school uniform as of September 2025. Several children have also been wearing branded sports kits, these are also not school uniform, please only send your child in unbranded items as escribed above for PE kit.

## Early Years

In Nursery, we have been building with 2D shapes to make our own small and tall towers. We have also loved our Drawing Club story of 'Rosie's Walk' and used props to help us retell the story to our friends!



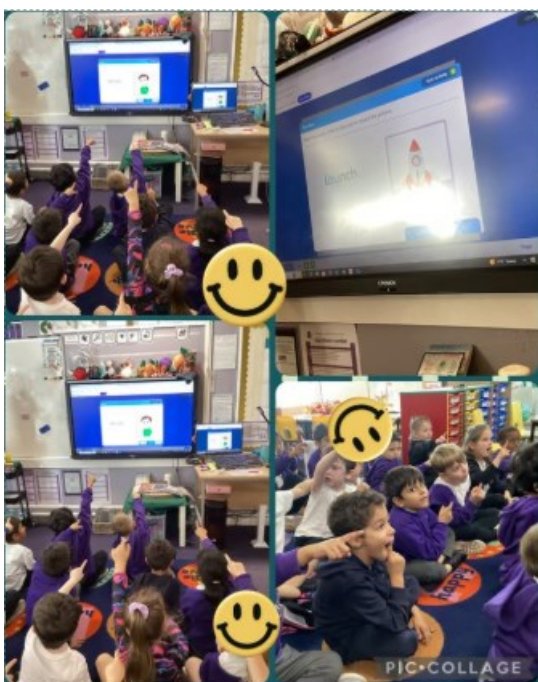
In Reception we have been focusing on matching and sorting in our Maths learning. We have explored different ways of sorting and have enjoyed doing this in provision. We have also been learning the story



## Key Stage 1

This week in Year 1 we have started our phase 5 phonics.

In Art we have looked at Mondrian and colouring mixing and have had lots of fun comparing numbers in Maths!



In Year 2 we have been exploring patterns for our clay pinch pots. In maths we have been comparing numbers and objects. We have had lots of fun practicing balances in gymnastics.

## Academic Calendar 2025-26

**Inset days –** 1st / 2nd Sep  
**School closed** September 2025

**New School Year begins** Wednesday  
3rd September

End of half term Thursday  
23rd October

**Inset day ~** Friday 24th  
**School closed** October

Start of Autumn 2 Monday 3rd  
November

End of Autumn Term Friday 19th  
December

**Start of Spring term** Monday 5th  
January

End of half term Friday 13th  
February

Start of Spring 2 half Monday 23rd  
February

End of Spring term Thursday  
2nd April

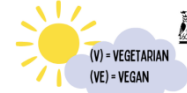
## School dinner menu - Autumn Term

Dinner menus are based on a 3-week cycle. Next week's menu (week 2) is listed below. If your child is in Nursery dinner costs £2.70 per day or if they are in Key Stage 2 (Years 3-6) dinners cost £3 per day.

SCHOOL: Morley St Francis  
Week 2 w/c 08/09/2025 29/09/2025  
20/10/2025

### LUNCHTIME MENU

Menus are subject to availability



| MONDAY  | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY   |
|---|---|--|--|--|
| Mediterranean Vegetable & Chicken Pasta Bake<br>Seasonal Vegetables   | Roast Gammon<br>Roast Potatoes<br>Seasonal Vegetables               | Veggie Balls in a Mediterranean Tomato Sauce (VE)(H)<br>Pasta<br>Seasonal Vegetables | Roast Chicken<br>Yorkshire Pudding<br>Mashed Potatoes<br>Seasonal Vegetables                                 | Breaded Salmon Bites (H)<br>Chips<br>Seasonal Vegetables |
| Margherita Pizza (V)(H)<br>Baby Baked Potatoes<br>Seasonal Vegetables | Vegan Sausage Roll (VE)(H)<br>Roast Potatoes<br>Seasonal Vegetables | Omelette (V)(H)<br>Jacket Wedges<br>Seasonal Vegetables                              | Vegetarian Sausage (VE)(H)<br>Yorkshire Pudding<br>Mashed Potatoes<br>Seasonal Vegetables                    | Cheesy Bean Wrap (V)(H)<br>Chips<br>Seasonal Vegetables  |
| Tuna Mayonnaise Wrap (H)<br>Jacket Wedges                             | Wholemeal Egg Mayonnaise Sandwich (V)(H)<br>Roast Potatoes          | Wholemeal Cheese and Tomato Sandwich (V)(H)<br>Baby Baked Potatoes                   | Hot Roast Chicken<br>Baguette or Vegetarian Sausage Baguette (VE)(H)<br>Jacket Wedges<br>Seasonal Vegetables | Tuna and Sweetcorn Wrap (H)<br>Chips                     |
| Jacket Potato<br>Cheese and Crunchy Slaw (V)(H)                       | Jacket Potato<br>Cheese (V)(H)                                      | Jacket Potato<br>Tuna Mayonnaise(H)  |  | Jacket Potato<br>Baked Beans (V)(H)                      |
| Vanilla Ice Cream<br>Fresh Fruit                                      | Chocolate Cookie<br>Fresh Fruit                                     | Butterscotch Cookie<br>Fresh Fruit   | Lemon Sponge and Custard   | Shortbread Cookie  |



## Safeguarding

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

**Mrs Gibbons**  
Headteacher / SENDCO

**Miss Grayston**  
Assistant Headteacher

**Miss Goodall**  
EYFS lead / Reception teacher

**Mrs Harrison**  
HLTA / Learning mentor

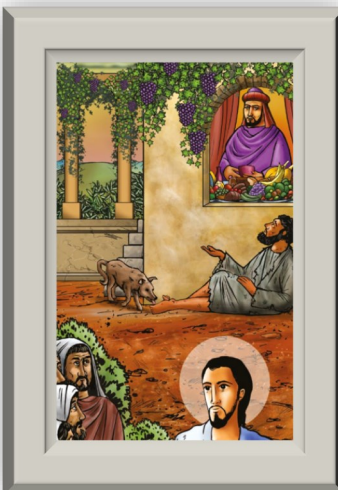
**Mrs Walker**  
Chair of Governors

**Or ring Duty and Advice on: 0113376 0336**

## 26th Sunday of Ordinary time

In this Sunday's Gospel we read about poor Lazarus, suffering at the rich man's gate – and the rich man does nothing to help him. It's easy for us to become so caught up in the busyness of life that we don't even notice the needs of others or, worse still, ignore them.

But Jesus repeatedly teaches us about fairness, sharing and kindness to others, particularly to the poor. The question of a successful life is not: "How much did I accumulate?" but rather, "How did I use what God had given me to help others?" So, let's not put off until tomorrow the good that we can do today. Enjoy your week and help share God's love.



**"Give something, however small, to the person in need. For it is not small to one who has nothing."**

St Gregory Nazianzus

Saturday evening Mass time: 6:30pm

Sunday Mass times 9am

Weekday mass times:  
Tuesdays 7pm,  
Thursdays 10am