



Best wishes Sue Blakeley

Christ at the Centre : Children at the Heart

Loving to Learn : Learning to Love



Thank you FOSL for buying every child and adult working in school an ice-cream on the last day!



St Louis Catholic Academy News

JULY EDITION

Dear families,

We have successfully completed a full year of learning and I would like to thank all the amazing staff who have worked so hard to maintain the successful teaching and learning throughout this academic year. We have remained safe and thankfully, all our families and children are healthy and well.

Sadly, we say goodbye to some staff and we wish them great success in their new roles. From September, we welcome Miss Coetzee, Mrs Vickerage and Ms Spratt to St Louis. A number of our MDSAs are joining us as teaching support staff next year. Mrs Bryan will be working at St Louis and leading Nursery but also starting her new role as SENCo at St Felix. Mrs Cox and Mrs Baldwin are preparing to lead Reception and KS1.

It has been an incredible final term where we welcomed One Life Suffolk over four sessions to speak to all children about wellbeing and staying healthy, enjoyed live plays delivered to us in bubbles by Theatre Royal, Bury St Edmunds and took part in follow up workshops.

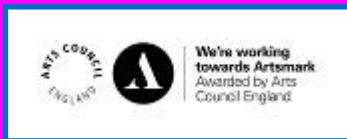
Thank you Mrs Smith for a brilliant Sports Day and for all the support in this event from Forest Heath Sports Partnership. It was a lovely sunny day and next year, we hope to invite parents to enjoy the new carousel of sport too.

This year, FOSL has given school endless support and it is brilliant to have such a committed group of families supporting us in school. We are looking forward to our final day ice-cream treat! Thank you FOSL.

Finally, we say farewell to our incredible and resilient Year 6 students who have wowed us with their maturity, kindness to others and exemplary behavior. You are ready and very capable of making brilliant next steps in your education. We wish you every success in the future. Have a wonderful Summer.
Sue Blakeley—Head of School

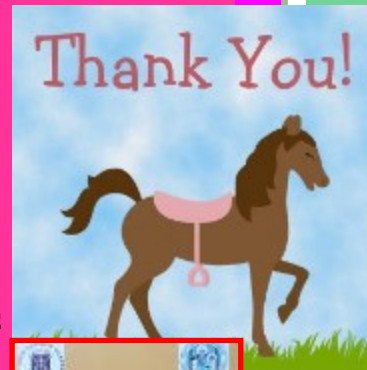
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Goodbye to little pony

Congratulations to Mr Das our winning bid for our lovely little pony. We know that our friend is going to a new home and we hope that the winning family look after their new addition well! All bidders have received a small thank you gift



We received a big thanks from Newmarket Town Council for our gift of the large horse. It will go on display in their town gardens for everyone to admire and visit.

Our Lady Immaculate and St. Etheldreda Catholic Church, Newmarket

For all church dates and news, check the weekly church bulletin <http://www.olise.co.uk/wordpress/> Link to the latest newsletter from the parish home page



We have spaces in school in some year groups. Please tell your friends. We welcome visits from interested new families.

We have a new school prospectus.

Plays in School

Every year group has enjoyed watching live theatre in school and they have had brilliant workshops linked to the plays. Nursery, Foundation and KS1 took part in Paper Aeroplane whilst KS2 children enjoyed The House that Jackson Built. Here are nursery, reception and KS1



HALF MOON PRESENTS
PAPER AEROPLANE
A LOTS OF ODDS THEATRE PRODUCTION (EY/KS1)

Take flight with two new friends as they soar through clouds, fly over distant seas and circle faraway lands. They touch down in mysterious new places and discover oceans to swim in, rocks to clamber over and bridges to cross. But where will they fly to next?

Lift-off on a journey full of music, physicality and zooming paper aeroplanes, where sometimes the skies are not as clear as we first think. Developed with children who have shared their experiences of losing loved ones, Paper Aeroplane sensitively explores loss and bereavement, the challenges we face when trying to move on, and how we can help one another along the way.



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HALF MOON PRESENTS
THE HOUSE THAT JACKSON BUILT
A JUSTIN COE PRODUCTION (KS2)

Jackson's dad is building a new house out of weird and whacky bits and bobs that people have thrown away. The last few years have been hard for young Jackson, living without his mum. Now his dad wants to make a new start, but Jackson isn't ready to move on. Not until he blows the dust off mum's favourite old book and conjures up the Story Fairy. But can stories really help Jackson believe in himself and be happy in a new home?

Celebrating books and the joy of reading, The House That Jackson Built features a larger than life pop-up book and thrilling adventures, including a giant who cannot say "fee-fi-to-fum", an elephant professor and the Wordy Wordy Birdie. This magical spoken word theatre show delights in family, recycling and the power of imagination.



Ready Steady Go: A Great Sports Day



Mrs Smith and Forest Heath Sports Partnership organised a brilliant day of sport on the paddock for our school. This year, everyone took part in the event as they moved around a carousel of 8 activities in their class bubbles. Some of our year 6 students supported the organisation of the day,

Helping to set up the activities beforehand. Classes were split into their 'Houses' and house points were counted at each station. The results are as follows.....

St Etheldreda	1,592
St Julian	1,635
St Edmund	1,754
St Felix	1,883

Thank you to everyone who helped to make the day such a success, and thank you to all of the children at St Louis for participating with their usual enthusiasm and sportsmanship! Also a big thank you for the wonderful special sports day packed lunch prepared by Trina and her catering team.



Vocations Fortnight

We had an incredible mix of visitors to school, from air ambulance paramedics to talented hairdressers and the children were enthused and had so many questions to ask. Thank you to all those who came into school to make this an amazing experience:

Danyels and Anna: Newmarket Pony Academy

Stephen Newman: Amnesty International

Dr Scoones : Anaesthetist

Vinny: Tree surgery

Patricia Mills: Anaesthetist and Suffolk Air Ambulance

Mrs Beswick: Scientist

Alison Hayes: Life of a Journalist

Mrs Bramhill: Manager at British Racing School

Mr Perera: Scientist and Care Manager

Fr Christopher: Priest

Mrs Abbs: Osteopath

Richard Goss: Hairdresser and businessman

Mr and Mrs Joy-Staines: Charity Founders and entrepreneurs

Martin Harley: Jockey

Mr Ola Adeyemi: Scientist

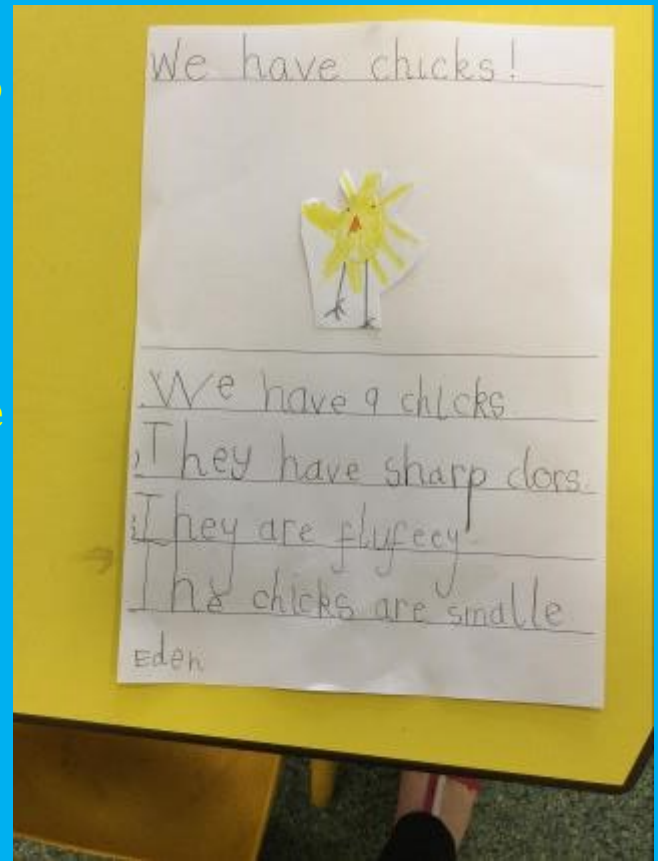
Fr Paul Spellman: Priest

Mr Louis Barlow—Builder



Eggstra Special Visitors

Our Reception children had a wonderful two weeks watching eggs hatch and chicks emerge. Alongside the chicks were some butterflies ready to emerge from a number of chrysalis. Some chicks were rehomed by school families whilst others were returned to a farm where they will enjoy a free-range life. The butterflies were released in our prayer garden where we are continuing to plant butterfly and bee-friendly plants. Children loved to write about the chicks and butterflies.



FAIRTRADE



**INDEPENDENT
FOOD AID
NETWORK**

Fairtrade Achievers

At St Louis we continue to be a Fair Achiever Fairtrade school, embracing the principles and ethos of Fairtrade.

During meetings we have discussed what actions we would like to take next to continue to promote the importance of Fairtrade and we have some great ideas to help other people learn about its importance too.

Today we invite you to watch the premiere of our advert. As part of our ongoing commitment to Fairtrade, the Fairtrade Club (KS2 children) has created it to promote and raise awareness about the simple principles of Fairtrade. Based on a Scouting song, it is a call and response between LKS2 and UKS2.

The advert premieres on the school YouTube channel today at 3pm. Remember...."Buy Fairtrade!".



FOOD BANK COLLECTION DAY

Thank you—your help is
brilliant

**Our first trolley collection for next
school year is Thursday 9th September 2021**



Newmarket Open Door
Churches Together With People in Need

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Nexus have asked that we invite families to think about becoming foster families. They currently have 2500 children referred to them each month from the local authorities who are unable to find families so they are trying to recruit more foster carers in and around the Cambridgeshire area, including Newmarket. Please contact Leanne for a chat.



supporting you to foster

become a foster parent and you can make a difference!



- We're a fostering agency like no other, keeping our foster carers and young people our top priority!
- Nexus Fostering has been making a difference in the lives of disadvantaged children and young people in care throughout England since 2002.
- Our ethos is centred around unrivalled support for our foster carers, extensive training and fostering excellence.

Look out, drivers about!

Our nursery is having a makeover and part of the improvements taking place include some new road markings. Our young drivers have been busy learning their new routes.



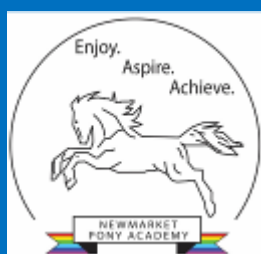
A Gift from Sisters of St Louis

We are delighted to receive a beautiful collection of hand made tiles depicting the Stations of the Cross from Sister Mary Jo. We are going to hang them around our school to allow us to make a journey across our site whilst praying together. We will prepare some writing to describe each each picture over Autumn term and hang them for everyone to enjoy. We are so grateful for this wonderful gift that originated in the USA.



Riding High

Our first children attended a week of Pony Academy at the National Racing School. Over a busy week, they learned many team building skills and tested themselves in many ways. We have been very impressed with their resilience, ability to overcome fear, development of their focus and determination. The Academy generously gifted them books, framed photographs and a polo shirt.



Goodbye Year 6— we will miss you!

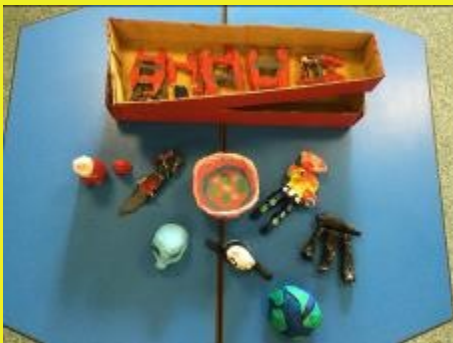
Year 6 celebrated Mass with Fr Christopher and this was followed by their presentations.



Thank you Mrs
Feehan and Mr
Wognum for making
this a special year for
our Year 6 students.

Art Club: Final Masterpieces

Thank you Mrs Baldwin for leading the class and Mrs Turner for your support .






2020-21 Year 6 Values Awards

Value	
<p>Friendship and Loyalty A friend to all, does the 'right' thing, quietly building strong relationships and not taking sides when conflict emerges.</p>	Stella Harris
<p>Care and Compassion Recognising the needs of others and responding selflessly, through caring and compassionate action and support.</p>	Chloe Blayney
<p>Forgiveness Forgiving one another and always seeking reconciliation with one another to improve our imperfect world.</p>	Josephine Richardson
<p>Peace Pursues peace and harmony in personal life, relationships and the wider world; reconciling differences and resolving conflicts non-violently.</p>	Jack Varghees
<p>Honesty and Integrity Honest and genuine with individuals, institutions and self in word and deed, not swayed by what others may say or the latest 'gossip', and staying true to self.</p>	Isabelle Wakes
<p>Justice Actively works to right the wrongs, to balance the indignities, to fight for good causes and to bring human dignity into a well-intentioned but imperfect world.</p>	Thea Burgess
<p>Excellence Using God-given skills, talents and personal attributes to outstanding effect through St Louis, striving to excel across the curriculum, in sports, in interpersonal relationships and making a wide and high-quality contribution to our community.</p>	Peyton Bovitz
<p>Service Serves others, humbly and unselfishly.</p>	Alex Challis
<p>St Louis Girl A girl who, throughout her time at St Louis, has consistently demonstrated the values which drive our school and who always seeks 'to be the best she can be', with an unassuming modesty and genuineness to self and others.</p>	Ella Varma
<p>St Louis Boy A boy who, throughout his time at St Louis, has consistently demonstrated the values which drive our school and who always seeks 'to be the best he can be', with an unassuming modesty and genuineness to self and others.</p>	Jimmy Chojnacki

Welcome to our team
We are excited to welcome
some new teachers to our
team next year

Ms Spratt's Larch Class

Hello! My Name is Ms Spratt



I simply love to travel and, in recent years, have discovered a love of hiking up volcanoes! The last one I climbed was Mount Etna on the gorgeous island of Sicily. It's one of the world's most active volcanoes and is one of the tallest ones in Europe at a height of over 3,300m.


I'm interested in languages and can speak, read and write English and Hindi fluently. I can converse in Spanish (which has been very helpful when I've been in Spain and Mexico!) and am currently learning to speak and read Japanese.

My favourite colour: Yellow
 My favourite food: Chinese food
 Favourite animal: any Big Cat
 My favourite film: The Abu Trilogy, by Satyajit Ray
 Favourite book: Passage to India, by E.M.Forster
 My favourite sweets: Warburton's Original

I'm delighted that I will be the new Class Teacher for Larch Class and cannot wait for the new academic year to begin, when we will embark on an exciting learning journey together! I'm very much looking forward to being part of the St Louis family.

Miss Coetzee's Lime Class

Hello! My Name is Miss Coetzee



I have done a 200 metre Zip line called "Flying Fox" to a bungee platform underneath a bridge. The Broukrans Bridge is 116 metres (399ft) high and is situated in the Western Cape. It is the highest commercial bridge bungee jump in the world.

I have been to 5 different countries and lived on two different continents. I am also bilingual (I speak English and Afrikaans).

My favourite colour: Rose Gold
 My favourite food: Thai Curry
 My favourite animal: Elephants and Bees
 My favourite film: The Fox and the Hound
 My favourite sweets: Chocolate
 Favourite Book: Charlotte's Web


I am absolutely thrilled that I will be the Class Teacher for Lime Class. We will have many exciting learning adventures and I am excited to be a part of your journey at such a fantastic school like St. Louis.



Sadly, little owl was not quite ready to teach Elm Class but they were thrilled when he dropped into their outdoor learning area to check up on their studies on 29th June.

Mrs Vickerage's Elm Class

Hello! My Name is Mrs Vickerage



Before becoming a teacher I danced around the world on Cruise ships performing in the musical theatre shows on board. I really enjoy travelling and have been to some fantastic countries. My favourite was Sardinia.

I'm originally from Preston in Lancashire but I have lived in Suffolk for 16 years. I enjoy the Suffolk countryside, cycling and visiting friends and family. As a family we go to the cinema, we like ten pin bowling and having fun!

I have a husband called Peter and two boys called Samuel and Joshua. Samuel is 11 years old and Joshua is 9. We really enjoy playing family games together.

My favourite colour: Yellow
 My favourite food: Burgers
 My favourite animal: Dogs
 My favourite film: Bumblebee
 My favourite sweets: M&M's
 Favourite Book: The Lion and the Lamb

Goodbye Teachers and Support Staff — we will miss you!

We say a sad goodbye to teachers and support staff this year, everyone will miss them and they are most welcome to come back and visit us! We are grateful for everything they have contributed to our children over the years.

Mr Rolfe is taking up a teacher role nearer home, so he'll be enjoying extra lie ins before school. He will be teaching year 5 and 6 children in a village school.

This year we say a fond farewell to Mr Wognum. Mr Wognum has been a class teacher at St Louis since 2017, he'll be joining Thurston Church of England Primary Academy in September, when he will be teaching Year 5 and Year 6 again.



Mr Mannell is taking on a new challenge as a PE teacher. He successfully completed his NQT year but now wishes to use his great love of sport full time.



Mr Muscionico is returning to study and running a business.



Mr Shaw is leaving our Sports Provider SL Sports to travel the world but SL Sports remain with us in Autumn Term.

Ms Hawes leaves the catering team to operate her dog grooming business full time.





Our Catholic Faith in School



Truly You are Amazing

Our UKS2 children chose to establish a Refugee Club following an inspirational speaker from Amnesty International presenting to them. They decided to take part in a fundraising walk and invited all year groups to become involved. They prepared and presented their own presentations to children across the school and co-ordinated a fund raising walk in school on one of the rainiest days in June. Impressively, they have raised an incredible **£1,507** for Amnesty International. This has left all staff incredibly proud of their maturity and focus in setting up the initiative themselves and raising so much money.



Hi! I'm Thea and I'm 11!
After looking at refugees as our topic in school, me and a few of my friends started Refugee Club! We thought it was just going to be us doing a little bit of research so we'd know how to help refugees. But then we found out that it was going to be refugee week (14th-20th June) so it was the perfect time to try and raise some money! In the end we decided to do a sponsored walk, as the theme for refugee week 2021 was 'We shall never walk alone' inspired by Martin Luther King Jr's 'I had a dream' speech. Throughout the week we did two walks during our lunchbreaks! Almost all of the school took part! We also decided to send the money to Amnesty International. Overall we raised £1,507!!
We are so proud of our achievement and are so pleased it's going to such a great cause!
from
Thea Burgess (and the rest of refugee club!)

We are brightening up our library. Please paint us a picture of your favourite book character to be framed and displayed. Please use A3 or A4 paper to fit in a frame. We have art books and art sets to be won in every phase.

We have spaces! Please tell your friends. We have spaces in classes across our school. Our nursery has wrap around care and can accommodate your child during your working day. We are an inclusive Catholic school, welcoming of all children.



Send us photos of your most unusual place to enjoy a holiday read. Book prizes for each phase.



Summer competitions

Plant your old boot with flowers to brighten up our front entrance in September. Books and other prizes for the best boots in each phase!



Dates for your diary

2nd September back to school

24th September MacMillan Coffee Morning

12th and 19th October—Parent consultation meetings

8th October wear yellow and raise vital funds for YoungMinds.

22nd October : Wear red to show racism the red card

19th November : wear your own clothes day FOSL fundraiser

28th November—24th December **Advent—a period of prayer and fundraising for Cafod**



Food Bank collection dates 2021 2022

Thursday 9th September

Thursday 7th October

Thursday 11th November

Thursday 6th January

Thursday 10th February

Thursday 10th March

Thursday 12th May

Thursday 9th June

Thursday 8th July

CAFOD Catholic Agency for Overseas Development



2nd December—gift a raffle prize for FOSL Christmas Raffle Hampers



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22nd February—7th March Fairtrade Fortnight



2nd March—

14th April Lent —a period of prayer and fundraising for Cafod .

Our Lady Immaculate and St. Etheldreda Catholic Church, Newmarket

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