



St Joseph's and St Edmund's Catholic Primary School



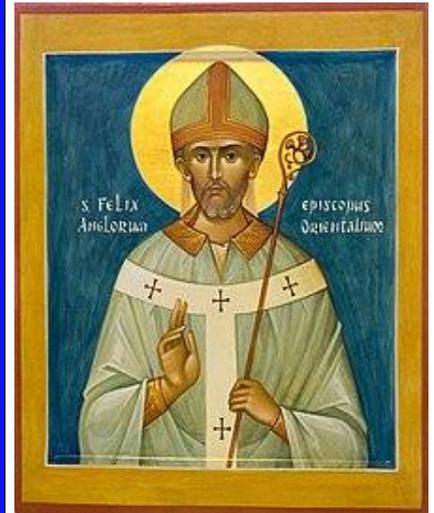
St Joseph's Roman Catholic Primary School- Newsletter 11 Friday March 11th

Dear Parents, Welcome back to Spring term 2. This is a relatively short term but crucial in preparing the children for the statutory testing for Y2 and Y6 that has been re-introduced this year. When the children return after the Easter holidays there will be only two weeks before the y6 children have to sit these formal tests. I would ask that parents do not arrange any holidays until we have finished the governments testing schedule during the month of May. The Y1 children will be doing a phonics screening test and the Y4 children a times table test.

I know that the children are feeling worried and unsettled by the war in Ukraine. The Save the Children website have some good advice on how to listen and reassure them.

<https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/blogs/2022/how-to-talk-to-children-about-war>. Please pray for those affected by the war and for peace.

As a society we are still battling Covid which is an awful virus and leaves many people feeling unwell for a long time, so please remain vigilant and LFT your child if they are unwell, we are keen to avoid further disruption. On a brighter note, the weather is improving, the days are getting longer and hopefully we will be blessed with some sunny weather!



Felix of Burgundy, also known as Felix of Dunwich, was a Saint and the first Bishop of the East Angles. He is widely credited as the man who introduced Christianity to the Kingdom of East Anglia.

Feast day 8th March

Tuesday 8th March was **International Woman's Day**. Mr L-S told the children about how women had to fight for their right to vote and have the same employment and cultural rights as men. The theme for this UN Day is **Woman Working for a Sustainable Future**.

Diary Dates

- 9th March Choir restarting KS 2 children 12.00 in Samson Class
- 11th March – Non-uniform day KS2 for reaching reading targets.
- 11th March- Science 10 days Start!
- 11th March **FAMILY FAST DAY**- Please keep any monies saved for our 'Walk to eliminate Hunger' day on 5th April.
- 12th March **Suffolk Libraries Day**
- 18th March- **Comic Relief**- Come dressed in funny clothes 50p and £1 families.
- 19th March- St Joseph's Day
- 27th March Mothering Sunday- **Clocks go forward**
- 30th March- School nurses in. Please phone the school office if you would like an appointment
- 5th April- Walk to raise money for CAFOD- **Whole School in PE clothes**
- 6th April- KS1 9.15am **Easter Liturgy and Breakfast**
- 7th April-KS 2 **13.30 Stations of the Cross- and Buns**
- 8th April **Break up for Easter**
- 10th April Palm Sunday
- 11th April- 22nd April-Easter Holidays**
- 25th April PD day- **No children**
- 26th April- **children return for the summer term**
- Yr 3 swimming starts Thursday 28th April to Thursday 21st July
- 18th May Crucial Crew- Y6



International Woman's Day, to celebrate Isabella brought a book into school to share with her class entitled 'Great Women of the World.' Lydia is pictured alongside Isabella.

Positive girl- power!

Well done to Isabella P-H and Juliet Yr1 for working so hard over half term holiday and gaining their **Silver** Athletics award!

12th March Suffolk Library Day Events

<https://www.suffolklibraries.co.uk/whats-on/annual-events/suffolk-libraries-day>

Mass attendance at our local church of Our Lady and St John for Key Stage 2 children spring term 2.

Tuesday March 8 th Y4	Thursday March 31 st Y3
Thursday March 17 th Y5	Tuesday April 5 th Y4
Thursday March 24 th Y6	Thursday April 7 th Year 5 & Year 6

Mass Times

Saturday evening- 17:00

Sunday Morning Mass- 9:15am

Parish Priest: Father Peter Brett

Tel: 01787 372703

Email:

romancatholicchurch@btinternet.com

Web: www.sudburywithhadleigh.com

National Science Week 2022

This year's theme is Growth there are free activity packs that can be downloaded from:

<https://www.britishtscienceweek.org/pla-n-your-activities/activity-packs/>

Send in any pictures of plants you are growing at home.

Parents and carers, I need your help!

Please refrain from using inappropriate language in and around school. There are impressionable ears listening. Thank you

Celebrating books and reading across the school



Celebrating the start of Lent

The reception children all made a pancake with Mrs Peacock to eat in school and then during forest schools they had pancake races and flipping pancakes/beanbags! The whole school were also able to invite Father Brett back into school after a two-year absence! We had an Ash Wednesday Liturgy and the children were all sprinkled with Ash. Father Brett reminded the children that Lent is for giving something up, or fasting and to think about those in the world who are struggling with poverty.



The children also made a nest after looking at a real bird's nest. They used different sized sticks that they had found on the field and pressed these into clay. They stuck the largest sticks at the bottom of the nest, with the smaller sticks nearer the top. Then the children found and stuck on small feathers that they had found to make the nest look comfortable. Ethan and Aatifa pictured nest making during forest schools.

If any of the Key Stage 1 children's parents can help with the preparation for the Easter breakfast could you please give your names to your child's class teacher or see Mrs Price. Thank you