St Mary and St Peter Catholic Primary School

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Our learning adventure will see each and every one of us thrive in God's love as we set sail for success.



The Bible tells us that Hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us" (*Rom* 5:1-2.5).



Prayer



A PRAYER TO BEGIN SUMMER

For more light in the day, we thank you,
For gentle mornings, we thank you,
For nighttime conversations,
we thank you,
For friends and family,
we thank you,
For gardens and all manner of creatures,
we thank you.
Help us, Creator and lover of our souls.

Help us love this earth.
Help us dwell wholeheartedly in our lives
this day.
Help us pray as we walk, work, play, rest,
and create.

Amen.

Year 6 Leavers' Mass

Today we celebrated the Year 6 leavers Mass with Fr Alvan. The children celebrated their time at St Mary and St Peter's along with parents and family members, the Year 5's, and members of our church community. The children had chosen the hymns and written the prayers and reflections.

Gospel Values

Every person is a valued member of our community, invited to follow Christ's call to a life of love, hope and forgiveness. We respect and support each other to live in peace. We embrace challenge and develop the courage to create a better world for us 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





Mini Vinnies - RSPCA Visit

Today, the Mini Vinnies arranged for the RSPCA to come in to lead workshops with every class. The children learned about the correct way to handle animals, care for them and all about the valuable work the charity does in rescuing animals, informing owners about appropriate care and ensuring we are all stewards of God's creations. Thank you for all your donations in supporting their amazing work.



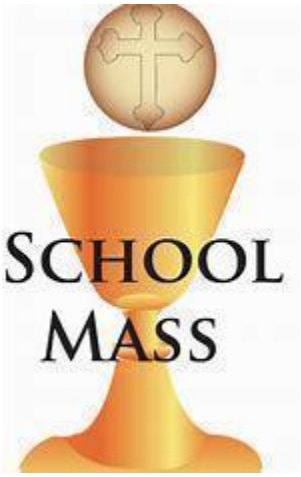




Mass - St Peter and St Paul

On Friday 27th June, we held a special Mass in school for the Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul to honor the two great apostles Peter and Paul. St. Peter, one of the Twelve and the chief of the Apostles, the Rock upon which Christ built His Church, and St. Paul "called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God" (Romans 1:1) and Apostle to the Gentiles. Together they are

'Set Sail for Success'



Mass is on Friday 27th June in school at 10am.

honored as founders of the Church of Rome, having been separately martyred there during the reign of Emperor Nero.

"Christian tradition has always considered Sts. Peter and Saint Paul to be inseparable: indeed, together, they represent the whole Gospel of Christ." (Pope Benedict XVI)



Thank you to everyone who attended. Our final Mass of the year will be held at St Peter's Church on Friday 18th July at 10am. Parents and parishioners are very welcome to join us.

Jubilee Pledge Arts and Craft Sale

The Jubilee Pledge for SMSP was shared at the Trust Mass: We pledge to express our faith and hope creatively, using our talents to bring joy and inspiration to others. To begin our work towards this, we will be holding an Arts and Crafts sale after school on Wednesday 9th July from 3 - 3:45pm. You will be able to view creations made by your child in school which represent hope and faith. Anyone wishing to purchase their child's work can make a donation which will be given to a charity chosen by the children. We will set up stalls in the school hall so please come along and view/purchase the children's work.



Year 5 Trip to Flixton Aviation Museum

Earlier this week, Year 5 visited Flixton Aviation Museum to support their knowledge and understanding of the Second World War. They viewed special displays including Link Trainers, Boulton & Paul, RAF Decoy Crews, aircraft models, 1940s Home Front and wreckology. They also looked at other exhibits including aero engines, weaponry, uniforms, personal effects, and

everything connected with aviation. The children were absolutely brilliant and asked thoughtful and insightful questions.







KS1 Trip to Thrigby

On Thursday, Year 1 and Year 2 visited Thrigby to learn more about animals and their habitats. They all had an amazing time and came back with a much improved understanding of the Science Topic. A big thank you to the parent helpers who gave up their time to support the children on the visit.





Sporting Success - Girls Football

After a long-awaited reschedule of the match, Mr Lambert and Mr Petersen took the Year 5 / 6 girls' team to Wroughton. They had trained diligently at lunchtimes and their hard-work and efforts paid off. Playing together seamlessly as a team, the girls won the match 6 - 0. A brilliant result girls!

National Writing Day

On 25th June we celebrated National Writing Day at SMSP. Our theme was 'Future' and the children had great fun writing science fiction stories, diary entries from outer space, describing aliens and robots they had invented, writing letters to their future selves and future teachers, and writing poetry on our chosen theme. In the afternoon Key Stage 1 shared their writing with each other during DEAR time.





KS1 Danceathon

In their RE lessons this half term, key stage 1 has been learning about how to help their local community. They have voted and decided to raise money for EACH (East Anglian Children's Hospice) by completing a sponsored dance.

Their sponsored dance will be in the school hall from 09:00-11:00 on Wednesday 9th July and KS1 children can come to school wearing their party clothes. Somebody must be constantly dancing at all times!

The children chose EACH because they help children who are unwell to be happy and comfortable when they can't live at home. They have lovely parks and the children get their own rooms. They even have specially designed accessible parks for all of their children to enjoy. They need donations to keep this amazing cause running.

Thank you for giving generously and helping the children to raise money for EACH and helping children in our local area with lifelong illnesses. Please either send in cash or pay on wisepay

FRIENDS News



Year 6 Transition Dates

Notre Dame 10th July

Important Dates for the term:

Wednesday 9th July Arts and Crafts Sale 3 - 3:45pm

Wednesday 9th July KS1 Danceathon

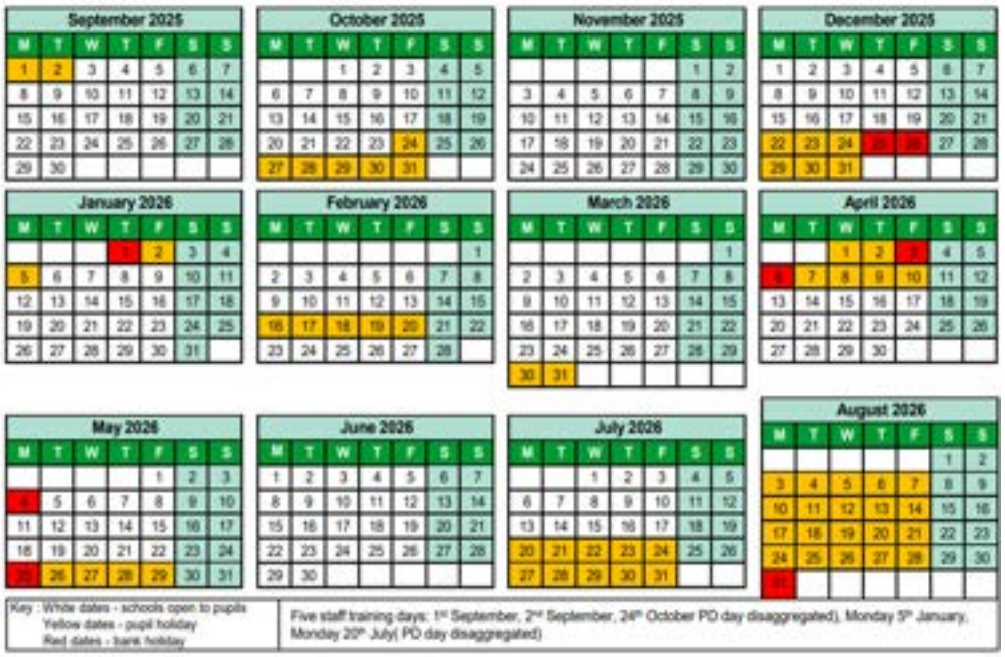
Friday 11th July Sports Day Rec/KS1am and KS2 pm

Wednesday 16th July Reserve Sports Day

Dates for the next academic year

St John the Baptist Catholic Multi Academy Trust

2025-2026



Key : White dates - schools open to pupils Yellow dates - pupil holiday Red dates - bank holiday	Five staff training days: 1st September, 2nd September, 24th October PD day disaggregated), Monday 5th January, Monday 20th July(PD day disaggregated)