



# English Martyrs CVA

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



## Coming Up

Newsletter Issue 8 - W/c 6th November 2023

<b>Monday 13th Nov</b>	Y3 Swimming	Y6 Forest School
	Y3-6 Basketball Club 3.30-4.30pm	Drama Club 3.30-4.30pm
	Parents Evening 3.30-5.30pm	
<b>Tuesday 14th Nov</b>	Singing Lessons	Flute Lessons
	Y1-2 Creative Club 3.30-4.30pm	Y4-6 Football Club 3.30-4.30pm
	Y5/6 Football League @ UCC 4.30pm—selected children	
<b>Wednesday 15th Nov</b>	Piano Lessons	Y3-4 Sewing Club 3.30-4.30pm
<b>Thursday 16th Nov</b>	Guitar Lessons	No Gymnastics Club
	Parents Evening 4.00-6.30pm	
<b>Friday 17th Nov</b>	<b>School Closed—Inset Day</b>	

### Notices

- **Vacancy—Teaching Assistant**

Please click [here](#) to view more information about the vacancy and details on how to apply.

- **School Closed 17th November**

Don't forget school is closed on Friday 17th November for our Trust Inset Day.

- **Lunch ordering**

Please ensure you discuss lunch choices with your child as many children are still changing their minds in the morning.



### Virtue of the week

The next virtue is: **Courage**

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

### Congratulations Mr & Mrs Smith!

Huge congratulations to Mr & Mrs Smith on the safe arrival of Bodhi Walter Smith! We can't wait for them to visit us in school!



Welcome to our new children and their families who started this week. Clair, Leo, Assumpta and Riley!



# Remembrance Liturgy



Thank you to our Y6 children who led our Remembrance Liturgy today. Our children also made some beautiful poppies for our display.



## Y3/4 Football

Well done to the Y3/4 football team who played at UCC on Tuesday. The children played incredibly well but unfortunately the first few games didn't go our way. We lost 3-0 to Bringhurst, and Leighfield A, before losing 2-0 to Brooke Hill. We then found our form and out played Leighfield B, beating them 3-1. The children were amazing throughout.



## Father Stephen

As you may already be aware, Father Stephen will be retiring in December, with Father Peter from Stamford overseeing both parishes. Father Stephen has played an important part in our school for many years and we will be celebrating this in a Mass on **20th December at 10am** at St Joseph's. Children will lead the Mass to thank Father for his dedication to our school and the parish. Families are also welcome to attend.

We know the children love seeing Father when he visits school and we know he is still keen to come and see us when he has retired!

## Maths Challenge

Twenty four children from Y6 tackled the Mathematical Association Primary Maths Challenge on Tuesday. It was quite a tricky challenge with many complex maths problems to solve. The children were amazing and did incredibly well. We achieved 2 gold awards, Seth and Deandre with scores between 20 and 25. Six silver awards (17-19) David, Sam, JR, Alissa, Jude and Rhys. Six bronze awards (12-16) Michaiiah, Caleb, Oliver, Mae, Emily and Sophie. Well done to everyone who took part in the challenge!



Happy Birthday to the children who have had birthdays recently



**Y4**— Rowan, Logan, William

**Y6**—Jerome

## Sportshall Athletics

Well done to the sports hall athletics team who competed on Thursday. They were superb, competing with skill and determination. We came 4th on the night, hopefully we will make the finals.



## Table Tennis

Well done to Beth, Mya and Alissa who represented Rutland at the Team Leicestershire Table Tennis final on Thursday. The girls were amazing, playing with determination and skill. We finished in 6<sup>th</sup> place from 8 teams - not bad considering we don't have a table to train on.

## Online Support Intervention (OSI)



OSI (online support intervention) is a parent led intervention to help support your child with anxiety designed by mental health experts.

Sarah Bennetts our school mental health practitioner held a parent's workshop explaining the launch of this tool at the beginning of the academic year. Research has shown that outcomes from this tool are very positive but the process does require parental commitment.

If you wish to be referred for this programme please contact Mrs Chambers, the senior mental health lead in school, and she will then be able to complete a referral.

## Prayer of the week

### Prayer as we approach Remembrance Sunday.

Loving and compassionate God, we pray for all who have laboured for liberty, freedom and justice; for those who have made the ultimate sacrifice; for those who in life and death have preserved our living. Amen.

## Children's Liturgy Group & Altar Servers

**Children's Liturgy Group**—Please remember that there is a liturgy group for children during the Mass on Sunday at 10.30am every week at St Josephs. All children are welcome to attend during Mass and they will participate in craft based activities centred around the Gospel of the day. You do not need to book as it is offered for all children attending Mass at that time. St Josephs are also looking for parents who may like to help with running the group, please let Mrs Chambers know if you want more information about this.

**Altar Servers**—The parish are also looking for children who would like to be trained to serve on the altar, the children must have completed their First Holy Communion, Father can come into school to offer some training for the children. Please let me know if your child is interested, thank you.

## FEM News!

**Cake raffle** The cake raffle this week was won by Mya & Aimee! Please let FEM know if you can volunteer with selling tickets!

**FEM Committee** Please email fem-oakham@gmail.com if you are interested in being involved in the committee.

## Scholastic Book Order

Don't forget to place your book orders before 20th November!

<https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/english-martyrs-le15/digital-book-club>

## St Joseph's Church

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

