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 for the Easter Season

Risen Jesus,
We rejoice that you are alive and with us.
Make us messengers of Easter joy and hope
for all the world.
Amen



Mini Vinnie's Lent Activities

This half term, our Mini Vinnies have shown remarkable dedication, compassion, and leadership within our school community. Their hard work and commitment to living out our gospel values have made a real difference to others.

Each week, the Mini Vinnies thoughtfully prepared and led prayer sessions for the whole school, focusing on the Stations of the Cross. In addition to this, the group has shown great empathy and awareness for those who may feel lonely. As part of the Heart-to-Heart SVP Lent challenge, they created an informative display in the school library. This display encourages other children to think about loneliness and consider simple ways they can reach out and support others.

Mrs Hardman is incredibly proud of the Mini Vinnies for their kindness, initiative, and commitment to helping those in need.

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

'Set Sail for Success'





The Spiritual Garden – Mini Vinnies

The Mini Vinnies have been working incredibly hard to improve our spiritual garden, showing great care, teamwork, and dedication throughout the project. Over the past few weeks, they have taken part in litter picking to tidy the space, planted wildflower seeds to encourage nature to flourish, and thoughtfully designed how the area can be used by everyone in our school community.

As part of their plans, the children decided they would love the garden to be a place where whole classes can come together for reflection and quiet time. To make this possible, they have carefully measured the space in preparation for installing benches that will allow an entire class to sit comfortably.

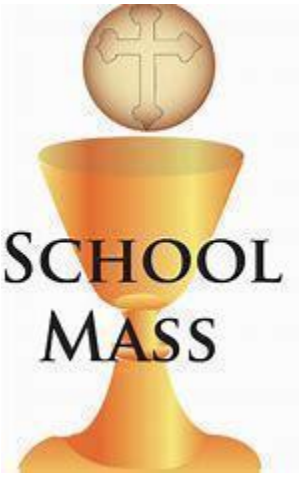
In addition, the Mini Vinnies have chosen to include a bird bath at the centre of the garden, helping to attract wildlife and create a peaceful, welcoming environment for both people and nature.

We are very proud of their enthusiasm and commitment to making our spiritual garden a calm and beautiful space for all to enjoy.









Friday 22nd May
Pentecost
All welcome to attend

Big Lent Walk

We are delighted to share that our total for The Big Lent Walk is £191.

Thank you so much for your generosity and support, it is greatly appreciated and will make a real difference our global family.

Well done to everyone who took part!



Easter Bonnet parade

We had a fantastic time celebrating with our Easter Bonnet Parade! The children came in wearing a wonderful range of creative and colourful hats. It was lovely to see everyone getting involved and having so much fun together. Thanks to your generosity, we raised £46.35, which will go towards supporting our school activities. Thank you to everyone who took part and helped make the day such a success!



The Knights of St Columbia Competition Winners
All the children took part in the East Anglia & Brentwood Province Easter Art Competition, and we are delighted to share their fantastic achievement. The children showed great creativity and effort in producing their artwork. We are especially proud to announce that we achieved success in the Painting on Scene category for both Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2.

We were delighted with 2 prize winners:

Key Stage 1
3rd Place - Meadow - Year 1
Key Stage 2
3rd Place - Isla Adams - Year 5

Year 1 - Antarctica



Year 1 were delighted to welcome Jenny Merkis into class this week to speak to the children about her trip to Antarctica. The children have been learning all about the continent of Antarctica and had so many questions to ask her. They were particularly excited to hear about the penguins who were apparently very stinky!

Congratulations

Isabella

Isabella competed at the Karate Eastern Open, she did very well she entered into 1 event and got joint 1st and had a playoff and lost by 1, she came away with a Silver Medal allowing her to qualify for GB karate trials.



Kayah

Kayah took part in the prestigious WUKF British Open Championship in Crawley — and what a performance it was.

Across both days, she demonstrated far more than skill. She showed true determination, perseverance, courage, and outstanding sportsmanship — qualities that define not just a competitor, but a champion in the making.

Her hard work and spirit were reflected in an incredible achievement: bringing home 7 medals.



End of Day Collection Arrangements

A gentle reminder that if there are any changes to who will be collecting your child at the end of the school day, you must inform the school office or your child's class teacher in advance.

If this is a permanent change to your child's collection arrangements, please ensure the office is notified so that we can update our records accordingly.

These procedures are in place to ensure the safety of all children, and we appreciate your support in helping us maintain this.

We are collecting old glasses

We are supporting the Great Yarmouth Lions Club by collecting old glasses. There is a collection bin in the front entrance.



Upcoming Events

Dates for the Summer Term

Friday 1st May - Eco Assembly with Anglian Water

Monday 4th May - Bank Holiday

11th - 14th May - Y6 SATS week free breakfast club for year 6. Please book on Wisepay under SATS breakfast club

22nd May - Whole school Mass - Pentecost

25th - 29th May - Half Term

Friday 19th June - Trust Schools' Mass

Friday 26th June - Mass for St Peter and St Paul in the school Hall

Tuesday 30th June - Whole school transition day

Monday 6th July - Reception and KS1 disco (FRIENDS) book on Wisepay

Friday 3rd July - Leavers' Mass 1.30pm

Wednesday 15th July - KS2 disco book on Wisepay followed by Y6 leavers' event (FRIENDS)

Friday 17th July - end of year Mass

Term dates 25-26



