

English Martyrs Catholic Primary School

"where everyone is special"

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Easter Gardens



Thank you for your support with the Easter Gardens. Here is a selection of our Easter Gardens brought into school by children of all ages. Each child received an Easter egg for their dedication replicating the sadness and great joy of Easter. They were all very impressive.

Homework consultation with parents

Thank you so much for completing the survey about homework at English Martyrs School. We have taken consideration of your comments and have devised a new homework policy which outlines your recommendations. I also sent a letter this week, which outlined our new procedures. We are very grateful and warmly welcome parental comments and feedback.

Multiplication Workshop

Thank you to those parents who came to our Multiplication Workshop on Thursday 7th April. The turn out was well attended and has helped parents with their support of Times Tables practice at home. We are very much looking forward to children getting to grips with Times Tables Rock Stars to support them with their maths fluency.

Staff Vacancy

Required ASAP:

Cleaner – 10 hours per week which equates to 2 hours per day. 1530 to 1730 or 1600 to 1800.

Midday Supervisor for 6.25 hours a week Term Time Only (TTO) between 1200 and 1315 Monday to Friday

Family Information Service



Mrs Copson sends out a newsletter from the [Family Information Service](#). It is packed full of helpful information for families. This week Newsletter. Please take time to read the latest newsletter.

PE timetable for the start of the Summer term

Please can we remind parents that children should come into school in their PE uniform on the days shown below. Children must wear the correct PE uniform.

PE Timetable for the Hall - Summer Term 2021/2022

Black is first half of each term Green is the second half term

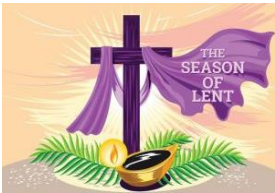
MON			<i>Year 1</i> <i>Year 1</i>		<i>Year 5</i> <i>Year 3</i>	<i>Year 6</i> <i>Year 4</i>
TUES	<i>Year 4</i> <i>Year 6</i>		<i>Year 2</i> <i>Year 2</i>			<i>Year 5</i> <i>Year 5</i>
WED	<i>Year 5</i>	B	<i>Reception</i> <i>Reception</i>	L	<i>Year 3</i> <i>Year 3</i>	
THUR		R	<i>Mass</i>	U	<i>Year 2</i> <i>Year 2</i>	<i>Year 4</i> <i>Year 4</i>
FRI	<i>Year 6</i> Swimming session all summer term	E	<i>Year 1</i> <i>Year 1</i>	N	<i>Year 3</i>	
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Summer Term - Year 6 swimming on Friday morning leaving at 10am



This is our school uniform for PE, please ensure children come suitably dressed and wearing the correct coloured attire.

Season of Lent and Easter Preparations



Thank you to parents who attended our Stations of the Cross service on Thursday 31st March 2022. There were positive comments from parents who witnessed the children being reverent and really understood the pain and suffering of Jesus' Passion. We remind you that there will be an Easter presentation on Friday 8th April and Year 4 will be presenting the Passion of our Lord. This starts at 10.30 am followed by End of Term awards.



For our Lenten Almsgiving, the school raised £116 from the cake sale and thank you to all parents who contributed cakes to make this happen. We also collected much needed items for Rugby Foodbank. Your generosity for both these events is very heart warming. Thank you.



Almsgiving - charities for classes



Gratefully received donations for Rugby Foodbank – THANK YOU!

Online Safety

In this newsletter I have included "14 ways to be kind online". Please take time to read the information and share with your children which can also support their mental health.

NOS National Online Safety
#WakeUpWednesday

14 WAYS TO BE KIND ONLINE

Showing kindness online can mean so much to someone else. It is a choice we can all make that helps others, puts people's needs before our own and which can generate feelings of empathy and compassion. Small gestures can have a large impact and often one act of kindness can lead to more, making the world a happier and more positive place. That's why we've created this guide to suggest a few simple 'acts of kindness online' that can benefit people's mental health, support their wellbeing and encourage a more positive approach to engaging online.

- 1. BE POSITIVE**
Post about things that make you happy and that you're thankful for. It could brighten up someone else's day.
- 2. OFFER TO HELP**
Sometimes a friend or family member might post a question online or ask for help with something they can't do themselves. If you know the answer or are able to offer help, provide support and send a response. Something that may be easy for you might be difficult for someone else.
- 3. SHOW APPRECIATION TO OTHERS**
If somebody you know has done something good or shown kindness themselves, thank them for it. It costs nothing and showing them that you appreciate it means so much.
- 4. SHARE FUNNY VIDEOS OR IMAGES WITH FRIENDS & FAMILY**
We often come across funny videos or images online that make us laugh and then we move on. If you found it funny, your friends and family might too. It could help someone else who may be having a bad day.
- 5. LIKE, LOVE & CELEBRATE**
If somebody posts something that you like on social media, like it, love it or celebrate it! It's a small gesture but could mean a lot.
- 6. VIDEO CALL YOUR FRIENDS & FAMILY**
It can be easy to be consumed by daily routine. Using apps like Zoom, FaceTime or WhatsApp are great for connecting with others far away and shows you're thinking of them even though you can't physically meet them in person.
- 7. TELL SOMEONE YOU'RE THINKING OF THEM**
We can't always tell how people are feeling online and just dropping somebody a message to ask if they're ok or that you're thinking of them could literally make their day.
- 8. SHARE POSITIVE POSTS**
If you see something online that inspires you, share it with people you know. An inspirational quote, a beautiful photo or a motivational video can lift spirits, improve self-esteem and help make people feel better about themselves.
- 9. HOST AN ONLINE QUIZ**
Video conferencing apps are a great way to get friends and family together. If you know someone who is feeling lonely, host an online quiz and invite them to join in. It could really cheer them up.
- 10. THINK BEFORE YOU COMMENT**
Sometimes thinking before you act can be just as significant as acting in the first place. Showing thought before you comment could stop you posting something hurtful, offensive or negative. It's always better to post positively or post nothing at all.
- 11. BE COMPASSIONATE & UNDERSTANDING**
Being empathetic towards others and their situation is often an act of kindness and compassion that gets overlooked. If you notice someone who is upset, drop them a message and offer to listen.
- 12. CONNECT FRIENDS & FAMILY WITH SIMILAR INTERESTS**
You may know two people amongst your friends and family who you trust and know well who have similar interests and likes. Introducing them can be a great way for them to make new friends but remember to always ask their permission first.
- 13. RECOMMEND SOMETHING YOU ENJOY DOING TO OTHERS**
If you enjoy doing something online, such as playing a game, or if you've found a great learning resource, share it with others. Even if you've watched a good film, letting others know can be an act of generosity that brings them excitement or pleasure at a time when they might need it the most.
- 14. PRAISE OTHERS FOR THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS**
Sometimes your friends or family might post something online that they're proud to have done. It might be an exam they've passed, learning a new skill or just completing a task. Either way, it's always kind to recognise hard work and effort through praise and celebration.

Meet our expert
This guide has been written by Anna Bateman. Anna is passionate about placing prevention at the heart of every school, integrating mental wellbeing within the curriculum, school culture and systems. She is also a member of the advisory group for the Department for Education, advising them on their mental health green paper.

Diary Dates

April

- 7th Whole School Mass Led by Year 5
- 7th Multiplication workshop for Parents – Year 2, 3 and 4
- 8th 10.30am Easter Presentation led by Year 4 followed by End of Term Presentations

**Easter Break 11th April to 22nd April
Children return to school on 25th April**

May

- 2nd Bank Holiday
- 3rd 8pm PTFA meeting at Ex-Service Man's Club
- 17th Class photographs
- 27th Teacher Training Day

**Half-Term holiday 30th May to 3rd June
Children return to school on 6th June**

June

- 11th Year 3 First Holy Communion Service 11am at English Martyrs Church
- 29th to 1st Beaumanor Hall Residential for Year 5

July

- 5th Whole school photograph
- 6th Year 6 Secondary School Induction day

School Improvement Suggestion

As a school we are always striving to improve, a good school listens to suggestions and opinions which can often lead to school improvement and positive change. If you have any suggestions you wish to share with the school, please fill the slip in below and hand it in to the school office or in the white letterbox in reception. Parents can also visit www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk to complete the parent view questionnaire.

Signed: _____ Name: _____ Date: _____

