



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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| Monday 15th Apr | Drama Club 3.30-4.30pm | Y3-6 Tennis Club 3.30-4.30pm |
| Tuesday 16th Apr | Singing Lessons AM | Flute Lessons PM |
| Wednesday 17th Apr | Piano Lessons PM | Drum Lessons PM |
| | Y1-2 Coding Club 3.30-4.30pm | Y3-6 Athletics Club 3.30-4.30pm |
| Thursday 18th Apr | Guitar Lessons AM | Drum Lessons PM |
| | EYFS-Y2 Multiskills Club 3.30-4.30pm | Y3-6 Gardening Club 3.30-4.30pm |
| Friday 19th Apr | Piano Lessons AM | Celebration Assembly 2.45pm |

Notices

• Updated Safeguarding Information

Our new Safeguarding leads are:

Senior Designated Safeguarding Lead—**Mrs Scott**

Deputy Designated Safeguarding leads—**Mrs Brown, Mrs Topping, Mrs Valiente**

Safeguarding Governor—**Mrs McGrory**

• Parentpay balances

Please check your lunch and wraparound balances over and ensure all accounts are brought up to date. Thank you.



Virtue of the week

The virtue next week is: **Faith**

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



Congratulations!

Congratulations to the Hilton family who welcomed baby Monty into the family over the holidays!

St Joseph's Church

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



FEM News!

Cake Raffle -The winners are Aimee & Mya T!

Message from Mrs Brown

Dear families,

I am delighted to be writing to you for the first time as the Headteacher of English Martyrs. I have thoroughly enjoyed my first couple of days formally in post and I have been overwhelmed by the warm welcome from children, staff, and parents. I feel very privileged to be a part of this wonderful school community. Congratulations to Mrs Scott and Mrs Topping who join me on the senior team as Senior Assistant Headteacher and Assistant Headteacher.



I wanted to tell you a little more about myself and my journey to this role as Executive Headteacher of English Martyrs and St Francis. As the daughter of a secondary science and then primary school teacher, having always been in and around school environments, my passion for education developed from a young age. I remember vividly when my mum received her copy of the national curriculum in what must have been the early 90s and trying to 'help' her to plan lessons! Since qualifying as a teacher, I have taught and led in three very different Catholic primary schools, and I have been in my current role as Headteacher at St Francis for five years- a job that I wholeheartedly enjoy. I am truly passionate about Catholic education and as a mum to three teenage children, I understand that each day in education is a precious opportunity to strive for academic excellence and to nurture our children so that they are ready for their next steps.

I am greatly looking forward to getting to know each of you and working together to create a positive and enriching educational journey for our children. The Pentecost term is a joyful term where we are reminded that we are people of hope; we have much to celebrate and enjoy, such as English Martyrs Day, swimming lessons and forest school, to name just a few. We will send a full update of the term ahead in next week's newsletter.

Have a wonderful weekend. With warm regards,

Gosia Brown