



St. Felix RC Primary School

March 2019 Newsletter



Pope Francis@Pontifex March 25th

May the Blessed Virgin help everyone, especially young people, to follow the path of peace and fraternity, based on welcome and forgiveness, on respect for others, and on the love that is the gift of self.

Message from Mrs Dodds

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have nearly made it to Easter and it has been a great term.

As we return after Easter we will of course have an increased focus on student performance with SATS in Y6. We will be sending home some resources for you to support your child over Easter if you wish to. This is not homework but we are frequently asked by parents how can they prepare their child and it gives you a useful insight into the high expectations the DfE has for the pupils in this age group.

I am sure you are aware that next year Multiplication Tests for Year 4 will become statutory. We are hoping to trial these this year if possible and the salient feature is that it is a strictly timed online test and students have twenty seconds to respond. This may help you when practising times tables at home regularly from year 2 upwards.

Also in the news has been the changes to RSE – Relationships and Sex Education. We will continue to use the 'Journey in Love' resources which are approved by the Diocese and have been adapted to meet the new legislation requirements which become mandatory in September 2020. Further information about this next term.

Best wishes and have a lovely Easter,

Mrs A Dodds

Upcoming Events

Date	Event	Location
Friday 29 th March	Mother's Day Gift Room	Studio
Thursday 4 th April	Lenten Service - The Passion Tableaux in school	Hall
Friday 5 th April	End of Spring Term	
Tuesday 23 rd April	Summer Term Starts	
Wednesday 24 th April	Resurrection Mass in Church	Church
Thursday 25 th April	Suffolk School Agricultural Show Y3&4	
Monday 29 th April	Y4 Swimming Starts	

Science Saturday March 16th

Five pupils from St Felix attended the Science Outreach Day at St Benedict's. All of them reported having a great time and we had a lovely email from St Benedict's to commend them for the excellent behaviour and participation. Well done girls.



We have recently seen some pupils arriving at school with more extreme haircuts. Please ensure hairstyles are appropriate for learning at a **primary** school. There is plenty of time to be an adult in later life.

Roof and Solar Panels

As you can see from the scaffolding we are having the final part of the roof works undertaken and it should all be finished by Easter and the scaffolding removed. A secondary project spearheaded by the Diocese is the erection of solar panels on our roof. This is through Solar for Schools and should also be completed before Easter.

Hockey Success

Two mixed teams from Y3/4 attended a Hockey tournament last week and came first and third. Well done to the sportswomen and men involved and many thanks to Miss Chambers for organising it.

Laptops

We have 6 laptops active in KS2 and 4 more awaiting their software update. This has made a big difference to learning and is all thanks to the initiative and hard work of the HSA and your support of their events.

Many thanks from all the pupils.



The Gospel Show – Y3 and 4 production Monday 25th and Tuesday 26th March

I thoroughly enjoyed the Easter production performed by Year 3 and 4 and am really proud of the standard they achieved. Thanks for your support with costumes and line learning. An extra huge thanks to the LKS2 team for all their hard work.



Interim Monitoring Visit

On Friday 29th March we are having a visit from the Diocese to check how RE is taught and how the Catholic life of the school is developed. This is not the full inspection but we will be sharing with them your comments from the parent questionnaire you completed in the autumn. Some parents expressed a wish to be involved in more school Masses. In response we will be having Key Stage Masses in school in May with Father Michael. By focusing on a single Key Stage we will have room to accommodate parents so please do join us in the Hall.

Tuesday May 7th 9am Key Stage 1 Mass
Tuesday 21st May 9am Key Stage 2 Mass



St Felix Dates for 2019

Lenten Service - The Passion Tableaux in school

Thursday 4th April 9:15

End of Spring Term

Friday 5th April

Summer Term Starts

Tuesday 23rd April

Resurrection Mass in Church

Wednesday 24th April 9:30

Suffolk School Agricultural Show Y3&4

Thursday 25th April

Y4 Swimming Starts

Monday 29th April

Young Carers Assembly

Tuesday 30th April

Parents Transition Meeting for Samuel Ward

Wednesday 1st May 5:30

Bank Holiday

Monday 6th May

KS1 Mass in School – Parents Welcome

Tuesday 7th May 9:00

Father Michael is 80

Friday 10th May Lunch

Y6 Tests

13th - 16th May

KS2 Mass in School – Parents Welcome

Tuesday 21st May 9:00

Half Term

27th - 31st May

Parent Partnerships UKS2 / KS1

Tuesday 4th June

Parent Partnerships EYFS / LKS2

Thursday 6th June

Pentecost Celebration

Monday 10th June 2pm

Phonics Screening Y1

June 10th – 14th

Father's Day Gift Room

Thursday and Friday 13th – 14th June

Governor Monitoring Day

Monday 17th June

HSA Non Uniform Day

Tuesday 18th June

KS1 Trip to Wandlebury Park

Tuesday 25th June

Sports Day

Thursday 27th June

Non Uniform Day and Summer Fete

Friday 28th June

Reserve Sports Day

Tuesday 2nd July

Activity Week

8th -12th July

Summer Performance Y5/6

Wednesday 10th July

Y6 Leavers Mass

Friday 12th July 2pm

Y6 Transition Week

15th – 19th July

Thanksgiving Mass in Church

Thursday 18th July 9:30

End of Term

Friday 19th July

Start of Autumn Term

Wednesday 4th September