

St. Felix RC Primary School December 2021 Newsletter



Life is a time for making decisive, eternal choices. Trivial choices lead to a trivial life; great choices to a life of greatness. In fact, we become what we choose. If we choose God, we grow daily in his love, and if we choose to love others, we find true happiness. December 13th 2021 Pope Francis

Dear Parents and Carers,

I imagine you are as tired as we are after a long and busy term.

We have been able to undertake most of our Advent plans such as the Nativity Plays, Christmas Lunch, Turnaround Morning and the Carol Service. It has been a joy to have you as part of our activities where possible because so many Christmas events are about community.

The HSA were unable to have the Christmas Fayre due to Covid restrictions but a huge thanks to Lisa and her team for their hard work to create a fabulous raffle. Thank you to all those who bought tickets and provided donations. A few winners still need to collect their prizes.

We have continued to have low numbers of Covid cases and our total cases this term are just 6. Pupils who are identified as close contacts should continue to attend the setting and take daily LFD tests for 7 days. If symptoms start or a positive LFD is recorded, you should seek a confirmatory PCR. Please inform us of any positive tests over the Christmas holidays via admin@st-felixrc.suffolk.sch.uk

Thank you for all your support this term to keep our cases low and for the Christmas messages and gifts we have received.

I hope you have a lovely Christmas and a safe and peaceful New Year.

Best Wishes,

Mrs Dodds

Upcoming Dates

Christmas Tableaux and Carols KS2 led Thursday 16th December 1:30pm

End of Term Friday 17th December Back to School Wednesday 5th January

Epiphany Mass in Church Thursday 6th January 1:30pm

Y6 Class Mass
Tuesday 18th January
Y5H Class Mass
Tuesday 25th January
Governor Monitoring Day
Thursday 27th January



Staffing

From January Miss Murray will be our Assistant Head. Miss Grant will be joining us in Donaldson until Easter and Mrs Dodds will be teaching in Inkpen for two days week.

Mr Thirkell will join us after Easter as the new KS1 Lead.

We wish Mrs Shirm and Mrs Garwood all the best for the next stage in their lives and many thanks for all their hard work and commitment to St Felix in recent years.

SNOW

We plan to remain open in all but the most exceptional circumstances. However, if it is necessary to close or partially close the school the following process will be followed.

A decision is made by Mrs Dodds who contacts Suffolk County Council who share the information with school closures website

(http://schoolclosures.suffolk.gov.uk).

This information is used by local radio stations.

We will also send a parentmail to all parents if the school is closed for severe weather. Please ensure your details are up to date



Driving

Please drive with care if you have permission to use the staff car park. We have had a number of reports of people driving without sufficient restraint.

ST FELIX CHURCH CHRISTMAS MASSES:

Christmas Eve, Friday 24th December 2021:

5.00 p.m. – CHILDREN'S MASS FOR CHRISTMAS

10.00 p.m. – NATIVITY of the LORD, MASS DURING THE NIGHT

Christmas Day, Saturday 25th December 2021:

10.00 a.m. – NATIVITY of the LORD, MASS DURING THE DAY

Sunday 26th December 2021:

10.00 a.m. – MASS for the FEAST of the HOLY FAMILY

Covid Restrictions

As a level 1 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 and risk assessed on-site events.
- 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 SchoolThursday 2nd SeptemberY5 Swimming StartsTuesday 7th September

New Term Mass in Church Tuesday 7th September 1:30pm

Meet the Teacher Open Morning Thursday 9th September 9:15-9:45am Y1-Y6

KS2 Information Evening / Kingswood Info Monday 13th September from 5:30pm

Kingswood – Y5 Residential Wed 22nd – 24th September

Harvest Mass in Church (Parents Welcome) Friday 1st October 1:30pm Autumn Parent Consultations 18th - 21st October

Half Term 22nd - 29th October
HSA Disco Thursday 4th November

EYFS Open Morning - New Parents Tuesday 9th November 9:30-10:30am

Remembrance Service in school

EYFS/KS1 Class Liturgies

KS2 Mass in School

Thursday 11th November

Tuesday 16th November

Friday 19th November

Advent Wreath Service in School Monday 29th November 9.15am

Nativity Performances 6th and 7th December
Reconciliation Service Thursday 9th December 2pm

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Governor Monitoring Day

Y5M Class Mass

Tuesday 1st February

Tuesday 8th February

Y4 Class Mass

Tuesday 15th February

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Yalf Term

21st - 25th February

Y3/4 Class Mass

Tuesday 1st March

Ash Wednesday Distribution of Ashes

Wednesday 2nd March

World Book Day Thursday 3rd March

Spring Parent Consultations Monday 7th March - Thursday 10th March

LKS2 Easter Play

Monday 28th and Tuesday 29st March

Friday 8th April

Start of TermTuesday 26th AprilSpring Bank HolidayMonday 2nd May

KS2 SATS Week Monday 9th – Thursday 12th May

Half term 27^{th} May -3^{rd} JunePentecost CelebrationsMonday 6th JuneYear 1 Phonics Check $6^{th} - 24^{th}$ JuneYear 4 Multiplication Check $6^{th} - 24^{th}$ JuneY6 Kingswood Residential $8^{th} - 10^{th}$ June

Governor Monitoring Day

Reports out to parents

Friday 15th July

End of Term

Wednesday 20th July

