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.



Mass Dates for Autumn 2

Our next school Mass will be an Advent Mass on the 8^{th} December in the school hall at 10am. All parents are welcome to join us. Please sign in at the school office at 9:50am.



Red Wednesday#

The children in Reception, Year 1, 2 and 3 participated in a Liturgy on Wednesday. Tragically, in our world today, we need RedWednesday more than ever before. Around the world, Christians, minority faith groups and people of no faith suffer abuse and discrimination simply because of their faith or beliefs.

In Key Stage 2 the children participated in an online liturgy centred on the Gospel (John 15) from the Feast of St Maximilian Kolbe which presented some of St. Maximilian's story. This was linked to the fact that people are still suffering for the faith today and the 'Mission' is going to Mass for a persecuted Christian.



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.



Double Gold Medallist!



Huge congratulations go to Kayah in Year 4 who competed at the European Championships last week in PAris. In her first category, Kayah competed in the Kobudo-Long Weapon, 8-9 years. She performed superbly and won a gold medal, scoring way above the average. Kayah won another Gold medal in Individual Kata under 8 on Saturday. She has never, so far, scored that high! On Sunday, Kayah had a kumite. She won the first fight against a tough Romanian girl and lost her second fight 4:3. We are incredibly proud of our WUKF Double European Karate Champion.



Snow White Production

We were delighted to welcome back the M and M Theatre Company who put on a highly professional and entertaining production of Snow White. The children greatly enjoyed the spectacle and were able to learn more about what happens in theatre both on-stage and back-stage. We look forward to welcoming them back again next year.

Chocolate Non-Uniform Day

On Friday the 1st December, we are having an optional non-uniform day. If children wish to wear non-school uniform, we ask that, instead of donating money, that families could donate a bar of chocolate for our Christmas Raffle.



Christmas Updates

- A reminder to all that this year's Christmas Fair will be held on Tuesday 5th December from 3pm 4pm. Each class has been given an enterprise project to create and sell Christmas crafts as well as the usual games and raffle. We look forward to seeing you there.
- Please make sure you park respectively for the event and ensure there is access for local residents at all times. Where possible, we would advise as many as possible to walk to avoid congestion. Thank you for your understanding.
- Also on Tuesday 5th December, some of our Year 1 and Year 2 children will be performing in **Sounds 4 Christmas** at the Drill Hall at 6pm.
- Tuesday December 12th sees the first of 2 Christmas Performances. We have listened to feedback from parents and put this performance after school from 3:15pm - 4:30pm and involves all children from Reception to Year 6. The second performance takes place during the day on Thursday 14th December from 1:30pm - 2:45pm. Details have already been sent out. Two tickets per family per show will be made available but MUST be booked on Wisepay.
- EYFS are collaborating for an additional performance so that Nursery children can participate on Monday 18th December. Their Nativity takes place from 10:45am 11:30am.
- The ever-popular **Carols by Candlelight** returns for another year on Wednesday 13th December.

 The week is rounded off with Christmas jumper day and Christmas dinner on Friday 15th December. Christmas dinner MUST be pre booked on Aspens. No meals can be booked on the day.

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'

School Dinners

We have noticed that some children are not eating much dinner and they are saying that they don't like what has been ordered for them. Please can you check with your child which items they would prefer from the menu as these can't be changed once ordered.

Nasal Flu Vaccines

Reminder that a second round of nasal flu vaccinations takes place on the 6th December. Permission must be given using the previous link emailed to parents. Please do not email the office that you give consent. This is only accepted on the link previously sent https://eastanglia.schoolvacination.uk/glu/2023/norfolk

Parent Governor

We are looking for new parent governors. If this is a role you think you could undertake or would like to discuss please pop into the office for more information.



Children In Need

Thank you to all the families who contributed to Children In Need. We are amazed to say we raised a total of £247.50.



Warm and Well at Norfolk Libraries

If you are finding it difficult to make ends meet, from October 16, visit your local Norfolk library to pick up free Winter essentials. You will be able to collect items such as blankets and hot water bottles, as well as toiletries like deodorant, shampoo, body wash and toothpaste, should you or your family need them.

Our Tricky Period initiative is also running in our libraries, where you can get free sanitary products. Sustainable items are also available whilst stocks last, including menstrual cups, washable pads, and period pants.

Free hot drinks are also available during staffed hours, please check with your local library for times.

All items are free, with no questions asked - simply pop into your local library and tell a staff member what you need.

Key Dates:

Sounds 4 Christmas KS1 ticket bookings are now closed.

Carols by Candlelight 13th December

Christmas Performances please go on Wisepay to reserve tickets. Only two per show. Must be pre ordered

Tuesday December 12th 3:15-4:30pm (Rec - Y6)

Thursday 14th December 1:30-2:45pm (Rec - Y6)

Friday 15th December 9-10am EYFS Christmas Cafe

Friday 15th December - Christmas Jumper Day

- Christmas Dinner Day
