



NEWSLETTER

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Drawing the Academic Year to a Close

Dear colleagues and friends,

As the term and academic year comes to a close we have the opportunity to thank you all for your hard work within our schools. We have had a tremendously successful year, one in which a significant number of our schools have been inspected by Ofsted or by the Catholic Schools Inspectorate. We have been delighted by the outcomes of all of these inspections as all of the gradings received are either Good or Outstanding. This is a tremendous achievement and one which reflects the dedication and quality of our staff.

We have also continued our planned growth of the Trust by having St Alban's Catholic Primary in Cambridge come on board earlier in the new year – we are delighted to have Joe McCrossen (Head teacher) and his team working with us. Conversations are moving forward for other schools to join by August 2025 as part of Bishop Peter's directive for all Catholic Schools across the Diocese of East Anglia to be part of a Catholic Trust. We are confident that by the agreed date we will be fully formed with a total of 11 Catholic schools within Our Lady of Walsingham.

Please take some time to read through this Summer edition of the newsletter

I'm sure you will find some really interesting articles which highlight the terrific work with our schools.

I do sincerely hope that you will manage to have a wonderful and restorative break away from work over the Summer period. I look forward to seeing you in the new term.

With my very best wishes,

Flavio Vettese CEO



Traditional Blessing for Friends

May the road rise to meet you.

May the wind be always at your back.

May the sun shine warm upon your face.

May the rain fall softly upon your fields.

Until we meet again,

May God hold you in the hollow of his hand.

Gaelic Blessing

2023/24 Through an Inspection Lense

It's been a very busy and successful year, in terms of inspection, in our Trust schools. Four of our primaries have been visited by Ofsted for full (2 day) graded inspections and two have had their Catholic School Inspection. A full inspection is a demanding process; a very intense 2 day visit by a team of inspectors, immediately following on from notification of the inspection the previous day. The inspection separately judges the school's quality of education, personal development, behaviour and attitudes, early years foundation stage, leadership/ management and safeguarding in order to assess its overall effectiveness.



The first week of the academic year in September started with an inspection at St Pancras, Ipswich. In line with school's self-evaluation, they retained their **Good** grading. Amongst other positive feedback, pupils' *"positive attitude to their learning... in a calm and purposeful environment"* was praised.

The following term, St Mary's, Ipswich received the call. As an 'Outstanding' school, they had been exempt from inspection since 2012. I am delighted to report that school was validated as continuing to offer an **Outstanding** education where "Pupils' personal development is central to the wider curriculum. The school nurtures open-minded, kind and compassionate individuals."

When we returned after Easter, St Laurence, Cambridge had its first inspection since the school academised and joined the Trust in 2019. School retained its **Good** overall grading with inspectors commenting that *"Pupils thrive in the richly diverse community. It is an inclusive and friendly school where everyone is welcome."*

The most recent Ofsted inspection was at St Felix, Haverhill. After a positive HMI monitoring visit in September, a full inspection in June confirmed the school as **Good** overall. This represented a tremendous outcome in only 4 terms since the school was judged to have serious weaknesses. The inspectors recognised the impact in that period from the focused programme of development work completed by school and Trust staff and leaders. *"Leaders have won the confidence of parents and staff. Many parents comment about how pupils enjoy learning and happily go to school."*

Systemic shared strengths identified across all schools' inspections include: the ambition and quality of curriculum, the prioritisation of teaching of reading, the impact of high quality training offered to staff, effective safeguarding practice, identification/support for pupils with Special Educational Needs and how well Trust leaders know, support and challenge schools.

The success seen in our primaries this year is witness to the tremendous ambition, hard work, professional skill and dedication of all members of staff and local governing bodies. This commitment to collaborative working and ongoing development, within the supportive structure of our Trust family, means we are able to continue to focus on making our schools outward focused, faith filled centres of excellence in fulfilment of our Catholic foundation and Trust vision.

Clare Clark - Deputy CEO and Primary Improvement Lead

Andy Stone - Director of Schools Service's for the Diocese of East Anglia

The Diocesan Schools' Service works very closely with our colleagues in the Our Lady of Walsingham Trust and we meet regularly on both a formal and informal basis. As we are all part of one Diocesan family of schools it is important we work closely together to help to fulfil the mission of the Church in education and live out Bishop Peter's vision for all the schools in his care.



A highlight this year has been the accession of St Alban's Catholic Primary School to the OLOW Trust. This took place on the 1st of May and followed swiftly on the heels of the school's outstanding Catholic Schools Inspection (CSI) report. It is really important to have St Alban's Primary as a member and further strengthens the collaboration and sharing of good practice across the Trust's successful primary schools. Plans are moving forward to see the remaining schools in the southern half of the Diocese join the Trust and we are working hard with the Trust, school leaders and school governors to bring this to fruition.

One thing that is a constant in education is change and new initiatives to implement. For our diocesan schools this has come in the form of the new Catholic School Inspection (CSI) framework, the first time the Catholic Church has had a national system of inspection across all its dioceses. In addition, there is a new Religious Education Directory (the RED) and a new Prayer and Liturgy Directory (the PLD). Colleagues from within the Trust and beyond have worked hard to prepare teaching staff to deliver the new RE curriculum and this training has been well received. In addition, there has been training at Poringland for the implementation of the Prayer and Liturgy Directory which provides guidance to schools about collective worship.

It is always a pleasure to visit schools and Bishop Peter will have visited all the OLOW schools by the end of this academic year. Our Bishop keeps a very close eye on how things are in each of his diocesan schools and discusses their progress

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Children at the Heart*



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with me as the Diocesan Director and also with Flavio Vettese the Trust CEO in formal meetings several times each year. This ensures that we all work together and that there is a positive spirit of support and challenge so that what we offer to our children and their families is the very best it can be.

A real joy across a number of primary schools in the Trust has been the success of the Schools Singing Programme. Four primary schools currently participate and benefit from expert weekly tuition nurturing singing. These schools will take the lead in singing at the annual Schools Mass, held at the Cathedral of St John the Baptist in September.

Other highlights this year have included the joint meeting of the directors of both of our Trusts. The diocese is encouraging cross-Trust working and this has already been very beneficial. One example of this is the secondary improvement project which involves all of our secondary schools across the whole diocese. The headteachers and the CEOs of the Trusts meet termly to plan a programme of activities and colleagues then carry out reviews of the provision in a range of departments across the schools. We have seen some excellent sharing of good practice in English, Design Technology and Science this year and there are plans to broaden the number of subjects involved next year.

Our Catholic schools are very precious and we must do all we can to support, sustain and develop them. The work of the Our Lady of Walsingham Trust is vitally important in this regard, bringing schools together, strengthening the quality of provision and working closely with schools and with the diocese to offer the very best opportunities to all our young people, with Christ at the centre and children at the heart.

Faith Forum panel joined by Mrs Senior in St Edmundsbury Cathedral

On the Thursday preceding the General Election Mrs Senior (Headteacher at St Benedict's) was asked to take part in a 'Faith Forum' held at St Edmundsbury Cathedral to discuss how faith can inform and shape politics. The forum provided an opportunity for debate and discussions with panellists responding to questions submitted by the audience and local community. The panel included representatives from various Christian traditions including: The Rt Rev'd Tim Stevens (Bishop of Dunwich from 1995 to 1999 and Bishop of Leicester from 1999 to 2015), Revd Canon Jason Vinyard, (East Anglian District Superintendent of The Bury St Edmunds Methodist Circuit and Ecumenical Canon St Edmundsbury Cathedral), Mrs Sarah Friswell, (Visitor



Experience Manager at St Edmundsbury Cathedral. A Methodist and Chair of Trustees of Epworth Old Rectory), The Rev'd Ali Miller, (Team Vicar: Lark Valley and the North Bury Team and Dean of Women's Ministry for the Church of England Diocese of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich) and Ian Taylor who contributed a voice from the Religious Society of Friends.

Questions ranged from if the conflict in Gaza is a religious war, Christian attitudes towards asylum seekers and refugees and Mrs Senior led the initial response to questions on the religious identity of schools and how the interests of young people were prioritised (or not) by government. The evening was attended by an audience of around fifty people and there were discussions chaired by the Very Reverend Joe Hawes, Dean of St Edmundsbury.

Despite different approaches to some questions the views of the panel were often very similar and offered a broad range of Christian perspectives on the issues discussed. Overwhelmingly the value of faith in politics and in informing political viewpoints was shared and offered a prayerful, considered and affirming evening.

Caroline Clarke - Trust Lead SENDCo

I have recently been appointed to the newly created role of Trust Lead SENDCo at Our Lady of Walsingham Catholic MAT. I have 32 years of experience working in education and have held the following roles:- Primary Teacher, Teacher in Charge of a Speech and Language Unit, SENDCo, Deputy Headteacher, Headteacher, LA Interim Headteacher, Early Years Ofsted Inspector, SIAMS Inspector and Freelance Educational Trainer. Each has presented its own challenges and opportunities. I have always had a real passion for and interest in pupils with SEND and in most positions, I have held over the years I have been a SENDCo. I hold a Bsc Hons Speech Sciences which is a Speech and Language Therapy Degree and an Advanced Certificate in Autism in Children. I also hold the National SEND Accreditation. I have worked in Norfolk, Suffolk and Cambridgeshire.



Having started my new role in April I am thoroughly enjoying the variety of tasks I have been involved in and the regular opportunities to visit the wonderful schools within the Trust, to see teaching and learning in action and to work with SENDCos, Headteachers, Teachers and TAs. In each school I have looked at SEND provision, identified best practice and recommended areas to focus on. I have also assisted several schools in their preparation for Ofsted and have been at St Laurence and St Felix to support their SENDCos during Ofsted inspections. I have audited each school's SEND Information Report and SEND Policy. I had the exciting experience of attending the CST SEND and Inclusion Conference in Birmingham where there

were some excellent speakers. In June we held a Trust SENDCo Network Day where SENDCos fed back how beneficial it was to network and support each other. I delivered training on Website Compliance, SEND Learning Walks and the SEND Report to Governors and Amy Weaver delivered training on ASC and ADHD.

As you can see, I have been keeping very busy! When asked SENDCos have said how useful they are finding it to have a Trust Lead SENDCo whom they can work alongside and bounce ideas off. They are grateful that I am available to have the strategic overview and to help them achieve the tasks they are finding challenging to complete. I am enjoying sharing my knowledge and experience with SENDCos but am also learning lots from them. It is a privilege to spend time in the schools in the Trust and to see and celebrate best practice in SEND provision.

So, what are the challenges that lie ahead? While my work so far had enabled me to start to get to know each schools' needs, it will take lots of visits and my involvement over time for recommendations to be embedded and quality of SEND provision to move forward in a measurable way in all our schools. Always excited to learn more and focus on the pupils with SEND in all our schools, I look forward to embracing these challenges as we learn and move forwards together.

When I am not working, I enjoy spending time with my husband, my son Cameron aged 20 and my daughter Rhiannon aged 17. We enjoy camping trips to music festivals in our VW Campervan and walks in the countryside and along the beach with Wilson, our dog. I enjoy sewing and craft projects. I am also actively involved in our local village church. I have recently completed a 10k walk with my daughter in aid of St Nicholas Hospice in Bury St Edmunds.

Finally, I would like to thank the Trust and all the schools for making me feel so welcome and appreciated in my new role. Everyone has been very welcoming, helpful and supportive and with all this encouragement I feel that already I am starting to make a difference to SEND provision in our schools. I am excited and look forward to the journey ahead. Thank you for giving me this opportunity.

National Teaching Awards Silver winners 2024

Rebekah Aldous and Julie Iannelli from St Pancras Catholic Primary School have been recognised with a Silver Award for Early Years Team of the Year in the Pearson National Teaching Awards. Selected from thousands of nominees, the win highlights the remarkable impact they have on shaping the lives of the young people in their care.

Lucille Martin, Headteacher says: "Rebekah and Julie have been our dedicated Early Years Team at St Pancras for over a decade now. Our EYFS team does not just teach; they nurture. They understand that every child is unique, with their own

strengths, challenges, and dreams. They create safe and nurturing environments where children feel valued, encouraged, and empowered to explore, experiment, and learn at their own pace. Their relentless enthusiasm and energy would leave most people exhausted but Rebekah and Julie thrive on seeing the day to day development and progress of the children. They exude joy and our children come skipping into school ready for their day. You could not ask for a better Early Years team and we are thrilled that they have named as Silver Award winners.”



Rebekah Aldous and Julie Iannelli are two of 102 deserving teachers, lecturers, leaders, support staff and institutions named as silver winners in this year’s awards. They will now be in the running for the coveted Gold Award, which will be announced at a prestigious awards ceremony later in the year.



Rebekah, EYFS teacher, and Julie, Teaching Assistant say: “We are overjoyed to receive a silver award for ‘Early Years Team of the Year’ nominated by our wonderful Headteacher, Mrs Martin. To be recognised for such an award is an honour and privilege.

Family and community are at the heart of St Pancras where our children feel safe, loved and nurtured. The work we do in Early Years provides firm foundations for our children’s future development.”



Arts Week

Arts week at St Mary's provides the whole school with an opportunity to celebrate Art, Music and Dance. Our pupils had the privilege to work with Marie Soul an artist from Rock, Paper, Scissors, to create 3D artwork. Classes from across the school worked together to create collaborative pieces of 3D art. At the end of the week, parents and the local community were invited into school, to view an exhibition in each classroom, where pupils were able to share their learning.



Dance East visited the school to work with our Reception and KS1 pupils to explore 3D art through movement. Our KS2 pupils visited Dance East, enjoying workshops in the dance studios. Our Year 6 class have also enjoyed a performance of Chotto Desh exploring the key issues of diversity and inclusion.

We celebrated and shared music by singing to parents on the playground and performing a music concert to an audience. In addition, we held a concert in school for musicians consisting of parents and former pupils. The variety of instruments and music was incredible, and it was truly inspirational for our pupils to observe.

Ofsted

We are all extremely pleased with the outcome of our recent Ofsted Inspection, which recognises the ambitious vision, hard work, dedication and high expectations of all at St Mary's. Once again I would like to take this opportunity to thank our whole school community for their ongoing support.

Quotes from the report...

The motto of 'be ready, safe and respectful' resonates throughout this highly diverse school community. Pupils behave and learn exceptionally well because of their teachers' very high expectations.

Pupils are excited, inquisitive learners. Pupils bubble with enthusiasm when they share their knowledge. They learn attentively and listen to others. They take turns and eagerly answer teachers' questions. They read with clarity and express their ideas articulately. Pupils love their school and this is reflected in their high attendance.

St Pancras Primary, Ipswich

Bishop Peter Collins Visit

On Tuesday 2nd July we were privileged to be visited by Bishop Peter Collins. The visit began with a beautiful Mass where the children shared their talent for singing, which Bishop Peter was delighted to hear. Bishop Peter then visited the children in their classes and was given a tour of the school, where the children keenly shared their knowledge and love of learning with him.

This was followed by a meeting with senior leaders and Governors. It was a fruitful visit and we look forward to when we can welcome Bishop Peter to St Pancras again.



*We are Loving and kind,
We Pray and we Play*



St Louis Academy, Newmarket

Summer with the Stars

Last summer when we were all taking a break, Kamari Loyd, a Year 6 pupil at St Louis, was very busy working in Bristol. Kamari is an actor who fits a full work schedule around his studies. In July, you can see Kamari in a new murder mystery TV series because *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder* is about to sleuth its way onto your screens from July 1st. Based on the international bestselling book by Holly Jackson, the show will be available to watch on BBC3, iPlayer and Netflix.



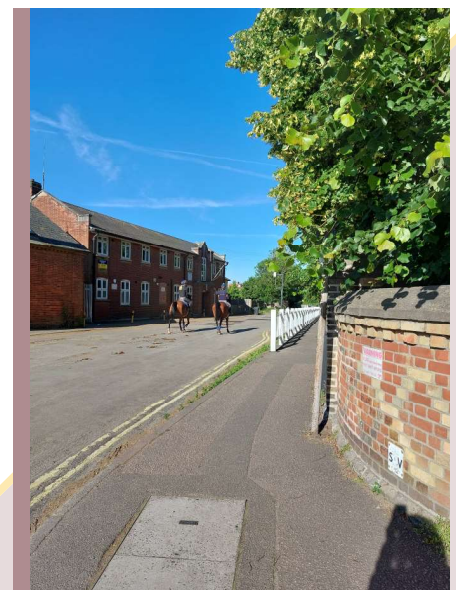
This was a fantastic opportunity for Kamari and he really enjoyed working with and learning from such a fantastic cast and team. "I'm so excited for everybody to finally see this amazing show that I've worked so hard on!"

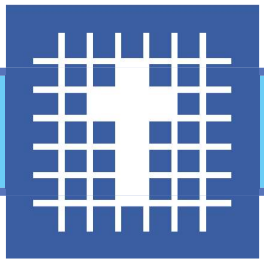
Kamari leaves St Louis this term but we will be seeing more of him over future years as he combines his studies and acting.

Safety Comes First

All our schools teach children to stay safe but at St Louis, we have an extra role in teaching children from nursery up to stay safe around horses. Surrounded on two sides by horse walks to and from the Gallops, 2,500 acres of training grounds used daily by over 3000 horses, we are accustomed to the site of riders passing school. After four years of petitioning for improved fencing to separate children and riders as they arrive at school, new fencing was fitted in June.

This makes walking near school safer for children and horses. We often welcome speakers to assemblies to remind children to remain quiet and calm around these race horses and we celebrate the uniqueness of living in a racing town.





Annual Arts Week

Last week, St. Laurence held their annual Arts Week. This year, we had the Olympics as our theme.



On Monday and Tuesday, we had dance workshops from West End in Schools, the children were inspired to express their sporty side through the medium of dance. From Tuesday to Thursday, we had two professional artists running workshops. EYFS and KS1 were designing and making interesting prints from gel plates and KS2 created a beautiful mosaic of the school crest. We ended the week with a series of musical workshops from Travelling by Tuba.



In each class, pupils were learning about a particular artist whose work was inspired by movement or sport. Wrens learned about, and painted, Degas's ballerinas, Skylarks painted Kandinsky-styled Olympic rings and Swallows create nests inspired by Ai Wei's Bird's Nest Stadium. These are just a few examples of the amazing work produced by our pupils.



On Thursday evening, we held a gallery evening for parents and families. Our work was proudly displayed on every corridor wall and in classrooms too. There was a tremendous turnout. Parents were impressed by what their children had produced and the children reported that they had enjoyed the week.

*Through God's grace,
a community growing in
knowledge and understanding*



Partnership with Bury Theatre Royal

The recent research and analysis from Ofsted - Telling The Story: the English Education Subject Report recognised the great work schools, including St Felix and other OLOW Trust schools, have done to develop their reading curriculum. However, they also noted:

Few schools design or follow a curriculum to develop pupils' spoken language. Schools are not always clear about how to teach the conventions of spoken language that enable pupils to speak competently in a range of contexts.

At St Felix, this year we have been a partnership school with Bury Theatre Royal because we wanted all the children to develop their knowledge of spoken language and experience the excitement and opportunities that live theatre can bring. Across the year we have been part of a number of projects which have included creating plays, theatre performances, workshops and staff CPD.

UKS2 took part in Tiny Plays, Big Ideas back in February and learnt how their ideas can become a performed piece. They worked with a professional playwright to understand the conventions of a play and the importance of the words you put in the mouths of your character. The finished plays were judged and one was chosen to be performed at the theatre by professional actors alongside plays from other schools. The pupils visited the theatre to watch the performance and were thrilled to see the work of their peers.

These children worked with the Creative Learning team again at the start of June to explore spoken language through drama workshops. They discovered it is not just what you say but how you say it. This revelation helped them unravel the complexities of Oliver Twist. The teachers could see the impact straightaway in the pupils' enthusiasm to read a challenging heritage text. It also prepared them for their end of year performance, Olivia, at Haverhill Arts Centre on 12th July.

"I loved it because it was a break from the normal way of learning."

Teachers also enjoyed a workshop on use of language, including tackling iambic pentameter with pupils. As a Shakespearean text also features in our reading curriculum for UKS2, this was very useful but also great fun.

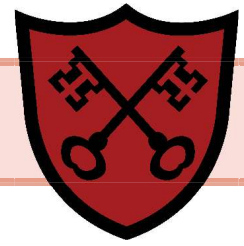
At the end of June, St Felix was visited by two other theatre groups through the Theatre Royal Doorstep Festival. KS2 encountered The Not So Big Bad Wolf and Y3 and Y4 had follow up drama workshops about seeing things from a different point of view. The children fully engaged with the challenges:

"We had done the Not Bad Wolf in Y3 and it was great to link it back to something we had done before."

EYFS and KS1 enjoyed A Strange New Space – a non-verbal performance about a refugee who imagines she goes to space to explain her experiences. It was fascinating to watch the youngest children find ways to communicate with someone who did not speak and fully engage with the audience participation by watching closely and working out what was required. Y2 had a workshop afterwards about being creative and using physical theatre. There were toasters and blenders crafted out of groups of pupils all intent on the same purpose.

The children were really positive about their experience:

*"I liked it when she splashed the water and went to a different planet!"
"It was so much fun to sit down and laugh and she went in rocket to the moon."*



St Alban's Primary, Cambridge

St Alban's Day

We are very fortunate to be next to OLEM (Our Lady and the English Martyrs) and each class celebrated mass in our lovely church this term. The highlight of our masses was St Alban's Day when we had our statue of St Alban blessed by Father Paul. We would like to say a big thank you to Monsieur Henri, our Chaplain, who helped to prepare the children and staff for this beautiful and memorable occasion. Our thanks also to Alba and Laura, our cooks, who provided the children with chocolate crosses.



International Eco Award

We were delighted to receive the National ECO award for the second year. Our Eco Council has been very proactive by monitoring paper waste, reducing food waste, growing their own vegetables and many more environmental activities. One of the biggest events this term was a whole school Litter Pick in the meadows near our school. Well done to all our children for making our surrounding area a cleaner place.



Sporting Champions

St Alban's enjoys a lot of success at sports. This term we became the Girls City Football Champions, competed with good success in a Rounders tournament, were awarded the Spirit of the Games at a City Cricket competition to name but a few. Here is a photo of the netball team who qualified for the County Finals. Although they did not win the finals, they had an exciting time competing against other schools from around the county.



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St Alban's High School, Ipswich

The Big Print

This the third and final year of a fantastic printmaking journey for the students of Ipswich schools. We have been the only school to participate in the 'Our Place in Time' project over the 3 years. This is a funded project run by Oyster Community Press CIC @Tower Street Printmaking studio in Ipswich.

This is part of the annual event called Ipswich Print week, to raise awareness of printmaking. The finale of Ipswich print week is staging an event on Ipswich Quay called The BIG print where the lino print designs from local school are joined together to make a collaborative piece that is displayed in the archives at The Hold. The ideas for the prints are reflective of the years 2023, 2022, 2021 and how students' experiences have been captured in these fantastic designs. The outcomes have been fantastic from students in years 7-12. We are proud to see the work displayed and know that these designs will be kept as part of the history of Ipswich.

IPSWICH PRINTWEEK

St Alban's Careers Fair 2024

This year we hosted our biggest and best careers fair yet. Welcoming over 60 employers– from a wide range of sectors to talk to students. It was lovely to see amongst our visitors several past students who are now working successfully in a range of industries both locally and nationally.

All St Alban's students had the opportunity to talk to employers face-to-face and ask them questions. A big thank you to everyone who supported the event, what a great networking opportunity for our students!

Year 8 Geography Trip

The geography department have enjoyed a number of fieldtrips this term. On Wednesday 1st May the department took out the year 10 GCSE students to Minsmere to conduct their fieldwork on sustainability and geographical flows. The amazing fieldwork team at the RSBP Minsmere shared their knowledge with the students. We worked in two teams to collect the different data needed to help prepare them for their fieldwork exam next year.



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Career Ready Graduation

Year 13 celebrated the end of their Career Ready journey, enjoying an afternoon tea with their mentors. A huge thank you to all our industry mentors who have challenged and supported our Sixth Formers over the last 12 months. Students have grown in confidence and there was a great buzz in the room and well done to every student who completed this programme, we are proud of you.



Collaborative Creative Exhibition 2024

This year we are very pleased to have exhibited KS3 artwork, GCSE artwork, GCSE textiles and A level work from Art, Photography, Textiles and Graphics. We invited students to view the exhibition to use as both a learning tool and for external moderation. Our private view followed on the Monday 24th July attended by many students, staff, governors and parents/carers.

We are always delighted to be able to showcase the talents of your students and celebrate their achievements.



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Year 7 Walsingham Trip Reviews

On 20 June, Year 7 students went on a trip for two days to Walsingham, where we stayed at Elham house. The students were split into two groups. Group one was to go to the pilgrimage and walk the Holy Mile whilst group two were doing activities such as biking, safari and high ropes at Holkham Hall. We would then swap activities the next day.



Awards Evening

On Tuesday 2nd July we invited 79 students and their families to our Summer Celebration Awards evening. The students were either nominated by their teachers or were awarded for their achievements so far this year. We were entertained by our excellent musicians and were fortunate to have a guest speaker, Rev. John Morrill.

Suffolk Youth Climate Conference

On Wednesday 3rd July we took 12 year 7 and 8's to the second Suffolk Youth Climate Conference which was held at Suffolk One in Ipswich. The keynote speaker at the event was Chris Packham who is a TV presenter on BBC's Spring & Winter watch, a naturalist author, and a campaigner for conservation and the environment. Lyra Reimann was one of 21 lucky students selected to interview him after his speech.

At the event the students engaged in various climate related workshops such as 'climate change vs the coast', 'flood management', 'action to save our oceans' plus many others. Whilst the students were beavering away in their workshops Mr Gregory and myself had our agenda for the conference on the Climate Action Plan for schools which included the speech from Chris Packham. The students all had a fantastic time at the conference and were a credit to the school.



*I have come that they may have life,
and have it to the full*





St Benedict's Sixth Form, Bury St Edmunds

Year 12 Trips

It's been a busy week for the year 12s with trips for the Geographers, Classicists, Artists and Biologists!

On Tuesday the Geographers set off to Southwold in the drizzle to undertake their field studies in Coastal and Human Geography data collection. On arrival the students headed down to the beach where they learnt how to measure sediment size and take a beach profile. After a short lunch break the students headed into the town to collect their data for their NEA fieldwork.

On Wednesday the Classicists went to Cambridge where they visited the Museum of Classical Archaeology at Sidgwick College, and had an enlightening tour from Will, who took the students on a chronological journey through the statues of the Classical Period from 1700BC to 400AD. After the tour the students had time to explore the museum on their own before heading into Cambridge for some lunch. At 13:00 the students met at the Fitzwilliam Museum where they spent the rest of the afternoon exploring the museum's classical collection.



Farewell to Year 13 Maths Students

On Wednesday 26 June the A Level maths teachers joined their students for a night of celebration, to wish them luck in their future endeavours. This was reinstating a tradition from the pre-Covid days whereby the Maths department and Yr 13s always had an end of year meal and Mrs Reid was determined to reinstate it this year. It was great to be able to socialise with such wonderful students, we wish all of them well for the future. No prizes for guessing the venue – Wetherspoons in Bury St Edmunds!



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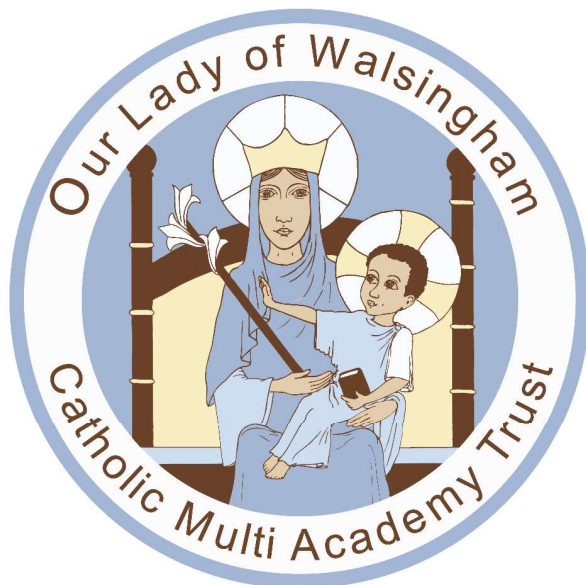
Foundation Governor Recruitment

If you are interested in becoming a school governor or would like to find out more about the fantastic impact that you could make within our Trust schools then please visit the Trust website by scanning the following QR code.



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