



# 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 Mar</b>	Flute lessons	Y5 Swimming
	Drama Club 3.15-4.15pm	Tennis Club 3.15-4.15pm
<b>Tuesday 7th Mar</b>	Y1 Swimming	Y2&3 Spotlight Club 3.15-4pm
	Y4-6 Spotlight Club 4-4.45pm	Girls Football UCC
<b>Wednesday 8th Mar</b>	Piano lessons	Drum lessons
	Y6 Dodgeball—USSC selected children	Y4-6 Coding Club 3.15-4.15pm
<b>Thursday 9th Mar</b>	Wear Green for a donation	Table Top Sale
	Guitar lessons	Y4 Forest School
	Y1-2 Games Club 3.15pm-4pm	Y3-6 Art Club 3.15pm-4.15pm
<b>Friday 10th Mar</b>	2.30pm Celebration Assembly	Swimming Gala 2.30-5pm

### Notices

#### • Table Top Sale

Please contact the office to book your table for the table top sale on 9th March. The cost is £10 for the earthquake appeal.

#### • Early Finish 31st March

Please note, school Closes at **2.30pm** on the last day of term. There will be no After School Club on that day either.

#### • First Holy Communion

Classes start on 8th March 3.30-4.30pm at St Joseph's. Please contact the office if you would like your child to take part.



### Virtue of the week

The next virtue is: **Respect for God**

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

### Maths Challenge

Well done to the 5 children who took part in the Preliminary Primary Kangaroo Maths Challenge on last week.

Sofia achieved a gold award with a score of 129/135. Her score was the joint highest score nationally. Charlie also achieved a gold award, Jaden achieved a silver award and both David and Seth achieved certificates of participation. They then took part in the Mathematical Association Bonus Round Maths Challenge—Sofia gained a Silver award with a score of 23, Charlie a bronze with 20, Jaden (17) Seth and David (both 15) received certificates of participation.

They should all be very proud of their achievements.

Thank you to Mrs Keany for invigilating the sessions.





# Head Teacher Awards



Congratulations to all the children who have received awards the last two weeks.



Happy Birthday to the children who have had birthdays recently!

**Y2**—Imogen & Reegan



## Congratulations!

Congratulations to Miss Reeson who has become a grandma this week to baby Jaxson!



## Rutland Rotary Young Writers Competition Winner!

Well done to Harry in Y6 who has won the Junior section of the Rutland Rotary Young Writers Competition. His narrative was about peace and what peace meant to him. Great work Harry!



## FEM News

### Smarties Challenge

The Smartie challenge raised **£272.51** Many thanks for taking part!

The **cake raffle** was won by Erin S last week and Grace F this week!

## Ash Wednesday Mass

The children attended Ash Wednesday Mass at St Joseph's last week for the start of lent. We received a lovely email from Monsignor John Hadley, who celebrated Mass, congratulating our children on their impeccable behaviour in Mass.





# WORLD BOOK DAY!



We had a wonderful day celebrating World Book Day on Thursday. We celebrated poetry and the children enjoyed listening to recitals by the teachers as well as from each class. We had lots of children come into school dressed as book characters or in their pyjamas and the children also participated in a book exchange at the end of the day. Thank you to everyone who took part in our reading challenge—we raised over **£800** for new books, which will increase to over **£1200** through a donation from Usborne! Amazing!



## Tuck Shop

Thank you for your continued support with our tuck shop. Some of the money raised has gone towards buying herb and vegetable seeds!

## Art Club

The children had a fun Art Club session this week making photo collages!



## Bible Times Experience

The children in Years 3,4,5 & 6 had a great time at the Bible Times Experience organised by the Market Overton Free Church. They found out more about the life of Jesus, trying out food from the time and they took part in a Bible stories quiz!



## Lenten Fundraising— a message from our School Council

Dear Parent/carer

On **Thursday 9th March** we will be fundraising for the earthquake appeal. We would like your help to raise as much money as possible to help those who are suffering because of the recent earthquake. Firstly, we are asking for children to come dressed in green (it doesn't matter if this is just green socks!) for a donation of your choice. There will be a sponsored walk so remember comfortable shoes or trainers on the day! We will walk from school at 10.30am, if you would like to join us please let the school office know. Additionally, if children and families would like to make a cake based on our wonderful world (no nuts please), these will be sold in the playground at the end of the day. Finally, if you have items you want to recycle, book a table through the office for just £10! Any profits can be kept by families or donated to the earthquake appeal. Together we can help to support people struggling in Syria and Turkey at this terrible time.

Yours sincerely,

The School Council

### Prayer of the week

*An Eternal Rest for Mrs Iveson*

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her.

May she rest in peace.

Amen.

## Welly Walk

Mrs Smith's class went on a Welly Walk on the school grounds last week. They were looking for plants and then found some frogspawn in the pond!



## Multiskills

Y2 had great fun at the Multiskills festival in Uppingham last week.



They showed great confidence, resilience and patience in all they did. Thank you to the sports leaders who helped at the festival too.



## Warm Welcome Room Initiative

If you are working from home (use our free Wifi), a young parent with children, or just need warmth and company, come along to St Joseph's Catholic Church, Station Road on Monday afternoons from 2.00-5.00pm until 27th March.

A warm welcome and a cup of tea or coffee awaits you.

## Rest in Peace

We were very sad to hear of the recent passing of Sarah Iveson who taught at English Martyrs a number of years ago. We pray for her family and friends at this difficult time.

## St Joseph's Church

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

