



# 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 11th Sep</b>	Y3 Swimming	Y4 Forest School
	Drama Club 3.30-4.30pm	Y3-6 Basketball Club 3.30-4.30pm
<b>Tuesday 12th Sep</b>	Singing lessons	Flute Lessons
	Y4-6 Football Club 3.30-4.30pm	Y1-2 Creative Club 3.30-4.30pm
<b>Wednesday 13th Sep</b>	Drum lessons	Y3-6 Coding Club 3.30-4.30pm
<b>Thursday 14th Sep</b>	Guitar lessons	Y1-2 Gymnastics Club 3.30-4.15pm
	Y3-6 Gymnastics Club 4.15-5.00pm	
<b>Friday 15th Sep</b>	Celebration Assembly 2.45pm	

### Notices

- **Trim Trail**

Please ensure children/younger siblings don't play on the trim trail after school. Thank you for your cooperation.

- **One way system**

To help ease congestion at drop off and collection, please can parents turn right out of the pull-in. Thank you.

- **Parentpay balances**

Please ensure all lunch balances and wrap-around care balances (if applicable) run in credit.



### Virtue of the week

**The next virtue is: Respect**

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

### Message from Mrs Chambers

Our theme this week across school is 'welcome' and we would like to welcome back all of the children to school at the beginning of a new and exciting school year. We would like to especially welcome into our school community our new families, those joining us in early years and also in other year groups across school. The children have been thinking about how to welcome others into our school community and came up with lots of great ideas from smiling to showing visitors around. We have practiced our meeting and greeting skills this week as we have returned, and all the children put this into practice with visitors into school this week.

Staff have been busy getting classrooms ready for the children's return and planning lots of great learning across the curriculum. I met with the new school parliament this week and they have come up with lots of ideas that they want to chat to the other children about. Other pupil leaders will meet with adults across school in the first few weeks. We will celebrate all the amazing things we get up to in school each week through the weekly newsletter and on class dojo. We thank you for your support and look forward to working with you this year.



We welcome all our new EYFS children and their families to English Martyrs as well as the following children who have joined us mid-year: Osbert and George in Y1, Aurelia and Noa in Y3, Brooke in Y4 and Daniel in Y4 who has come back after a year in France!

We also welcome 3 new members of staff, Mrs Orgee who is our new Breakfast Club Assistant, Mrs McConnell who is a TA in Year 1 and Miss Willard who is a TA in EYFS.



**Mrs Orgee**



**Mrs McConnell**



**Miss Willard**

Welcome also to our new Catering Manager Mrs Burgess and Kitchen Assistant Mrs Gregory.

We also have a new school Chaplain, Lucy Kearns, who will be in school once a week to work with children and staff preparing and delivering collective worship.

Megan Sayers is also joining our team as a sports coach, running one club a week across the year and teaching some of the curriculum gymnastics.

## Welcome EYFS!

Our new EYFS children have had a great start and settled well into their new class. They have been getting to know each other, the school and new routines as well as having lots of fun!



Happy Birthday to the children who have had birthdays recently!



**EYFS**—Alfred, Benjamin

**Y1**—Seth

**Y3**—Samantha **Y4**—Daniel

## New Sensory Garden

A big thank you to Mr and Mrs Docherty who worked hard in the summer holidays on our new sensory garden which Mrs Burdass has designed. Once a few finishing touches have been made we will share some pictures! We can't wait to show you!

## Houses for the Three Little Pigs!

As part of their topic on materials, the children in Y1 have been building houses for the Three Little Pigs. They worked really well in teams and showed lots of resilience!



## Back to School

Chat together as a family about what you are looking forward to this year, what the children are proud of this week and what virtue they especially want to grow this academic year !



### Prayer of the week

Lord please bless all our children, teachers, parents and parish as we make our way back to classrooms for another school year. Help us all to feel excitement and joy in the promise of a new start. Amen

## Ancient Greece

Y4 found a mysterious box in their classroom last week which contained some interesting Greek artefacts!



## Y5 Computing

In computing, Y5 have been learning about systems and that they need an input and a process which will result in an output.



## FEM News!

**Cake raffle** The cake raffle this week was won Logan W!

### New members needed

This year, FEM will need new members for the committee so please email FEM on [femoakham@gmail.com](mailto:femoakham@gmail.com) if you are interested in helping out. Thank you!

## St Joseph's Church

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

