

# St. Martha's News

*'Be the best you can be'*



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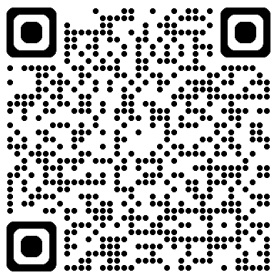
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Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2025

## Catholic Life of the School

### Big Lent Walk

Thank you to those who have already started to donate to CAFOD for our Big Lent Walk. The children have been out walking most days in all weathers. There is still plenty of time to donate if you would like to.



<https://schools.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/fundraising/st-marthas-fundraising-page2025>

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Food Bank this week. We are so grateful to everyone who has donated and I know the Food Bank will be delighted with all that we have collected for those who need it more than we do.

Next week, we will be collecting for the Purfleet Trust who would like donations of Tea, Coffee and Sugar. Please do not

feel that you have to make any donations. It is not compulsory, we just want to provide opportunities for those who would like to give back to those less fortunate than us during the season of Lent.



Thank you for your support in advance.

### **Dates for your diary**

20<sup>th</sup> March 9:30 - Year 6 and 1 Class Mass

Dear Families,

On Monday, St Martha's took two teams to the Bee netball development festival at Lynnsport to play against other teams from West Norfolk. The children were there to enhance the netball skills they have been learning in their P.E lessons this half term and put this into practice in a match situation. St Martha's were complimented on how well they were able to get into space, communicate and watch their footwork. Well

done to Enyimyam and Jovial for being chosen as Players of the Tournament.



### **Safeguarding**

The wellbeing of our children is of paramount importance to all staff. Should any parent have a concern regarding a child's wellbeing, please inform the school's Designated Safeguarding Officers: Mrs. Child, Mrs. Edwards, Miss Annelly and Mrs. Bowman.

Monday was a very busy day as whilst our Year 4 pupils were playing netball, our Year 5s and KS2 Choir travelled to Norwich to perform in the 100th Anniversary of the Norfolk

County Music Festival. Once again, the children performed wonderfully having to adapt to a completely different environment and much smaller stage. All three groups were awarded Highly Commended Plus Performance. Performing the same program from last week's Music For Youth event, the adjudicator commented again on how focused the children were on their conductor. The choir were praised for the 'wonderful sound they produced that filled the entire hall'. 'There were bright faces and wonderful vocal harmonies in Home' from the musical Beetlejuice. Both Year 5 and the Choir were praised for their fantastically 'ambitious' program and performances.

Year 5 were applauded for their 'great singing and playing and their marvellous xylophone players'. 'Imaginative use of buckets for drumming and super cascading sections'. Year 5 Yellow's spoons version of Dave Brubeck's Take 5 was highly praised as the 5/4 time signature is particularly tricky. Year 5 Blue for the 'breadth of their instrument playing' and 'imaginative percussion making'.

Our thanks again to our wonderful Miss Brennock and the support of Mrs Gray and Mrs McGovern, Mrs Waters and Miss Music - Miss Berners whose time support and commitment make these experiences for our children possible. Music making at St Martha's starts when the children join us in Reception and every year group afterwards has their part to play in encouraging participation from the children whether it be class music lessons, participation in our non-auditioned KS1 and KS2 choirs, instrument learning and the performance opportunities these provide.



On Tuesday, Year 6 had an exciting trip to the Norfolk and Suffolk Aviation museum. The children had a great time learning more about WW2. They enjoyed fun activities including using a flight simulator, codebreaking and spending time in an Anderson shelter! The children

trip



behaved impeccably and represented our school really well. Well done year 6, it is lovely to hear such positive feedback from a school trip.

This week in Science, Year 4 have been investigating the pitch of a sound using instruments.



### Happy Birthday!

Reception: Daniel

Year 2: Darrel

Year 3: Nicole, Grayson

Year 5: Freddie

*May God never stop showering you with His blessing*

### Attendance Award

Congratulations to Year 4 Blue with 98.89% attendance this week!

Fantastic!!

**Every day at school counts, helping with learning, developing skills, and building friendships.**



As part of our World Book Day celebration's, the children were given the opportunity to design a bookmark. The winner in KS1 was Rosie and in KS2 it was Evain. It was a very difficult decision as all the entries were brilliant, so well done to these two children.



This week, we had a visit from Mr Hollingsworth, the Headteacher at KES. He wanted to visit as he is so impressed with the behaviour of our pupils who have transitioned to KES this year that he wanted to see what we were doing in school to promote this. He holds the same value of Respect being at the centre of everything we do at school. During his visit, he had a tour of the school, met with Year 5 and 6 and spoke with our pupils who are going to KES next year. He has invited any child/parent who would like a personal tour of the school to get in touch and I would

really advise you doing so. I will authorise any visits during the school day as it is so important you get a feel for a school during the action of the day and not just at an Open Evening. If you are interested, you can get in touch with the school directly.

We would like to share some really exciting news. Miss Sequeira has been selected to play cricket for Portugal. This is a fantastic achievement. She will be jetting off to Portugal during the Easter Holidays to play for Portugal and we wish her all the best and send her our congratulations!

Next Friday, it is Comic Relief (Red Nose Day). We are aware that we have had lots of dressing up days and requests for donations so, like all fundraising days, it is completely optional for your child to wear something red/wear a red nose on Red Nose Day and bring in a small donation. Please do not feel that this is something you have to do, it is an opportunity for those who would like to.



Lastly, a message from our School Council . . . .

Mother's Day gifts are selling fast so don't forget to bring in your money to buy someone you love a treat this Mother's Day.

Remember to bring your purses and wallets for the Mother's Day Raffle - tickets will be for sale at breaktime on Tuesday's and Friday's and after school on Friday. £150 voucher for the Ffolkes and free container golf! You've got to be in it to win it! (See poster below)

Thank you for your support.

Your School Council

Wishing you all a lovely weekend. Please remember it is Parents' Evening next week. Please book in your slot by Monday if you would like to speak to your child's class teacher about their education.

Mrs Edwards



Well done to our Be the best you can be winners this week . . .

Reception: Aayan & Sophia

Year 1: Abhirami & Cataleya

Year 2: Emma & Claudia

Year 3: Nikita & Rosmaria

Year 4: Logan & Ella

Year 5: Adam & Kendall

Year 6: Adam B & Tim

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Dates for your diary . . . more information to follow

2<sup>nd</sup> May – Quiz Night (adults only)

14<sup>th</sup> May – Colour Dash

School Summer Term diary dates will be coming out very soon so keep an eye on the newsletters in the coming weeks.

## Mother's Day Raffle! Win £150 voucher for the Ffolkes Arms Plus Container Golf for up to 6 people!

Raffle tickets will be sold Tuesday and Friday break times and Fridays after school. They will also be available from Year 5 Yellow. Ticket sales will close on 22nd March (Please note: a table for up to 6 people has been booked for Mothering Sunday (30.03.25) but if unsuitable, this voucher can be used anytime).



**Dates for the Diary**  
**Spring Term Dates**

March '25						
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- 18 1 - 7pm Parents Evening - Yr 2, 3 and 6  
6 - 8pm Choir Performing at Schools Make Music @ Corn Exchange
- 19 Year 3 trip to the Library  
1pm - 7pm Parents Evening Year R, 1, 4 & 5
- 20 4 - 5pm Girl's Football League
- 21 Red Nose Day
- 24 - 26 Year 6 to Kingswood
- 24 Ignite visit: Stations of the Cross
- 25 Year 4 Dance Festival at the Corn Exchange
- 26 Reconciliation Service Years 4 & 5
- 27 Reception Hearing and Vision

April '25						
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- 1 Year 3/4 Easter Production (2pm & 6pm)
- 2 9:30 End of Term Mass Years 2- 6  
Year 3/4 Easter Production (2pm & 6pm)
- 3 10am Rock Steady Concert  
4pm Girl's Football League
- 4 End of Term (3:15pm)
- 7 - 21 Easter Holidays (21 Easter Monday)



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Academic year 2024-25

## Wraparound Care for St Martha's Catholic Primary School

Before and after school care every day the school is open to children.



# Premier Education are honoured to be able to provide the wraparound care at your school.



**Our aim is to deliver a top quality, Ofsted registered provision, with a range of stimulating activities in a safe, secure and fun environment, providing an outstanding service for busy parents.**

Parents can relax knowing their children are in safe hands as all staff have experience working with primary school children, have been DBS checked, and hold Emergency First Aid and Safeguarding certificates.

Wraparound care sessions are open to children from Reception to Year 6, with no deposit or registration fee required. Healthy snacks are provided, with specific dietary requirements also being catered for.

## St Martha's Catholic Primary 2024-25

Before School Club:  
7.30am - 8.30am: £5.25

After School options  
3.15pm - 5.45pm: £11.25  
3.15pm - 4.30pm: £6  
4.15pm - 5.45pm: £6

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