# St Mary and St Peter Catholic Primary School



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Through nurturing trust and strong relationships, our learning adventure will see each and every one of us thrive in God's love.



#### Ash Wednesday Mass

Thank you to all those who attended our whole school mass on Wednesday  $22^{nd}$  February. It was lovely to welcome Father Alex back into school to deliver the service. This week, children are reflecting on the gospel value of courage. God gives us the courage to make good choices just like Jesus did in the desert, even when we find it hard.

#### Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Class Mass

The next mass in school is for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. The children would love to share this with as many of their parents as possible so please do attend if you are able. The mass is from 10am-11am. Parents should arrive at the school office to sign-in from 9:50am onwards.

#### Mini Vinnies and the Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross is a form of prayer used traditionally in Lent. Each of the 14 Stations retells part of Jesus' suffering and death through images and words. The Mini-Vinnies made the fourteen Stations of the Cross and on the 20th February, they spoke to the whole school about their importance.

Each Friday during Lent, the Mini-Vinnies are running a prayer and reflection session based on two or three Stations of Cross. They love answering the pupils' questions and sharing their knowledge across the school.



# **School Values**

# Believe, Love, Respect and Trust.

With Christ at the centre of all we do we Believe and Trust in Him to help us to show Love and Respect to all.



#### Year 5/6 Basketball Tournament

Well done to the SMSP basketball team who represented the school at East Norfolk Sixth Form College on Tuesday afternoon. The team played effectively together, coming 2<sup>nd</sup> in their league and finishing 5<sup>th</sup> overall following an intense extra-time period for the play-offs. Great sportsmanship was shown by all the players.

#### **World Book Day**

Congratulations to all the children for an amazing world book day in which staff and children alike shared their love of reading and literature.



# **Upcoming events in EYFS:**

# **Early Years- King's Coronation**

To mark the Coronation of His Majesty the King, we would like to invite nursery and reception children, along with their parents to the 'King's Party'. The celebration will take place on Thursday 4th May from 9am-10:30am.

If your child is in nursery and they do not normally attend this day, then you are welcome to accompany them to the event. When bringing your child to school in the morning we will quickly register the children before inviting parents into the classroom. Therefore, you may wish to bring you child to school closer to 8:50am when the doors close.

There will be a variety of craft activities, outdoor garden games and food stalls for the children to get involved with.

# **Early Years Easter Cafe**

We are egg-cited to let you know that we will be hosting an Easter themed Stay and Play for our nursery and reception Children. The Stay and Play will take place on Tuesday 28th March from 9am-10am and is an opportunity for children to bring their family member (maximum of 2 each) into school to share their learning.

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classroom. Therefore, you may wish to bring you child to school closer to 8:50am when the doors close.

There will be a variety of Easter themed activities spread across the nursery, reception and outdoor area, that you will be able to take part in with your child. One of the activities involves rolling a hard-boiled egg down a slope to see how far it can travel before breaking. If your child would like to take part in this activity, you will need to provide a hard-boiled egg from home, personalised with your own design.

# **School Vision**

We believe that even with God's love we can sometimes experience challenges. Just like our patron saints, Mary and Peter, they experienced difficult times in their life that took strength and perseverance to overcome. At our school, we value this challenge and encourage children to experience it, knowing that together with our support and love, they will experience a successful outcome be it in an academic subject or through social experiences. We are all exploring our own talents and each day we

'Set Sail for Success'

# Medication

If your child requires school to administer any medication, please can parents complete a medicine administration form at the school office. We can only administer prescribed medicines. Medicine must contain information including the child's name and class, amount prescribed and the time it needs to be taken.

#### **Absence Reminder**

If your child is unwell or unable to attend school, please ensure the office is contacted by 8:30am. Alternatively you can leave a voice mail or email the office on office@smspprimary.norfok.sch.uk.

#### **Uniform reminder**

The only jewellery that children should be wearing to school is a single set of stud ear-rings. Bracelets and necklaces are not permitted. Long hair should be tied back and there should be **no make-up.** We have had to speak to a number of Year 6 children about applying lip gloss and mascara in the cloakroom. We appreciate your support with this.