



**Pope Leo XIV**

*“Dear friends, today let us pray that the Church will always be a school of humility for everyone, a home where all are welcome, a place where rivalries are set aside and where Jesus still speaks to us and teaches us to imitate his own humility and freedom.”*



Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for all of your support for the MacMillan coffee morning – the school have managed to raise a significant amount!

We accompanied Year 5 to the Diocesan School’s Mass on Friday, with children from all over the East Anglian Diocese. The Bishop led the service. Despite the long journey and quick lunch, the children were impeccably well-behaved and fantastic representatives of St Pancras.

Well done to England Women in their Rugby World Cup win – for girls interested in taking up the sport, you may want to look up: Ipswich RFC, Stowmarket RUFC or Hadleigh Rugby.

Next week is the start of Black History Month – Mrs Crowther will be sending home some information regarding a month-long homework task!

Kind regards,

Mr McGill and Mrs Berry

**Our Gospel Values**

Creativity

Courage

Forgiveness

✠ Generosity ✠

Humility

Joy

Perseverance

Stewardship

**Executive Headteacher**

Mrs Berry

**Head of School**

Mr McGill

**SENCO**

Mr Bentley

**Our Classes**

Rainbows Miss Aldous  
Mrs Iannelli

Celestial Mrs Thackeray  
Ms Abbott  
Mrs Durston

Class 3 Mr Grimwood  
Mrs Harvey  
Mrs Nwafor

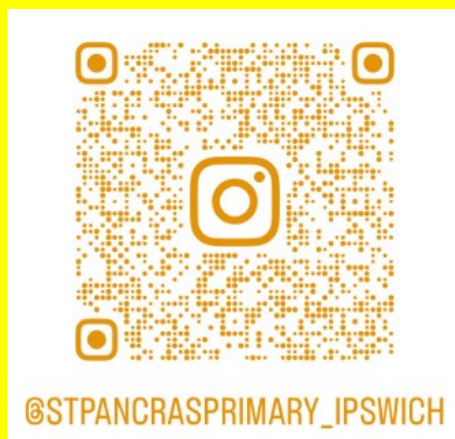
Class 4 Mrs Crowther  
Mrs Katkuniene

Class 5 Miss  
Pursehouse

Ms Borley

Class 6 Mrs Jones  
Mrs Smith  
Mrs Tella

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**Learning behaviour of the week:**

**Wear school uniform correctly and proudly.**

# **AUTUMN TERM DATES**

Below are some key dates for the diary

2nd October—Y6 Class Mass

21st and 23rd October—Parent Consultation Meetings

22nd October—Y5 BT trip (half the class)

24th October—House Points prize 1—trip to the park

3rd November—INSET day

6th November—Y5/6 trip to Wolsey Theatre and Y3 Class Mass

7th November—Individual and sibling photos and Y5 Author visit

11th November—Y5 Whitton Remembrance service

13th November—Celestial Class Mass

27th November—Rainbows Class Mass

8th December—Nativity dress rehearsal to school

9th December—Nativity performance

10th December—Nativity performance

19th December—House Points prize 2—Non-uniform day

# WHAT HAVE YEAR 4 BEEN UP TO?

Year 4 have made a fantastic start to the new school year, showing great enthusiasm for their learning across all subjects.

In Maths, we have been focusing on place value, which has involved exploring partitioning of numbers, using number lines, rounding and even learning about Roman numerals—a particular favourite among many of the children!

Our Reading sessions have been centred around the engaging novel *The Queen's Nose* by Dick King-Smith. The children have thoroughly enjoyed following the story and we are all eagerly anticipating the final chapter!

In History, we've taken a journey back in time to explore the fascinating world of the Ancient Greeks. The children have been learning about the birth of democracy, the Persian Wars and what life was like for a Spartan—sparking some brilliant classroom discussions.

Our Science topic this half term has been the human body, focusing on how it works and what we can do to stay healthy. This has linked well with our PSHE lessons, where we've been discussing the importance of healthy lifestyle choices and wellbeing.

In RE, we have been learning about Abraham and his covenant with God. We've also been exploring how the stories of Abraham reflect key Catholic Social Teaching principles, such as faith, human dignity, solidarity and the common good, helping us reflect on how these values guide our lives today.

It's been a busy and exciting start to Year 4 and we're looking forward to what the rest of the term will bring!

# SPORT UPDATES

## Upcoming competitions

Football competitions are coming up for:

U11 Girls (Y5 and Y6) on Thursday 9th October.

U11 Boys/mixed (Y5 and Y6) on Tuesday 21st October.

Details and team selection to follow!

## Sporting events this week in the world

### England V Canada

On Saturday 27 September watch the final of the Women's Rugby World Cup 2025. Canada v England live from Twickenham. Watch on BBC One and iPlayer from 3pm.



### Ryder Cup

Fri, 26 Sept 2025 – Sun, 28 Sept 2025

The Ryder Cup is a major golf tournament where two teams of expert golfers, one from Europe and one from the United States, play against each other to see who is the best.



## Junior Parkrun

Check out your local Junior Parkrun at 9am on Sunday morning. Local options include Christchurch Park, Kesgrave and Ravenswood Primary School.

## Sporting value of the week

*Perseverance*

*"I've missed more than 9,000 shots in my career. I've lost almost 300 games. Twenty-six times, I've been trusted to take the game-winning shot and missed. I've failed over and over and over again in my life. And that is why I succeed" Michael Jordan*

# STARS OF THE WEEK

**Rainbows** – [Ella](#)– for coming into class this week with a big smile on her face! We are so proud of you!

**Celestial class** – [Sinachi](#) for her excellent attitude towards learning. She is ready with detailed answers and is a role-model to others.

**Flora class** – [Freddie](#) – for fantastic contributions in class discussions and thinking deeply during all lessons, especially RE.

## Stars of the Week



**Fauna class** – [Leighton](#) for an increased confidence in Maths lessons this week, it has been fantastic to see!

**Ocean class** – [Timothy](#)– for showing compassion to his classmates.

**Mountain class** – [Vadah](#)– for writing a full paragraph, independently, using her sounds, with beautiful handwriting in History.

# ONLINE SAFETY

## Managing in-game spending

In-game spending can be problematic with some children and young people. The urgency to level up, to look unique, to be better than your friends, and to top all this off the persuasive techniques that games companies use.

Internet Matters have an excellent guide for parents which includes:

How do children spend money while gaming?

How does in-game currency work?

The benefits and risks.

Supporting resources, and more.

[https://esafety-adviser.us4.list-manage.com/track/click?  
u=cbd59b76f0e1ad9db768db345&id=f1a565bb36&e=60e8903beb](https://esafety-adviser.us4.list-manage.com/track/click?u=cbd59b76f0e1ad9db768db345&id=f1a565bb36&e=60e8903beb)

# Term Dates 2025-2026

## Autumn Term 2025

*Staff Professional Day - Monday 1st September*

*Staff Professional Day - Tuesday 2nd September*

Term Commences - Wednesday 3rd September

Half Term - Monday 27th October to Friday 31st October

*Staff Professional Day – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November*

Term Ends - Friday 19th December

## Spring Term 2026

*Staff Professional Day - Monday 5th January*

Term commences -Tuesday 6th January

Half Term - Monday 16th February to Friday 20th February

Term Ends - Friday 27th March

## Summer Term 2026

Term commences - Tuesday 14th April

*May Bank Holiday - Monday 4th May*

Half Term - Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May

Term Ends - Friday 17th July

*Staff Professional Day – Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July*

# LET'S PROTECT YOUNG PEOPLE FROM ONLINE RADICALISATION

## ■ Online Virtual Sessions for Parents and Carers

Young People are spending significant amounts of unsupervised time online which may increase their risks of susceptibility to grooming and exposure to extremist content.

Seeking to upskill parents and carers of young people who might be exposed to harmful online content, Norfolk Community Safety Partnership and Suffolk County Council are working in partnership with Small Steps to deliver four online sessions aiming to challenge Extreme Right-Wing (ERW) narratives.

The following topics will be covered:

- Understanding the factors that can make individuals more susceptible to extremist ideas
- How to support others and how to get help and make a Prevent Referral
- Understand how extremist groups often exploit digital platforms and the dangers
- What disinformation and misinformation are and highlight the dangers of both
- Highlight the benefits of real-life connections with people
- Signs of radicalisation, how to have difficult conversations and what to do if approached by an extremist online
- Critical thinking and build real-life resilience to extremism
- Connections between the Extreme Right-Wing and mixed ideologies such as the Incel movement and the manosphere
- Interactive gaming activities designed to explore and raise awareness of the methods used by extremists on virtual platforms

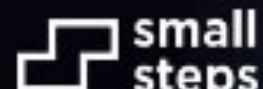


**MON 6 October** at 12.30 PM  
**THUR 16 October** at 12.30 PM  
**WED 22 October** at 5.30 PM  
**TUE 4 November** at 12.30 PM

**CLICK HERE  
TO REGISTER**

If you are worried that someone you know is being radicalised, please contact the Suffolk Customer First team at 0808 800 4005 or Norfolk County Council at 0344 800 8020. If urgent call 999.

You can also share your concerns and seek support and guidance by visiting the [ACT Early website](#), or contacting their support line on 0800 011 3764.



# How Does School Attendance Affect a Child's Learning?

