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Friday 5th September 2025 – Term 1 - Newsletter 1

Our Christian Value this term is 'Thankfulness'

Dear Parents/Carers,

A very warm welcome back to all our children, families and staff and a special welcome to those joining our school community this term! We hope you all had a restful and enjoyable summer break.

It's been a fantastic start to the new school year. The children have returned full of energy and enthusiasm and it's been wonderful to see the classrooms buzzing with curiosity, learning and smiles. It has been wonderful to welcome the new pupils into Reception and to see them so engaged in activities already.

We are pleased to welcome some new members of staff to the team. Miss Burns is teaching Class 7 this year and Mrs Oram and Mrs Winter have joined us as Teaching Assistants.

Our School Vision and Values

As we begin this school year, we would like to remind everyone of our school vision and values, which are at the heart of everything we do:

*Our vision is to enable all members of our school community to **become the best we can**, by being an **inclusive, vibrant, aspirational school**. Our school is a place where all individuals are accepted, nurtured, encouraged and celebrated. Our vision is rooted in James Martin's (SJ) theology that life is about becoming our best selves, through an ongoing process of transformation. As a community we strive to love, learn and grow together, through our school values of **thankfulness, hope, honesty, forgiveness, service and justice**. We endeavour to **'think about each other and help each other to show love and do good deeds.'** (Hebrews 10:24).*

As a school community, we will be continuing to explore what our vision means to us and how we can all become the best we can. Our value for this term is 'Thankfulness' and we will be exploring this throughout our Collective Worship and other school activities.



Meet the Teacher and Year Group Expectations Evening

We are holding our Meet the Teacher and Expectations Evening on Tuesday 16th September. These will take place for Years 1 to 6 only. The Reception team will be in touch with families regarding dates for EYFS workshops throughout the year. There will be two presentations on the Tuesday, one at 3.30pm and one at 5pm. Families only need to attend one. We hope to see you there.



Reading Volunteers

This year we are looking for more reading volunteers to come into school and spend some time listening to children read. Even just half an hour can make a big difference. If you have some time to spare and would like to help nurture a love of reading, please get in touch with the school office, where we can discuss next steps, such as arranging a DBS check.

'Becoming the best we can'

Mobile Phones

If pupils in Upper Key Stage 2 do bring a mobile phone to school, they must ensure these are kept in their bags all day or given to their teacher when they arrive. They are not permitted to keep their mobile phones on their person once they arrive on the school site. Mobile phones out in school will be confiscated and returned at the end of the day.



Attendance and the School Day

As we begin the new school year, we'd like to remind all families about the importance of regular school attendance. Good attendance is not just about academic success. For children to feel part of a team they need to be present. Children with regular attendance get the very best out of our school offer and develop a sense of belonging as part of the school community.

We are committed to making sure all pupils benefit from the full range of opportunities available at Frampton. Our expectation is that students arrive on time and attend school every day it is open, unless there is an unavoidable reason, such as illness. We ask that, wherever possible, families avoid making medical or dental appointments during the school day and avoid taking holidays during term time.

The Department for Education's statutory guidance, '*Working together to improve school attendance*' makes it clear that a leave of absence during term time should only be granted in exceptional circumstances; it is unlikely that a leave of absence will be granted for the purpose of a family holiday. All requests for a leave of absence must be made in writing or by email to the Headteacher at least three weeks in advance via office@fcceprimary.co.uk. Please note that permission is granted at the Headteacher's discretion.

In August 2024, a new national threshold for when Penalty Notices must be considered came into effect. A Penalty Notice will likely be issued if a child has 10 or more unauthorised sessions (equivalent to 5 school days) within a rolling 10-week period, for any reason. The fine is currently £80 per parent, per child (if paid within 21 days), rising to £160 if not paid within that time. For full details, including what happens if a second or third offence occurs, please visit: https://life.southglos.gov.uk/kb5/southglos/directory/advice.page?id=1_801waDAQg&=

A reminder that the school gates open at 8.30am and children and families can arrive from this time. The bell rings at 8.40am and this is when children line up and go into class, ready to start the day. The register is taken at 8.45am and children arriving after this time need to register via the office. Children arriving after 9:05am are marked as an unauthorised absence. The gates close at 8.45am with the side gate by the office being the last to close, so as to allow parents/carers to exit the site.

We thank all families for working in partnership with us to support good attendance and ensure the best possible outcomes for our children.

Road Safety and Parking

We'd like to remind all parents and carers about the importance of road safety. Please ensure that children walking to and from school are accompanied by an adult, or walk with friends if older and permitted. We also ask all families to park considerately — please avoid blocking local residents' driveways and do not park on the zig-zag lines outside the school. Thank you for your continued support in helping to keep our school community safe.



Mrs Fisher's Shout Outs

- Isabelle, Izzy, Lilah, Casey and Isabel for helping out in the dinnerhall.
- Axel for taking so much pride with his learning this week.
- All the Year 6s for being great buddies at lunchtime.
- All of the children in Reception for starting school so well this week.

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I hope you all have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Mrs Debbie Fisher
Headteacher

Coming up ... Dates for your diary 2025/2026

Summer Term and Autumn Term	
School Academic Year 2025 – 2026. Please note these term dates may vary from other local authorities.	
Thursday 11th September 2025	Year 5 and 6 school trip
Tuesday 16 th September 2025	Individual photos for children
Tuesday 16 th September 2025	Expectations Evening for parents/carers at 3.30pm and 5pm
Tuesday 16 th September 2025	Year 6 Manor 2026 parent/carers meeting at 5.30pm
Friday 19 th September 2025	Bake Off Assembly for Year 6 parents/carers at 9.30am
Thursday 9 th October 2025	Harvest Service at St Peters Church
Friday 10 th October 2025	INSET day – school closed to children
Friday 17 th October 2025	Friends Disco
Friday 17 th October 2025	Rags 2 Riches
Friday 5 th December 2025	Friends Christmas Market
Saturday 14 th March 2026	Friends Globe Trot

*There are a further 2 INSET dates to be set and these will be shared in due course.

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