

St. Felix RC Primary School October 2023 Newsletter



Prayer is the meek and holy force to oppose the diabolical force of hatred, terrorism and war.

16 October Pope Francis

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is starting to feel colder so please make sure your child has suitable named clothing in school. Could I also remind you that whilst we now allow earrings, these should be small studs.

It was wonderful to share our Reading for Pleasure morning with so many of you. I love talking about books and it is great to know how many avid readers exist amongst our parent body. Hopefully it has helped you to understand the vital role reading at home plays in a child's academic and social development.

We would like to invite you to join us on Monday 13th November at 9am for a Coffee, Cake and Calculate session with us and Multiply Suffolk. They are keen to support the parents in our school with Maths. This can be finding out how to help with Maths homework or improving your Maths skills to help you at home and at work. This is an initial session to find out what the interest is in our school and what parents would really like help with. Please join us if the bar model or the bus stop method fill you with dread! For working parents, we will be sending out a survey for you to share your views too.

Enjoy the half term and make the most of the autumn days before the winter sets in.

Best wishes,

Mrs A Dodds

Upcoming Dates

Autumn Parent Consultations

Governor Monitoring Morning

Y3 Class Mass

PD day – no pupils

Half Term

All Saints Mass

EYFS/KS1 Class Liturgies

Remembrance Service in school

Coffee, Cake and Calculate for parents

EYFS Open Morning-New Parents

HSA Bags2School

HSA Advent Raffle

Monday 16th – Thursday 19th October

Thursday 19th October

Thursday 19th October 2:15pm

Friday 20th October

Friday 20th - Friday 27th October

Tuesday 31st October 2pm

Thursday 9th November 1:15pm

Friday 10th November

Monday 13th November 9am

Wednesday 15th November 9:30-10:30

Friday 17th November

Monday 27th November

Ofsted Update

We are continuing to work hard on our second Ofsted Action Plan.

This half term we have focused on developing fluency and identifying those pupils who need further opportunities to rehearse their reading before moving on.

Our new SENDCo has spent time in the classrooms getting to know our pupils with SEND and reviewing their provision.

Our Governors have been engaged with further training and will be in school this Thursday to monitor reading across the curriculum.

Our curriculum intent is now securely delivered and we are developing our formative assessment strategies.

Inclusion Quality Mark The school has achieved its IQM!



"St Felix is a happy, supportive and safe space... All the children I spoke to said they liked their school and were happy here.

They were also able to tell me that safeguarding is everyone's responsibility...

The school place a high value on the development of reading... Transition for all new children coming into Early Years is a particular strength."

Would you like to be a Parent Governor at St Felix?

We are looking to recruit a new parent governor – please see the office for an application form.

Y6 Pupil Leaders

After a successful recruitment drive we now have the following pupils in post:

House Captains:

Annmary and Jackson St Catherine
Adah and Afuah St Elizabeth
Alina and Savannah St Francis
Dajuan and Kimberley St Peter

Peer Mentors:

Victoria, Millie, Maja and Lachlan

Reading Leaders:

Isabel, Bella, Faith, Wren and Irin

Digital Leaders:

Oliver, Caitlin, Kaila and Jake

Harvest Collection



Thank you for your amazing generosity on 6th October. We raised £131.45 for Cafod and collected 85.8kg of food for the Reach.

Thinking of applying to join Reception and Nursery at St Felix in 2024?

See Us At Work and Play
Come along and meet the children and
staff at St Felix to see how your child will
thrive in our Early Years environment.

Wednesday 15th November 2022 9:30 -10:30

Please share with other parents who may be interested

The deadline for applying for a place in Reception in September 2024 is 15th January 2024





St Felix Dates for 2023-24

Back to School

Meet the Teacher Open Morning

New Term Mass at School

Y5 Swimming Starts Y5/6 Class Mass

Kingswood Info / KS2 Information Evening

Y4 Class Mass Flu Vaccinations

Kingswood - Y5 Residential

Y6 Class Mass

Diocesan Schools Mass

Harvest Service in School/CAFOD /Food Bank/

Wear something bright

HSA AGM

Individual Photos HSA Non-uniform day

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Advent Wreath Service in School

Nativity Performances EYFS, Y1 and Y2

Flu Vaccinations

Reconciliation Service

Christmas Jumper/Turnaround

HSA Christmas Disco Christmas Lunch

Christmas Tableaux and Carols KS2 led

End of Term

Back to School

New Year Mass in Church

KS2 Mass KS1 Liturgy Wednesday 6th September

Friday 8th September 9am Y1-Y6 only

Friday 8th September 2pm Monday 11th September 10am Thursday 14th September 2:15pm

Monday 18th September from 4:30pm

Thursday 21st September 2:15pm Monday 25th September 12:30 -3pm

27th- 29th September

Thursday 28th September 2:15pm

Friday 29th September

Friday 6th October

Monday 9th October 8pm via Zoom

Thursday 12th October Friday 13th October Thursday 19th October

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Friday 20th - Friday 27th October

Tuesday 31st October 2pm Thursday 9th November 1:15

Friday 10th November

Monday 13th November 9am

Wednesday 15th November 9:30-10:30

Friday 17th November Monday 27th November Friday 1st December 2:30pm

Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th December Wednesday 6th December 8:30 -12pm

Thursday 7th December 2pm

Friday 8th December Thursday 14th December

TBC

Wednesday 20th December 1:30pm

Wednesday 20th December

Thursday 4th January Friday 5th January 2pm

Thursday 18th January 2:15pm Thursday 25th January 2:15pm EYFS Liturgy Thursday 1st February 2:15pm

NSPCC Number Day Friday 2nd February Children's Mental Health Week 5th-11th February

Ash Wednesday Distribution of Ashes Wednesday 14th February

Stations of the Cross Fridays in Lent 2:45 Half Term $19^{th} - 23^{rd}$ February

Spring Parent Consultations Monday 26th - Thursday 29th February

World Book Day Thursday 7th March St Felix Day Mass Friday 8th March

Reconciliation Service TBC

HSA Bags2School Friday 22nd March

LKS2 Easter Play Monday 25th and Tuesday 26th March

Y4 visit Easter Experience TBC

End of Term Thursday 28th March

Start of Term

PD Day – no pupils Friday 12th April
Pupils return Monday 15th April

Resurrection Mass TBC Y4 Swimming Starts TBC

Class Photos Friday 26th April Spring Bank Holiday Monday 6^{th t} May

KS2 SATS Week Monday 13th May – Thursday 16th May

Ascension Mass in Church TBC
Kingswood Information Evening TBC

Half term 27^{th} May -31^{st} MayYear 1 Phonics Check $10^{th} - 14^{th}$ JuneYear 4 Multiplication Check $3^{rd} - 14^{th}$ JuneSports Day and PicnicThursday 4^{th} JulyUKS2 Play at Arts CentreFriday 12^{th} JulyReports out to parentsFriday 12^{th} July

Y6 Ignite Retreat Monday 15th July am
Y6 Leavers Mass – Parents welcome Tuesday 16th July TBC
Move Up Morning Wednesday 17th July TBC

End of Year Thanksgiving Mass Friday July 19th TBC

End of Term Friday 19th July

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

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