



St. Felix RC Primary School

March 2023 Newsletter

Every human person is sacred and inviolable. To ensure that a society has a future, it is necessary that a sense of respect be matured for the dignity of every person, no matter in what condition they find themselves.

21 March Pope Francis

Dear Parents and Carers,

The kitchen works are finishing today and we will be providing hot meals from Monday. The kitchen has been blessed by Father John.

Sadly, at the end of April we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Watson in her role as Wraparound Leader. She will be replaced in this role by Miss Bacon and we are currently recruiting for a new Wraparound Assistant.

I am looking forward to the LKS2 Easter performance on Monday and Tuesday. They have had the added challenge of chickenpox amongst key roles to contend with in their rehearsals but have kept their focus.

Thank you for your feedback during the parent consultations. The vast majority of parents who responded disagreed with the Ofsted grading of inadequate. 98% felt their child had learnt to read successfully and 98% felt the EYFS curriculum was effective. This is really heartening for us to hear during this challenging recovery period.

Best wishes,

Mrs A Dodds

Upcoming Dates

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| LKS2 Easter Play | Monday 27 th and Tuesday 28 th March |
| Y4 visit Easter Experience | Tuesday 28 th March |
| End of Term | Friday 31 st March |
| Start of Term | Monday 17 th April |
| Y4 Swimming | Monday 24 th April |
| Spring Bank Holiday | Monday 1 st May |
| Coronation Pomp and Poetry | Friday 6 th May |
| Coronation Bank Holiday | Monday 8 th May |
| KS2 SATS Week | Tuesday 9 th May – Friday 12 th May |

Ofsted Update

Area for Improvement 3 *Improve reading curriculum by ensuring pupils enjoy a wide range of rich and varied texts and build their understanding of literature to effectively learn how to interpret and consider these texts.*

This half term reading has been monitored for all pupils but with a focus on the first 20% of pupils. Little Wandle Keep Up and Catch Up programmes are having significant success across YrR-5.

Reading outcomes in class have been improved through adaptations to texts and pre-teaching for key pupils. Pupils speak positively about the texts they are reading.



On the last day of term 31st March, we will be undertaking our [CAFOD Big Lent Walk](#). We would like pupils to wear something big alongside their normal school uniform for the walk which will take place on the field or playground depending on the weather. We will be aiming to walk at least 10 miles collectively as a school that day. It can be a hat, a bow, a pair of socks, sunglasses - anything bigger than they would normally wear.

We would ask that each pupil donates at least £1 which will go directly to CAFOD for their excellent work overseas. If your family circumstances dictate that this is not possible, we do understand and your child will not be disadvantaged in any way.

Attendance

School attendance is very important
The highest attendance for the week.

3/3 Donaldson Class 98.9%

10/3 Potter Class 99.1%

17/3 Inkpen and Morpurgo Class 100%

24/3 Donaldson Class 99.45%

Internet Safety

Does your home have an open door to online child sexual abusers?

Increasingly, young people are being contacted in their own homes on online platforms and apps and asked for sexual pictures and videos, while their parents and carers are totally unaware.

There is a significant rise in children being groomed and coerced online by abusers into sexual activities often in their own bedrooms and bathrooms. Those abusers record this content via webcams or livestreaming services and share it across their networks online. This type of child sexual abuse is now the predominant type of sexual abuse imagery found on the internet.

This is happening now, and it can happen to anyone's child. But you can do something about it; **you can help prevent it** happening to your child:

TALK to your child about online sexual abuse. Start the conversation – and listen to their concerns.

AGREE to ground rules about the way you use technology as a family.

LEARN about the platforms and apps your child loves. Take an interest in their online life.

KNOW how to use tools, apps and settings that can help to keep your child safe online.

<https://talk.iwf.org.uk/> - to find out more



St Felix Dates for 2022-23

Back to School

Y5 Swimming Starts

New Term Mass at School

Meet the Teacher Open Morning

KS2 Information Evening / Kingswood Info

Y5/6 Class Mass

Kingswood – Y5 Residential

Y3/4 Mass

HSA AGM

Governor Monitoring Morning

Harvest Service in School/CAFOD/Food Bank

Y6 Class Mass

Y5 Class Mass

Autumn Parent Consultations

Non Uniform HSA

Half Term

All Saints Mass

EYFS Open Morning – New Parents

Y3 Class Mass

Remembrance Service in school

EYFS/KS1 Class Liturgies

Advent Wreath Service in School

Nativity Performances

Reconciliation Service

HSA Disco

Christmas Jumper/Turnaround

Christmas Lunch

Christmas Tableaux and Carols KS2 led

End of Term

Back to School

Epiphany Mass in Church

HSA Disco

KS2 Mass

KS1 Liturgy

Monitoring Morning

EYFS Liturgy

NSPCC Number Day

Children's Mental Health Week

HSA Non-uniform

Half Term

Monday 5th September

Monday 12th September 10am

Thursday 8th September 2pm

Friday 9th September 9am Y1-Y6 only

Monday 19th September from 5pm

Thursday 22nd September 2:15pm

28th- 30th September

Thursday 29th September 2:15pm

Monday 3rd October 3:30pm

Thursday 6th October

Friday 7th October 1:30pm

Thursday 20th October 1pm

Thursday 20th October 2:15pm

Monday 17th– Thursday 20th October

Thursday 20th October

Friday 21st - Friday 28th October

Monday 31st October 2pm

Tuesday 8th November 9:30-10:30am

Thursday 10th November 2:15pm

Friday 11th November

Thursday 17th November 1:15pm

Thursday 1st December 2:30pm

Monday 5th and Tuesday 6th December

Thursday 8th December 2pm

Thursday 8th December

Friday 9th December

Thursday 15th December

Friday 16th December 1:30pm

Friday 16th December

Wednesday 4th January

Friday 6th January 2pm

January TBC

Thursday 19th January 2:15pm

Thursday 26th January 2:15pm Governor

Thursday 2nd February

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Friday 3rd February

6th-11th February

Friday 10th February

13th – 17th February

Ash Wednesday Distribution of Ashes
Stations of the Cross
World Book Day (Bedtime Stories EYFS/KS1)
Spring Parent Consultations
St Felix Day Mass
Reconciliation Service
Young Shakespeare Company UKS2
LKS2 Easter Play
Y4 visit Easter Experience

End of Term

Start of Term

Y4 Swimming Starts
Spring Bank Holiday
Coronation Pomp and Poetry
Coronation Bank Holiday
KS2 SATS Week
HSA Disco

Ascension Mass in Church

Half term

50th Anniversary Celebrations
Year 1 Phonics Check
Year 4 Multiplication Check
Governor Monitoring Morning

St Peter and St Paul

UKS2 Play at Arts Centre

Summer Fayre

Sports Day

Reports out to parents

Y6 Leavers Mass – Parents welcome

Move Up Morning

End of Year Thanksgiving Mass

End of Term

2023-24

Autumn term

PD Days Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th September

Pupils In Wednesday 6th September

PD Day Friday 20th October

Half term Monday 23 October 2023 to Friday 27 October 2023

Ends Wednesday 20 December 2023

Spring term

PD day Wednesday 3rd January 2024

Pupils In 4th January 2024

Wednesday 22nd February 2:30pm

Fridays in Lent 2:45

Thursday 2nd March (5-5:30pm)

Monday 6th March - Thursday 9th March

Wednesday 8th March 2pm

Thursday 23rd March 2pm

Friday 24th March 1pm

Monday 27th and Tuesday 28th March

Tuesday 28th March

Friday 31st March

Monday 17th April

Monday 24th April

Monday 1st May

Friday 6th May

Monday 8th May

Tuesday 9th May – Friday 12th May

Thursday 18th May

Thursday 18th May 1:30pm

29th May – 2nd June

Friday 9th June

12th – 16th June

5th – 23rd June

Thursday 22nd June

Thursday 29th June

Friday 7th July

Friday 14th July

TBC

Friday 14th July

Tuesday 18th July 9:30am

Wednesday 19th July

July 20th 1:30pm

Thursday 20th July

Half term Monday 19 February 2024 to Friday 23 February 2024
Ends Thursday 28 March 2024

Summer term

PD Day Friday 12th April 2024
Pupils In Monday 15th April
Half term Monday 27 May 2024 to Friday 31 May 2024
Ends Friday 19 July 2024