



# English Martyrs CVA

We grow and learn with the gifts we have been given, following in the footsteps of Jesus



## Coming Up

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<b>Monday 6th Feb</b>	Children's Mental Health Week	
	Flute lessons	Y5 Swimming
	Drama Club 3.15-4.15pm	Tennis Club 3.15-4.15pm
<b>Tuesday 7th Feb</b>	Safer Internet Day	Y1 Swimming
	Y2&3 Spotlight Club 3.15-4pm	Y4-6 Spotlight Club 4-4.45pm
<b>Wednesday 8th Feb</b>	9.15am NHS Mental health and ELSA coffee morning	AM—EYFS & KS1 Sewing session
	Piano lessons	Drum lessons
	Gym Competition—selected children	Y1-3 Coding Club 3.15-4.15pm
<b>Thursday 9th Feb</b>	Guitar lessons	Y6 Forest School
<b>Friday 10th Feb</b>	AM—Cooking activities	2.30pm Celebration Assembly

### Notices

- Heritage Evening**

Thurs 9th March 6.30-8.30pm—don't forget to let the office know if you can make it and/or if you can represent a country!

- Parent emails to school**

Please remember to use [enquiries@english-martyrs.rutland.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@english-martyrs.rutland.sch.uk) when emailing the school office and not the office@ email address. Thank you.

- Trim Trail**

Please remind children at pick up that the trim trail is not to be used. Thank you.



### Virtue of the week

The virtue next week is: **Resilience**

Please take time to discuss this at home with your child/ren.

### Feast Day of St Thomas Aquinas

On Tuesday we celebrated the feast day of St Thomas Aquinas. The children focused on his virtues through a range of activities and watched a live-streamed trust-wide Mass, which some of our children attended at English Martyrs, Leicester. A poster with all our children's fingerprints on was presented at the Mass.





# Head Teacher Awards



Congratulations to all the children who have received awards this week.



## Gymnastics

Well done to our Key Steps 1 and Key Steps 3 gymnasts who competed against other local schools this week. They were amazing and achieved a silver overall for Key Steps 1 and an array of individual medals all round!



## Birthdays



Happy Birthday to all the children who have celebrated their birthdays recently.

**Y1**—Arthur & Eevee

**Y2**—Simba

## Swimming

Good luck to all the children competing in the swimming gala this afternoon!

## FEM News

### Cake raffle



The winner this week is Caden!

### Half Term Smarties Challenge

The Smarties challenge is back for half term! Parents/carers start saving your 20p coins! More details to follow soon.





## Y2 Space Mission

Today Miss Humphreys' class joined a live stream called Mission Space Cadets to find out what it takes to become an astronaut. They met someone training to be an astronaut and found out what food they would eat, what happened when they cleaned their teeth and how to stay fit and healthy in space. They also watched a message from Helen Sherman the first British astronaut!



## WWII Evacuee

Thank you to Barbara, one of our volunteers, for speaking to the Y3 children about her experiences as an evacuee in World War II. The children prepared lots of great questions for her and were amazed by her stories. They especially liked her story of how as a child she pretended that carrots were sweets!



## Prayer of the week

Dear God,

Give me the strength and courage I need to face my fears or overcome any obstacle.

I ask for your help each and every day.

Amen

## Children's Mental Health Week

A reminder of what's in store next week for Mental health Week! We will email out some handouts at the end of the week to support parents.

**Children's Mental Health Week**  
6th-10th February

**Take Notice**  
Informal coffee morning for parents/carers with Sarah, our NHS Mental Health Support Practitioner and our two ELSAs on Wednesday 9.15am. Come and find out what they do!

**Be Active**  
All children will be keeping active using our new orienteering course on Monday!

**Connect**  
The children will be taking part in cooking activities on Friday morning - parents can get involved too!

**Give**  
Art Day - You can purchase your child's art after school on Thursday - all monies raised will go towards the Ukrainian Appeal

**Keep Learning**  
Safer Internet Day on Tuesday

**Be Mindful**  
EYFS and KS1 will be trying their hand at sewing on Wednesday morning, creating bookmarks for Ukrainian children. KS2 children will be doing a mindful walk.

#CHILDRENSMENTALHEALTHWEEK [www.place2be.org.uk](http://www.place2be.org.uk)

## Viking Visit in Y4!

Miss Turner's class had a special visitor on Friday - a Viking! The children asked some fantastic questions, role-played being on a Viking Longship and touched a range of artefacts. A big thank you to Mr Gibson for sharing his expertise!



## St Joseph's Church

Keep up to date with the Parish news [here](#).

