

# 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 to celebrate the Epiphany

Fr Alvan celebrated Epiphany Mass with the children in school on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January. Thank you to those of you who were able to attend.



## Confirmed dates for Masses this term

Fr Alvan has confirmed the following dates for this term.

KS2 Mass - Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February - 10am - in school

Ash Wednesday Mass - Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2pm - whole school - in school

KS1 Liturgy(service with no Eucharist) - Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March - 10am - in school

Mass during Lent - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March - whole School - in school

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March - Ignite Team - Reconciliation workshops and service in the afternoon for KS2.

## Congratulations to the new Head Boy and Head Girl

Year 6 children were invited to write letters and express their interest in applying for the roles of Head Boy and Head Girl. Well done to all of you who applied, there was real strength of integrity and purpose in your aims and ideas. Congratulations to Domantas and Abbey and good luck in your new roles as ambassadors of 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.



## School Vision

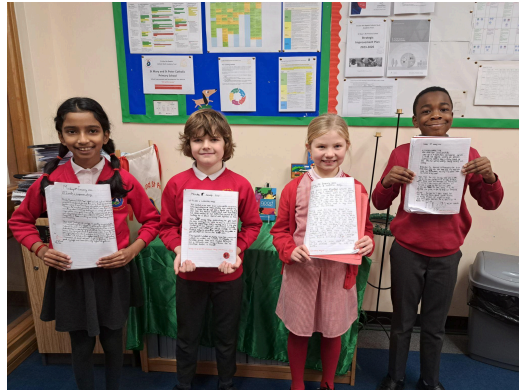
We believe that even with God's love we can sometimes experience challenges. Just like our patron saints, Mary and Peter, they experienced difficult times in their life that took strength and perseverance to overcome. At our school, we value this challenge and encourage children to experience it, knowing 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'**

## Writing Success

In order to increase opportunities for writing for pleasure, we are organising a whole-school creative writing day in February. Children are working hard on a range of skills to support them as authors:

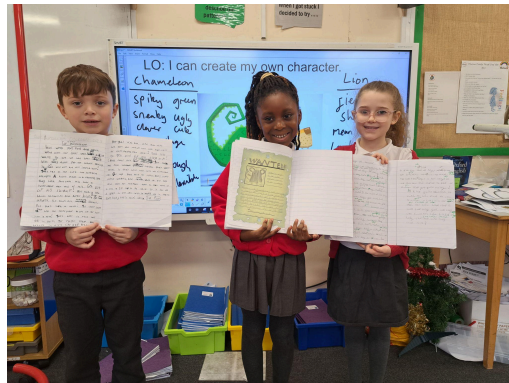
Year 4 have been writing suspense stories and are now exploring diary entries relating to their class novel - Varjak Paw.



Year 3 are developing descriptions to help the reader visualise and understand characters in the text.



Year 2 shared their editing skills, demonstrating how they review and improve their writing.



We look forward to sharing their stories with you in February!

### Nut-Free School

A reminder to everyone please that we are a nut-free school. Please ensure that there are no products brought on site that contain nuts - this includes in any chocolate treats that might be in packed lunches where the contents/ingredients are not as obvious. This supports children and staff in school with allergies.

### Christians Together

Please find below the information on an event on the 21st January. If you want to know more please ask in the office and we will organise this for you.



#### CHRISTIANS TOGETHER IN LOWESTOFT & DISTRICT

invite your prayerful presence during the

#### Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2024

See resources for services & prayers at: [ctbi.org.uk](http://ctbi.org.uk)

*"Go and Do Likewise"*

### UNITED SERVICE OF PRAYER & PRAISE

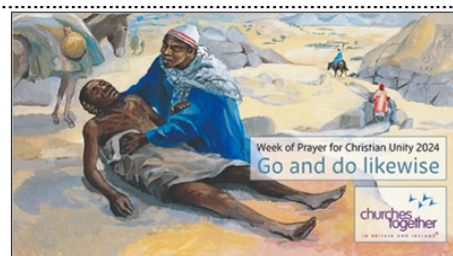
3.00 pm – Sunday 21st January

London Road South Methodist Church

Carlton Road Corner, Lowestoft

NR33 0DY

(Fellowship and Refreshments after)



*"May they all be one, Father" John 17:21*

## **The Big Lent Walk**

On Wednesday March 13th the children will all come to school in their PE Kit and they will take part in the CAFOD fundraiser. More details to follow.



### **Key Dates:**

**Wednesday 31st January - SEND parents evening**

**Thursday 15th February - School Disco**

**19th - 23rd February - Half Term Holiday**