

St. Felix RC Primary School January 2022 Newsletter



To really know people, we need to recognize them and recognize that each of them bears the inviolable beauty of a son or daughter of God, a reflection of the Creator's image. January 13th 2022 Pope Francis

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year. Thank you for all your good wishes and Christmas gifts.

Our Covid rates this term have increased as we experience the Omicron wave. There are currently 8 cases in school among pupils and 3 amongst staff. When cases in a single class reach 10% or more, we treat that class as a bubble and the pupils eat and play away from their peers. Once levels reduce, any restrictions are removed.

To help reduce transmission in classes where rates are higher, parents will be informed and asked to carry our daily LFT for those pupils. Thank you to those of you who have been recognising when your child is unwell and taking a Covid test. That really helps to reduce inschool transmission.

Following recent complaints, can I please remind you that when driving your child into school you should treat other road users with respect. No-one should be subject to verbal abuse because they are experiencing the same traffic difficulties as yourself. Please also bear in mind that some local residents need access to their driveways and these should not be blocked by selfish parking behaviour.

Best Wishes,

Mrs Dodds

Upcoming Dates

Y6 Class Mass Tuesday 18th January Y5H Class Mass Governor Monitoring Day Y5M Class Mass

Father Michael's Anniversary 7th - 11th February Children's Mental Health Week EYFS/KS1 Liturgies

KS1 Trip to Duxford Non-Uniform Day - Change the Rules

Y4 Class Mass

CAFOD Assembly Half Term

Spring Parent Consultations

Tuesday 25th January Thursday 27th January Tuesday 1st February Monday 7th February

Tuesday 8th February Wednesday 9th February Friday11th February

Tuesday 15th February Thursday 17th February 21st - 25th February

Monday 7th March - Thursday 10th March



As you may be aware, Caritas East Anglia was set up in the diocese some years ago to support the poor and the marginalised.

In the Synod that Pope Francis has called, he is asking that all the people of God are given a voice, as the Holy Spirit speaks not just through him, or bishops, but through everyone – and often those on the margins of society or of the Church.

As part of this Synodal Pathway, Caritas is holding two online events — 3 Feb at 1pm & 10 Feb at 7.30pm - to listen to those on the margins of the Church. Be part of the Synod - we want to hear your voice! More information: https://www.rcdea.org.uk/synod-zoom-meetings-to-reach-those-on-the-margins/ Any questions and to register, email Jacinta Welch: caritas@rcdea.org.uk



The new Lent challenge is here!

Our school community will join thousands of others throughout the nation to help stamp out hunger one step at a time.

We will be joining CAFOD's Walk Against Hunger appeal and committing to walk 40,000km – once around the world - in solidarity with the 200 million children whose lives are at risk because of malnutrition.

CAFOD is an international development charity and the official aid agency of the Catholic Church in England and Wales.

Please look out for further details of our JustGiving page in February

Staffing

Miss Grant has joined us in Donaldson until Easter and Mrs Plumb will be teaching in Inkpen on Monday and Tuesday alongside Mrs Call on Wednesday - Friday.

Book Chains are back

Please encourage your child's love of reading by helping them to take part in their class book chain. We are especially keen to have as many boys as girls involved.





Parentview

The school is due an Ofsted inspection.

However you don't have to wait and can comment on the work of the school at any time using:

https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/

Covid Restrictions

As a level 2 school, Suffolk County Council Public Health is advising;

- Staff in education settings to wear face coverings in communal areas outside of the classroom.
- Specialist, primary, secondary, further and higher education settings to restrict entry to their site to essential visitors.
- Any visitors to wear a face covering while on-site, this includes adults collecting children in the playground.

St Felix Dates for 2021-22

Back to School

Epiphany Mass in Church

Y6 Class Mass Y5H Class Mass

Governor Monitoring Day

Y5M Class Mass

Father Michael's Anniversary Children's Mental Health Week

EYFS/KS1 Liturgies KS1 Trip to Duxford Non-Uniform Day Y4 Class Mass CAFOD Assembly

Half Term

Y3/4 Class Mass

Ash Wednesday Distribution of Ashes

World Book Day

Spring Parent Consultations

LKS2 Easter Play Non-Uniform Day

End of Term Start of Term

Spring Bank Holiday KS2 SATS Week

Half term

Pentecost Celebrations Year 1 Phonics Check

Year 4 Multiplication Check Y6 Kingswood Residential Governor Monitoring Day Reports out to parents

End of Term

Wednesday 5th January

Thursday 6th January 1:30pm

Tuesday 18th January Tuesday 25th January Thursday 27th January Tuesday 1st February Monday 7th February 7th - 11th February Tuesday 8th February

Friday 11th February Tuesday 15th February Thursday 17th February

Wednesday 9th February

21st - 25th February
Tuesday 1st March
Wednesday 2nd March
Thursday 3rd March

Monday 7th March - Thursday 10th March Monday 28th and Tuesday 29st March

Friday 8th April Friday 8th April Tuesday 26th April Monday 2nd May

Monday 9th – Thursday 12th May

 27^{th} May -3^{rd} June Monday 6th June $6^{th} - 24^{th}$ June $6^{th} - 24^{th}$ June $8^{th} - 10^{th}$ June

Thursday 14th June Friday 15th July Wednesday 20th July

St Felix Dates for 2022-23

PD Day Thursday 1st September and Friday 2nd September No pupils

Pupils back to School Monday 5th September

PD Day Friday 21st October No pupils

Half term 24th – 28th October End of Term Friday 16th December

PD Day Tuesday 3rd January - No pupils

Pupils back to School Wednesday 4th January
Half Term 13th – 17th February
End of Term Friday 31st March

Pupils back to School Monday 17th April
Half Term 29th May – 2nd June
End of Term Thursday 20th July

PD Day Friday 21st July - No pupils