

# St. Martha's News

*'Be the best you can be'*



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## Catholic Life of the School

In this week's Gospel, Jesus gives his disciples a very special gift . . . Jesus gives his disciples peace. And he tells his disciples not to be afraid.

**At home, with your family take some time to talk about the following questions:**

- Can you think of a time when you were fighting or arguing with someone? How did you feel?
- Can you remember a time when other people were arguing near you? How did you feel then?
- Can you remember a time when you stopped fighting with someone and made friends with them again? Or when the argument near you ended and the people forgave each other? How did that feel?

CAFOD is a part of a family of Catholic charities around the world called Caritas. CAFOD is supporting their Caritas sisters and brothers to reach communities in need in Ukraine and neighbouring countries because of the war.

Caritas workers have set up places where children living in Ukraine can go to feel safe despite the war. Maria helps run art activities for the children to help them cope with what is going on around them. She says of the children, "We try to play with them, paint together, just create a safe space and make contact."

Some children in other countries around the world where there is lots of fighting or violence go to peace clubs. These clubs focus on sport, music or dancing to bring different children together somewhere safe and to help them to learn to live peacefully together. This helps to build peace in their community.

- How do you think you can build peace? Think about how you speak to and treat others you disagree with, or how you could be friendly to someone who doesn't have many friends?
- What could you do to stop someone else from being unkind to others? Or how could you let people in power know that you would like to live in a peaceful world?
- How will you share the gift of peace this week in your community? And around the world?



We raised £362 for CAFOD during our Big Lent Walk. This is a fantastic amount of money and will go towards buying 90 chickens for the families in Kenya. A big thank you to everyone who donated money to such a worthy cause.

Dear Families,

I can't believe we have come to the end of the penultimate half term! Although it has been a short half term, we have certainly packed in a lot.

## Safeguarding

The wellbeing of our children is of paramount

Year 5 raised the bar on our productions this week with their performances of Macbeth.

The energy, effort and high quality acting and dancing from all the children brought the Shakespearean story to life from beginning to end. The children just keep performing better and better every year, bringing first class performances to



our stage. They

should all be extremely proud of themselves as we definitely are! A huge thank you to the year 5 team and all the staff involved in Macbeth.

Across school this week, the children have had a fantastic time taking part in Science Week at St Martha's. The children have been completing daily science investigations. They have been able to use their scientific skills this week, gathering equipment, predicting and observing what happened for each investigation. Each class I have spoken to have all had a different favourite experience from the week; some loving the 'dancing raisins' while other have enjoyed the 'magic milk.' For other classes the highlight has been threading a wooden skewer through a balloon and not popping it! All of the experiments used household items, showing us how science is all around us. We ended our St Martha's Science Week with a fabulous show from Mad Science. All of the children were so excited by this



experience, having the opportunity to explore concepts from chemistry and physics. It has been wonderful seeing how excited all of the children are about science and I hope the experiences help inspire them to continue enjoying science.

Year 4 have been really enjoying their science learning. Last week, they were making simple electrical circuits using motors, buzzers and light bulbs.



On top of all their science learning, Year 4 enjoyed a trip out of school visiting Stories of Lynn museum and Lynn museum as well as doing an historical walk around King's Lynn to learn all about the Hanseatic league. They have had a great time learning beyond the classroom.

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.

### Happy Birthday!

**Reception: Elaine**

**Year 1: Nicole, Dovydas,  
Jonathan S, Grace**

**Year 2: George**

**Year 3: Sofia, Gabriel,  
Artiom, Francisco**

**Year 4: Kai, Aukse**

**Year 5: Ella, Joel,  
Dominykas, Alexia,  
Henry, Adam**

**Year 6: Evain, Alexandra,  
Clara**

*May God never stop  
showering  
you with His blessing*

### Attendance Award

Congratulations to Year 4 Blue with 100% attendance this week!

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



Year 1 have been learning all about healthy eating and a balanced diet in Design and Technology. The children designed, made and evaluated their own healthy fruit kebabs. Lots of the Year 1 children were brave and tried different fruits that they had not eaten before. They all enjoyed the refreshing treat on the sunny Monday afternoon.



Year 2 had a fantastic time visiting the Sea Life Centre in Hunstanton yesterday. The children learnt about different types of shells, touched a starfish, watched seals being fed and discovered lots of other Sea creatures. They also got to meet some baby penguins that had recently been born at the centre.

Such a treat!



After half term, we will start our transition process for next academic year. The children will spend time over the first three weeks in their provisional new classes. This will give the staff the chance to ensure the new classes work for next year looking at a range of criteria. We will make changes as necessary over the course of these weeks. At the end of June, the new classes will then have some transition time with their new teacher and we will then share with you which class your child will be in next year.

I hope you all have a wonderful half term break. We will return for the final half term of the year on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

Mrs Edwards



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

Reception: Florence & Dilanas

Year 1: Milana & Year 1 Blue

Year 2: Zachary, Eira & Year 1 Yellow

Year 3: Kupa & Francisco

Year 4: Ethan & Lucas

Year 5: Joshua, Teja, Salvador, Rhys & Year 5 Blue

Year 6: Aibel & Lorenzo

### Summer Term Dates

As always, there may be some changes or some additions to these dates throughout the term but we will endeavour to give as much notice as possible. Please do keep an eye each week.

June						
Su	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa
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29	30					

- 2 Year 4 Multiplication Check begins  
9:30 - 3:30pm Cricket finals
- 5 Year 6 and R Mass
- 6 Jubilee Pledge Day  
Year 5 and 6 Rugby Tournament
- 9 Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Week  
9:30 - 3:30 Year 6 Girls Cricket
- 11 Year 4 Yellow Class Assembly
- 13 Class Photos
- 16 9:30 - 12:30pm Active Kids Festival Year 2 Lynnsport
- 18 World Music Day Celebrations  
Year 3 Blue Class Assembly  
6pm Music Concert
- 19 Year 5 and 1 Mass
- 23 9:30 - 12:30 Quadkids Athletics Year 6  
5pm New EYFS Parent Information Session
- 24 Sports Day
- 25 Year 3 Yellow Class Assembly  
KLA Year 6 transition day
- 26 Year 4 and 2 Mass  
KLA Transition Day
- 27 Reception Trip to Church Farm  
KLA transition day  
9:30 - 12:30 Year 6 Tennis
- 30 Tennis Qualifiers

July						
Su	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa
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27	28	29	30	31		

- 1 Reserve Sports Day
- 2 Year 2 Yellow Class Assembly  
Year 6 Trip to Pleasurewood Hills  
Year 3 trip to the Cinema  
3:45-4:30pm New EYFS children stay and play
- 3 Year 3 Mass  
OPAL Parents Day
- 4 Trust Pilgrimage Mass - Theme of Hope
- 7 Parent Information Meeting Week for next academic year - times tbc  
4:30 - 6:30 KS2 Town Sports
- 8 SATS Results out
- 9 Year 2 Blue Class Assembly  
11am Year 6 Leavers' Mass  
3:45-4:30pm New EYFS children stay and play
- 10 Reception Class Assembly  
St Martha's Got Talent
- 11 Reports out  
InflataFun Day for all children
- 14 Springwood Music Week - more information on this soon  
1 - 4:30pm MITI workshop at Springwood
- 15 1.45pm Year 6 Production  
6pm Year 6 Productions
- 16 9:30 End of Term Mass  
1:45pm Year 6 Production  
6pm Year 6 Production

17 3:30 - 4:30pm Open Afternoon for parents

18 Year 6 Leavers' Presentation

End of Term finish 1:45pm

*Slugbusters*  
*Garden Club*

# MEGA PLANT SALE!

25 Beulah St, Gaywood, PE30 4DN

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June  
9am-5pm

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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.



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**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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