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).



Welcome

Welcome to the 2025–2026 academic year! It has been a joy to see the children return with such bright smiles and positive energy during their first week back. We are looking forward to an exciting year ahead, filled with new opportunities, learning, and growth.

A particularly warm welcome to all our new families. We are honoured that you have chosen St Mary and St Peter's to be a part of your child's educational journey. We are delighted to welcome you into our school community and hope you quickly feel at home. Should you have any questions or require support, please do not hesitate to contact the school office, your child's class teacher, a member of the Senior Leadership Team, or Mrs Goddard and Mrs Armstrong.

By the end of next week, your child will have received their class newsletter, containing key information for this half term. As we are a paperless school, all communication will be sent electronically. Please ensure you regularly check your email inbox so you don't miss any important updates.

Finally, at St Mary and St Peter's, as we **'set sail for success'**, your feedback is invaluable in helping us achieve this. We greatly value open communication with our families. If you see us in the mornings or after school, please feel free to stop for a chat — your thoughts and perspectives are always appreciated.

Together — staff, parents, and pupils — we create a nurturing and inspiring environment where every child can thrive and succeed.

Prayer

Lord of Wisdom, I entrust this school year into Your hands. Guide the children and teachers to achieve excellence through Your grace. Fill every classroom with peace and understanding.
Grant focus and diligence to all as they learn and teach. Strengthen every child to embrace new challenges with courage and every teacher to lead with wisdom and patience. Let this school year be fruitful, glorifying Your name in all its achievements. Amen.

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

Start of year Mass

We are delighted to welcome Father Alvan back to school for our first Mass of the school year. Mass begins at 10am in the school hall and parents are warmly invited to attend if they can.

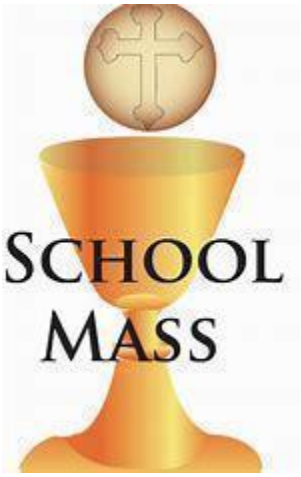
Shoebox Appeal

This term, we are working in collaboration with Operation Christmas Child - Samaritan's Purse. We need to collect shoeboxes which can later be filled with Christmas presents for children. Any donations of empty shoe boxes to the school to be used in the appeal would be greatly appreciated and can be dropped off with Mrs Coe in the office. Thank you to those who have already donated.

FRIENDS News



‘Set Sail for Success’



Mass is on Friday 12th September in school at 10am.

Everyone is welcome to attend to reflect on all the hard work the group has carried out this year and to find out how to become a member and show your support for our fantastic school.

Dates for this half term

Monday 1st September PD Day (no children in school)

Tuesday 2nd September PD Day (no children in school)

Wednesday 3rd September School Opens for the Autumn Term to children

Thursday September 11th FRIENDS AGM at 9am in the school hall

Friday 12th September Mass 10am

Monday 15th September Roald Dahl Day

Thursday 18th September Notre Dame Open Evening in Norwich

Thursday 18th September 2:30pm - 3pm Year 6 residential parent meeting

Tuesday 23rd and Wednesday 24th September SEND parents’ meetings

Friday 26th September Schools’ Mass at St John the Baptist Cathedral

Wednesday 8th - Friday 10th October Year 6 residential at Horstead

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