St. Martha's News

'Be the best you can be'



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Catholic Life of the School

In the Gospel this weekend, Luke 3:15-16, 21-22, we hear about Jesus' Baptism and about something very special that happened after it. He was filled with the Holy Spirit.

We hear about how John the Baptist was baptising people with water. He says that someone is coming who is more powerful than he is. **Who do you think that person is?**

John says he is not good enough to untie the strap of Jesus' sandals. What do you think John means by this?

John does not feel that he is important enough to help Jesus. But, Jesus asks to be baptised by John. What do you think this shows us about Jesus?

All of us are important in our own special way, and we are all important enough to serve Jesus. Jesus welcomes us all and sees that we all have special gifts and talents to share.

After he is baptised, Jesus prays, and while he is praying, the Holy Spirit comes down like a dove. Then a voice comes from heaven saying, "You are my own dear Son. I am pleased with you."

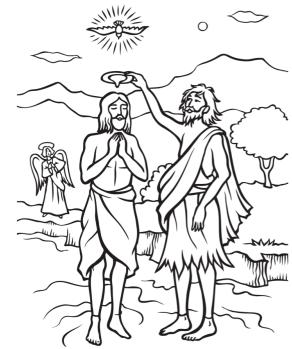
Jesus is the Son of God and he is filled with the Holy Spirit. We are all God's children and we are also filled with the Holy Spirit at our baptism.

What difference do you think being filled with the Holy Spirit makes?

The Holy Spirit can help to make us brave and to bring us joy. Just as we can tell that a tree is good because of the fruit that grows on it, we can tell if the Holy Spirit is working in us by the way that we act and how we treat other people.

Some fruits of the Spirit are love, peace, kindness and generosity. How do you think you can be kind, loving and generous to others? How can you bring peace?

We are all God's children no matter where in the world we live, no matter where we come from or what we look like, whether we are rich or poor. We are all members of the same global family. And so we try to be loving, kind, generous and bring peace to all people. In this way, we hope that others will be able to see the fruits of the Holy Spirit and our baptism in all that we do.



How will you show the Holy Spirit working in you in this coming week?

Dates for your diary:

15th January 2025 - Start of Term Mass at Holy Family Church (Yr 2 to 6) – everyone is welcome St John's Feast Day (celebrating from 27th Dec.) – children in this house can wear a green t-shirt.

Dear Families,

Welcome back to the new school term and the start of 2025. I hope you all had a lovely Christmas break and the start of the new year has been a good one so far!

This week, I would like to draw your attention to a current campaign being raised by a group of our parents, you may have seen this in Lynn News this week. They have put together an application to take on the Carnegie Library building in town

and are one of the two shortlisted candidates and the only local organisation. Their charity is called The Margery Kempe Trust: a centre for life writing and storytelling and they are currently running a teaser campaign that will go on until the end of this month to raise awareness around their organisation and application. Since they are only just getting established, they need to prove to the panel (Norfolk County Council) that they can be creative and effective in their outreach and that they have the town's support. They have under a month until their interview and are seeking the support of our school and local community.





Trio of local parents who formed trust become finalists in bid to take over historic library building as they believe 'everyone has a story'

Three locals who first met picking their children up from nursery have teamed up in a bid to "save the library for the people of the town".

At the moment they are only raising awareness, and looking for people who are interested to sign up to our newsletter and follow them on social media. If you are interested to find out more, please visit their social media pages, links below and sign up to their newsletter.

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/tmkt.kingslynn
Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/tmkt.kingslynn/
Tiktok: https://www.tiktok.com/@tmkt.kingslynn

Reception 2025 applications close on 15th January 2025, so please make sure you have completed the application form for Norfolk County Council and submitted our supplementary form by this date, if you would like your child to start with us this September.

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Please do keep an eye on our Calendar of Events in each weekly newsletter as events may be added or dates may need to be changed. We try to avoid making changes where we can but if we need to, we will endeavour to give as much notice as possible. Any changes will always be highlighted.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend, Mrs Edwards



Safeguarding

The wellbeing of our children is of paramount importance to all staff. Should any parent have a concern regarding a child's wellbeing, please inform the school's Designated Safeguarding Officers: Mrs. Child, Mrs. Edwards, Miss Annely and Mrs. Bowman.

Happy Birthday!

Reception: Matthew, Toby

Year 1: Eden

Year 2: Reuben, Selina, Carter

Year 3: Charlie, Kimberly

Year 4: Dominicus, Ella

May God never stop showering you with His blessing!

Attendance Award

Congratulations to Year 6 Yellow with 100% attendance this week! Fantastic!!

Every day at school counts, helping with learning, developing skills, and building friendships.



Well done to our Be the best you can be winners this week . . .

Reception: Izza, Sonny & Evelyn C

Year 1: Bernard & Theo

Year 2: Tomas & Ayan

Year 3: Daisy & Helain

Year 4: Alfie & Amelia-Rose

Year 5: Daniella & Teja

Year 6: Finley & Clara

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Within each of us lies a story. These stories shape who we are and connect us to others.

We want to hear your stories.

What's yours?



COMING TO KING'S LYNN IN 2025

<u>Dates for the Diary</u> Spring Term Dates

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	15	Start of Term Mass Year 2 – 6
		St John's Feast Day (celebrating from 27th Dec.)
	16	Girls' Football League 4-5pm
	22	Year 5 Blue Class Assembly
		1:30pm Instrumentalist workshop and mini concert Springwood
1	23	Year 3 Class Mass
	24	2pm CMR Concert Yr4, 5 and 6 @HFC
	26	2pm Yr 5/6 Choir Rehearsal for Joseph & TCDC
_	27	4:30 - 8pm Yr 5/6 Choir for Joseph & TCDC Rehearsal
	28	12pm Yr 5/6 Choir for Joseph & TCDC Rehearsal

	5:30 Joseph & TCDC Production
29	Year 5 Yellow Class Assembly
	Active Leaders (Sports Leaders to UEA)
	5:30 Joseph & TCDC Production
30	Year 4 Class Mass

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- 4pm WN Boys Football League
 Year 5 Blue Class Assembly
 Year 6 and 1 Class Mass
 4pm Girls Football League

 NSPCC Number Day
 Safer Internet Day
- 12 Year 2 Yellow Class Assembly13 Year 5 and 2 Class MassYear 1 trip to Lynn Museum
- 17 21 Half Term 26 Year 2 Blue Class Assembly

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27 9:30 - 2pm Girls Football 5 a side Yrs 4 and 6

9:30 - 2pm Quicksticks Hockey 6 aside Yr 6

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4pm WN Boys Football League 4 Shrove Tuesday - Pancake Races Burning of the Palms 5 2pm Ash Wednesday - pm Liturgy of Ashes 6 World Book Day 10 9:30 - 12:30pm Bee Netball Development Yr 4 1 - 7pm Parents Evening - Yr 2, 3 and 6 6 - 8pm Choir Performing at Schools Make Music @ Corn Exchange 19 1pm - 7pm Parents Evening Year R, 1, 4 & 5 20 4 - 5pm Girl's Football League 21 **Red Nose Day** 23 8:30 - 3:15 County Music Festival in Norwich - Year 5 and KS2 Choir 24 - 26 Year 6 to Kingswood 27 **Reception Hearing and Vision**

April '25							
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- Year 3/4 Easter Production (2pm & 6pm)
 9:30 End of Term Mass Years 2- 6
- Year 3/4 Easter Production (2pm & 6pm)
- 3 4pm Girl's Football League

Reconciliation Service

- 4 End of Term (3:15pm)
- 7 21 Easter Holidays (21 Easter Monday)



Wraparound Care for

St Martha's Catholic Primary Sc

Before and after school care every day the school is open to children.



Premier Education are honoured to be able to provide the wraparound care at your school.

Our aim is to deliver a top quality, Ofsted registered provision, with a range of stimulating activities in a safe, secure and fun environment, providing an outstanding service for busy parents.

Parents can relax knowing their children are in safe hands as all staff have experience working with primary school children, have been DBS checked, and hold Emergency First Aid and Safeguarding certificates.

Wraparound care sessions are open to children from Reception to Year 6, with no deposit or registration fee required. Healthy snacks are provided, with specific dietary requirements also being catered for.

St Martha's Catholic Primary 2024-25

Before School Club:

7.30am - 8.30am: £5.25

After School options

3.15pm - 5.45pm: £11.25

3.15pm - 4.30pm: £6

4.15pm - 5.45pm: £6

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