



St. Felix RC Primary School

October 2021 Newsletter



Jesus asks us to immerse ourselves compassionately in the lives of those we meet as He has done with us. God is love and love is humble, it does not exalt itself, but descends like the rain that falls to the earth and brings life.
Pope Francis October 17th 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a wonderful half term. Although we have been lucky that the impact of Covid on the school has been minimal, the rising cases locally mean we will have to cancel/postpone some of our planned events and all parents will need to wear a mask on the school site after half term - this includes the playground.

The days are starting to shorten and the weather is deteriorating. Please ensure your child has a named coat in school each day as we go outside in most weathers. Please can I remind you that neither trainers nor boots are part of our school uniform. Girls should be in shoes in school. Wellies can be worn for arrival and departure.

Head lice is always a problem in primary schools and for this reason we advise that long hair should be tied back for both boys and girls.

We have some staff changes ahead. Mrs Garwood is leaving Inkpen Class and Mrs Shirm is leaving Donaldson Class. We are sad to say goodbye to both of these valuable teachers as they make a significant contribution to school life. They will leave us at Christmas. We are in the process of recruiting for both roles and I will let you know when I have further news.

I hope you have a fun and safe half-term and we look forward to welcoming you back in November.

Best Wishes,

Mrs Dodds

Upcoming Dates

Half Term	Friday 22 nd - Friday 29 th October
HSA Disco	Thursday 4th November
EYFS Open Morning - New Parents	Tuesday 9th November 9:30-10:30am
Remembrance Service in School	Thursday 11 th November
EYFS/KS1 Class Liturgies	Tuesday 16 th November
KS2 Mass in School	Friday 19 th November
Advent Wreath Service in School	Monday 29 th November 9.15am

E Safety Team

Congratulations to our newly created E Safety Ambassadors: Katrina, Caleb, Kristian, Freya, Annet, Michelle, Zuzanna, Sophia, Millie and Blanka. These Y5 pupils take responsibility for sharing messages and advice to help our pupils stay safe online. They presented an excellent e-safety introduction assembly last Thursday and many thanks to Miss Chambers for her work to support this.

Wellbeing



The well-being of pupils and staff at St Felix is important to all of us, particularly as we recover from the effects of the pandemic on our community.

[Our policy](#) can be found on the school website.

Pupils are enjoying the new clubs and our Relationships, Sex and Health Education curriculum encourages pupils to develop their understanding of managing their emotions. The Ten Ten parent portal enables you to find out what we cover and how you can support this at home.

www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-portal

School Username: st-felix-cb9

School Password: friendly-cat

New Covid Restrictions

From November 1st 2021, 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 only.
- Any visitors to wear a face covering while on-site, this includes adults collecting children in the playground.

Rosary October: Ten Ten have made their [rosary resources](#) available to parents throughout the month of October.

Peer Mentors

A number of our Year 6 pupils have been undertaking training to be peer mentors. The training helps them to develop their active listening skills, recognise how to help without telling people what to do and know when to ask for adult help.

They will be running a drop-in club for KS1 pupils after half term to provide opportunities for peer to peer support.

This is part of our wellbeing strategy and the enthusiasm amongst year 6 to be positive role models has been very encouraging.



I am sure you are aware that you can recycle many of those difficult to recycle items through the above scheme which has a stall on the market the third Friday and Saturday each month.

At school we collect batteries and pens but after half term we will be collecting crisp packets from school lunch boxes to improve our recycling further.

St Felix Dates for 2021-22

Back to School	Thursday 2 nd September
Y5 Swimming Starts	Tuesday 7 th September
New Term Mass in Church	Tuesday 7 th September 1:30pm
Meet the Teacher Open Morning	Thursday 9 th September 9:15-9:45am Y1-Y6
KS2 Information Evening / Kingswood Info	Monday 13 th September from 5:30pm
Kingswood – Y5 Residential	Wed 22 nd – 24 th September
Harvest Mass in Church (Parents Welcome)	Friday 1 st October 1:30pm
Autumn Parent Consultations	18 th - 21 st October
Half Term	22 nd - 29 th October
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Nativity Performances	6 th and 7 th December
Reconciliation Service	Thursday 9 th December 2pm
Christmas Tableaux and Carols KS2 led	Thursday 16 th December 1:30pm
End of Term	Friday 17 th December
Back to School	Wednesday 5 th January
Epiphany Mass in Church	Thursday 6 th January 1:30pm
Y6 Class Mass	Tuesday 18 th January
Y5H Class Mass	Tuesday 25 th January
Governor Monitoring Day	Thursday 27 th January
Y5M Class Mass	Tuesday 1 st February
EYFS/KS1 Liturgies	Tuesday 8 th February
Y4 Class Mass	Tuesday 15 th February
Half Term	21 st - 25 th February
Y3/4 Class Mass	Tuesday 1 st March
Ash Wednesday Distribution of Ashes	Wednesday 2 nd March
World Book Day	Thursday 3 rd March
Spring Parent Consultations	Monday 7 th March - Thursday 10 th March
LKS2 Easter Play	Monday 28 th and Tuesday 29 th March
End of Term	Friday 8 th April
Start of Term	Tuesday 26 th April
Spring Bank Holiday	Monday 2 nd May
KS2 SATS Week	Monday 9 th – Thursday 12 th May
Half term	27 th May – 3 rd June
Pentecost Celebrations	Monday 6 th June
Year 1 Phonics Check	6 th – 24 th June
Year 4 Multiplication Check	6 th – 24 th June
Y6 Kingswood Residential	8 th -10 th June
Governor Monitoring Day	Thursday 14 th June
Reports out to parents	Friday 15 th July
End of Term	Wednesday 20 th July

