

Frodsham CE Primary School

NEWSLETTER



Love each other, as God loves us. John 15:12

15th September 2023

Dear All,

Welcome back for the start of a new academic year. It has been a really positive start with the children enjoying being in their new classes. I am always so amazed by how much they grow over the six weeks holiday. I hope you all had a really lovely time and made some fantastic holiday memories.

It has been a joy to welcome our new reception children who are already confidently following all the routines around school; making friends and enjoying having fun with their big buddies. We look forward to officially welcoming them and their families to our school family in our very special service at St Laurence Church on 5th October. Also, a warm welcome to Max and Amelie and their family who have joined our Y4 and Y3 class; we hope you will be very happy here and quickly settle in.

We are proud to share with you our new vision statement: Love each other, as God loves us. Thank you to Miss Riddiough who worked alongside all members of our school community to sum up what is special and important about our school. So many children and adults talked about love being at the heart of everything we do. The Bible teaches Christians to love like Jesus loves. That's quite a challenge but one we all aspire to here at Frodsham CE. You will have opportunity to find out more through our prayer spaces week from the 25th Sep. I am pleased to reassure you that following a building inspection this week, the surveyor confirmed that he could not find any visible evidence of RAAC within our school building.

I hope you enjoy visiting your child's new classroom and getting to know their class teacher next week.

Forthcoming dates can be found on this newsletter but also we have a weekly timetable on the website under the DATES tab. I really am looking forward to working with you for another amazing year. Please do not hesitate to come and have a chat, if you have any worries or concerns. Kindest regards, Mrs Kirby

Welcome Reception

A warm welcome to all our new children who have started in our reception class. What a wonderful start they have made. They have shown lots of confidence and enjoyed all the fun of being in school. After their fantastic, first full week, I wonder how tired they will be this weekend! Thank you to our Y6 big buddies who have done an amazing job of helping them to settle into our school family.



Congratulations



Introducing our youngest member of the Frodsham CE family: Jacob George Coates born at the end of August.

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Coates and big brother Isaiah. Mr Coates is currently enjoying his paternity leave and having lots of cuddles.

Sports News

It's going to be a busy half term for our sports teams. Coming up we will see the KS2 Tag Rugby teams in action at the FAVSP event held at Helsby Sports Club. The event, ran by Helsby Rugby club, will host the year 5/6 teams to compete in a tournament, and year 3/4 teams will attend a fantastic skill building festival. We will also be having a tournament here in school in celebration of the Rugby World Cup.



PTA News

We are pleased to announce that the Summer Fayre raised a total of £3107.46. If you are able to do matched funding please let us know by email or contacting a PTA member.



Notices

Uniform

Thank you so much for supporting our drive to improve standards in school uniform. It is lovely to see the children looking smart. A reminder polo shirts should have the school logo to show children are proud to belong to our school family. A more economical option is a plain white shirt with a school tie. Ties are available through our online supplier or we can order them from the school office.

Trainers have never been permitted to be worn as part of school uniform and we ask parents to please support this. Many black shoes available are now very trainer like so to clarify: shoes must be made from a leather or leatherlike material; any canvas type material which is not waterproof is a trainer or any branded footwear with logos such as Nike or Adidas are trainers and not permitted to be worn in school, apart from within sports activities.

Chess Club

Mrs Arnold has got the children excited with a new lunchtime chess club. We have some real experts. Thank you so much for all your kind donations of chess boards



Storyhouse Theatre Visit

We have booked a whole school visit to Storyhouse Theatre to

see Cinderella on 4th January.



Unauthorised Holiday

A reminder that any leave of absence will only be authorised by school if it has been applied for in advance and school believes the **circumstances to be exceptional**. A leave of absence during term time for the purposes of a **holiday is not considered to qualify as exceptional and the absence will be recorded as unauthorised**. Should an unauthorised absence take place, the school will inform the Local Authority and a Fixed Penalty Notice may then be issued in accordance with section 444 of the Education Act 1996. The law stipulates that the current penalty paid by parents/carers is £60 when the penalty is paid within 21 days, increasing to £120 when the penalty is paid within the next 7 days (giving a total of 28 days to pay). This penalty is per parent/carer per child. If the Fixed Penalty is not paid you could be Prosecuted in the Magistrates' Court. When children are not in school before or after school holidays due to illness, we will ask for evidence to authorise the absence.

Reading book Amnesty

We are getting low on reading books especially in KS2. If you have any school reading books at home, please can you return them to school.

Achievements

Just before the end of last term, Cara, Eva, Bella and Daisy N, Y5 made and sold bookmarks. They raised £43.03 plus Gift Aid which they donated to Cancer Research. Well Done girls!



Hetty, Y3 completed the Tenby Ironkids in a super fast time!



Olly, Y5 was given 'trainer of the week' at football training. His coach has been giving him a lot of praise about how much he throws himself into the games and is doing really well.

Eliza, Y2 has just achieved her level 2 swimming certificate.



Congratulations to all the children who completed the summer reading challenge: Ready Set Read. Well done for all that wonderful reading.

Headteachers Award

- Year 1— Jasmine & Wilf
- Year 2— Finn & Solomiia
- Year 3— Elijah & Ethan
- Year 4— Emily & Sebastian
- Year 5— Eva & Zac
- Year 6— Josh & Tom



Headteachers Award

- Year 1— Imogen & Kit
- Year 2— Amber & Arran
- Year 3— Sebastian & Sophia
- Year 4— Bodhi & Jamie
- Year 5— Ava & Olly
- Year 6— Carmella & George



Dates for the Diary

Y4 Noddfa visit- 26th September
Y4 Admission to Communion- 1st October 10am
Life Education visits- 2nd & 3rd October
Reception Welcome Service- 5th October 9.30am
Harvest Service- 10th October 9.30am
Parents' Evening- 11th & 12th October
Amazing People Day- 13th October
Open Morning- 18th October
Individual School Photos- 20th October
School closes for half term- Friday 20th October
INSET Day - Monday 30th October
School re-opens- Tuesday 31st October
Anti-Bullying Week- 13th November- Odd Socks Day
Advent Spiral- 24th November
Frodsham Christmas Festival- 25th November
Christmas Lunch- 5th December
Nativity Play- 6th December 2.00pm & 7th December 6pm
KS2 Carol Service- 11th December 6pm
Christmas Party Day- 13th December
School closes for Christmas holiday- Friday 15th December @ 1.30pm
INSET- Tuesday 2nd January
School opens for spring term- Wednesday 3rd January
Storyhouse Theatre trip- Cinderella- 4th January