

St. Martha's News

'Be the best you can be'



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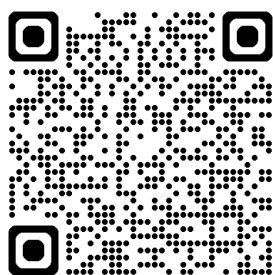
Catholic Life of the School

Big Lent Walk

Thank you again to those who have donated to CAFOD for our Big Lent Walk. The children have continued to walk nearly everyday. There is still plenty of time to donate if you would like to.



<https://schools.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/fundraising/st-marthas-fundraising-page2025>



We have been astounded once again by the generous donations for the Purfleet Trust this week and are so grateful to everyone who is donating each week! It really means a lot to our local charities.

Next week, will be our last week of donations and we will be asking for donations to Merchants Terrace, who are asking for donations of general kitchen cupboard foods. As per every week, please do not feel that you have to make any donations. It is not compulsory, we just want to provide opportunities for those who would like to give back to those less fortunate than us during the season of Lent.



Thank you for your support in advance.

Foundation Governors

Unfortunately, we are saying thank you and goodbye to two of our Foundation Governors, whose term of service is ending at the end of this month and they have made the decision to not renew. I would like to thank James Varghese and Piya Manesh for everything they have done for our school as a Governor taking us through our recent Ofsted and Catholic School Inspection.

We are therefore looking to recruit some new Foundation Governors to join our Governing Body. If you are a practising Catholic and would be interested to learn more, please come and see me or contact Andy Stone, our Diocesan Director of School's Service by email: andy.stone@rcdea.org.uk for more information and to receive an application form.

The Role of Foundation Governors

Our Foundation Governors are appointed by the Bishop to preserve and develop the religious character of the school, and to secure compliance with the trust deed.

To be a Foundation Governor is to accept a ministry in the Church, to be concerned not only with the good of a particular school but with the good of the whole educational mission of the Diocese of East Anglia. Through his Foundation Governors the Bishop discharges his responsibility to ensure that:

- as far as possible, teachers are appointed to our schools who combine personal conviction and practice of the Faith with the educational qualifications required for particular posts;
- a just admissions policy is framed, consonant with the Catholic character of the school and the needs of our children;
- the curriculum is rooted in a religious understanding of life so that religious education has first place in the curriculum and embraces and enlivens every other subject;
- the property of the Trustee is cared for and used for its proper purposes.

Foundation Governors have the task of preserving and developing the Catholic ethos of our schools and their

partnership with the wider community. It is an excellent example of that vision of collaborative ministry given us in the teachings of the church.

Dates for your diary

1st and 2nd April Years 3 and 4 Easter Production (1:30pm and 6pm)

Dear Families,

It has been an extremely busy week this week with so much happening, I am sure the pupils and staff will be delighted it is the weekend now to have a rest.

Thank you to all the parents who took the time to speak with your child's class teacher at Parents' Evening this week. I hope the meetings were informative and you are more aware of how well your child is doing at school, half way through the year.

Following the success of the choir's participation in Music for Youth at Springwood High School and the Norfolk County Music Festival in Norwich, on Tuesday the choir took part in Schools Make Music at the Corn Exchange. Schools Make Music has been run by the Rotary Club of Kings Lynn Trinity for over 20 years, bringing local schools together to perform in front of a live audience. It was another wonderful evening when the choir once again performed incredibly, delighting the audience with their super vocals and choreography. This was our 3rd performance in 3 weeks and as you know, preparation is everything. We are blessed to have a team who are so willing to devote their time to prepare and attend these events. Next up, Y4 will be at the Corn Exchange for the Sports Partnership Dance Festival, Y3/4 Easter Production will be held just before we break for Easter, Y5 will be performing Shakespeare's Macbeth at the end of May, there will be an end of year music evening in July as well as our much anticipated Y6 Musical! The choir will be singing for our Parish Elders and performing as part of Springwood's end of year Music week in the summer too. Safe to say, music and the performing arts remain at the heart of St Martha's for which your support is always appreciated.

Year 5 girls played a friendly football game at home against a mixed Year5/6 team against Gaywood Primary school. It ended 3-1 to Gaywood but the girls gave a strong performance. Bella scored a great goal and Mia and Ruby had a couple of near misses. Excellent performance girls!



Zuzanna in Year 2, made the brave decision to not only have her first haircut in her life but to donate her hair to the Little Princess Trust. Great job Zuzanna, your new hair cut looks fantastic and so grown up!

Year 3 had a lovely morning visiting the local library this week. They enjoyed exploring books that were on offer and listening to stories.



We only have two weeks left until the end of term. We finish on 4th April at 3:15pm for the Easter holidays. Next Monday, our Year 6's embark on their residential trip to Kingswood. We hope they have a great time and I would like to thank all the staff involved in organising the trip and accompanying the children for the three days.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend, Mrs Edwards

Safeguarding

The wellbeing of our children is of paramount importance to all staff. Should any parent have a concern regarding a child's wellbeing, please inform the school's Designated Safeguarding Officers: Mrs. Child, Mrs. Edwards, Miss Annelly and Mrs. Bowman.

Happy Birthday!

Year 1: Amos

Year 3: Kateleja, Mylo, Damian

Year 4: Satvika

Year 6: Michelle, Aibel

May God never stop showering you with His blessing

Attendance Award

Congratulations to Year 4 Yellow with 98.15% attendance this week!

Every day at school counts, helping with learning, developing skills, and building friendships.





Well done to our Be the best you can be winners this week . . .

Reception: Irene & Danj

Year 1: Ugo & Aleksa

Year 2: Liyan & George

Year 3: Zuzanna N & Chrisin

Year 4: Emily & Sonia

Year 5: Ruby & Allexia

Year 6: Rafael & Exzaniel

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Dates for your diary . . . more information to follow

2nd May – Quiz Night (adults only)

14th May – Colour Dash

School Summer Term diary dates will be coming out next week so keep an eye out on Dojo/newsletter

Dates for the Diary Spring Term Dates

March '25						
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30	31					

- 24 - 26 Year 6 to Kingswood
- 24 Ignite visit: Stations of the Cross
- 25 Year 4 Dance Festival at the Corn Exchange
- 26 Reconciliation Service Years 4 & 5
- 27 Reception Hearing and Vision

April '25						
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- 1 Year 3/4 Easter Production (2pm – changed to 1:30pm & 6pm)
- 2 9:30 End of Term Mass Years 2- 6
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- 3 10am Rock Steady Concert
4pm Girl's Football League
- 4 End of Term (3:15pm)
- 7 - 21 Easter Holidays (21 Easter Monday)



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Academic year 2024-25

Wraparound Care for St Martha's Catholic Primary School

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Wraparound care sessions are open to children from Reception to Year 6, with no deposit or registration fee required. Healthy snacks are provided, with specific dietary requirements also being catered for.

St Martha's Catholic Primary 2024-25

Before School Club:
7.30am - 8.30am: £5.25

After School options
3.15pm - 5.45pm: £11.25
3.15pm - 4.30pm: £6
4.15pm - 5.45pm: £6

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