



# English Martyrs Newsletter

## 5th October 2025

### Our Mission Statement

To accept each individual as they are and to enable them to develop their full potential within a Christ-centred, worshipping community in a spirit of love, happiness and understanding



### 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.' The Lord replied, 'Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea," and it would obey you. 'Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep, would say to him when he returned from the fields, "Come and have your meal immediately"? Would he not be more likely to say, "Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself afterwards"? Must he be grateful to the servant for doing what he was told? So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do, say, "We are merely servants: we have done no more than our duty."'

Luke 17:5-10

### Year 5 Trip to Herstmonceux

Year 5 had a fantastic time on their trip to the Science Observatory. The children thoroughly enjoyed exploring the wonders of the solar system and learning fascinating facts about the planets. They were especially excited to discover how telescopes work and how scientists use them to study the stars and beyond. It was an inspiring day that sparked curiosity and excitement for space exploration!



### Year 3 Trip to Chichester Harbour

Year 3 had a fantastic day trip to Chichester Harbour. The children enjoyed walking along the shoreline and learning about the different sea defences in place. They were fascinated to see how the lock works and had great fun exploring the beach, searching for crabs and other sea creatures. It was a day full of fun, fresh air and lots of walking!



### Swimming Lessons

We hope to resume swimming lessons as soon as possible and will keep you updated. Please could the children bring in an extra pair of socks in their swimming kit and as it is impossible to keep the floor dry and the children are getting rather soggy! Thank you.

### A morning plea!

Please could we ask that you keep your child with you down by the gates in the morning and not allow them to come up and down the path to the office, or come into the entrance area. The mornings are a really busy time for us in the office, with lots of phone calls and messages—we need to make sure that we are giving these our full attention but having the children running up and down makes it hard to concentrate. There are often parents needing a quiet word at the office too, which is difficult with children coming in and out without their adults. Thank you.

## Autumn Term Dates for your Diary

### October

Wednesday 8th Oct	Prospective parents meeting 9.15/5.30
Monday 13th Oct	Cycle to school Week
Monday 13th Oct	Early Years Balance bike week
Thursday 16th Oct	Restart a heart workshop
Friday 17th Oct	Early years six week in meeting 9.00am
Monday 20th Oct	Parent consultations details tbc
Tuesday 21st Oct	Year 6 trip to Bluebell railway
Thursday 23rd Oct	Parent consultations details tbc
Sunday 26th Oct	Magic Show for EY children and pre-schoolers 3 p.m.
Monday 27th Oct	Half-term begins

### November

Monday 3rd Nov	Inset day
Tuesday 4th Nov	Children return to school
Saturday 8th Nov	Magic Show for EY children and pre-schoolers 3 p.m.
Monday 10th Nov	Prospective parents meeting 9.15/5.30
Tuesday 18th Nov	National child measurement programme Year 6
Wednesday 19th Nov	Year 1 Teddy Bears picnic 2.45-3.15pm

## Staffing update

Unfortunately, Mrs Cleary is not yet able to return to school but is hoping to do so after half-term. The class teachers will be continuing to lead their PE lessons, and I am grateful to the staff who are doing a brilliant job of coaching children and accompanying them to after-school events.

## School Uniform

As per the last newsletter, a revised pupil dress code has been introduced with clearer guidance. The rationale for this is that we want school to be a place where children can focus on their learning and are not distracted by fashion. Points to take particular note of are that:

- Skirts / dresses / pinafores should be within 5 cm of the knee
- Children should not be wearing any make-up to school
- Earrings should be plain metal studs only

Families were given two weeks to purchase any items that they might have needed to ensure that their children's dress is following our code. This period has now ended, so please do double check that your child is wearing the appropriate uniform. From tomorrow, we will be contacting parents to highlight concerns about uniform. Where necessary, we may be providing spare items of uniform for children to change into that are in line with our Dress Code policy. Thank you for supporting us in setting and maintaining high standards for our children and school community.

## Admin Notices

### School Photos

You should have received the proof for your child's school photo. We are now using a different company who require you to order online, you must do this by **9th October**, any orders placed after this will incur an admin charge. Order forms/money will not be accepted at the office.

### Unnamed uniform

After only 4 weeks of term, we already have a large amount of lost property uniform. A lot of the uniform is not named and so makes it extremely difficult for us to reunite it with its owner. We end up with huge amounts of uniform that eventually gets put into spares or sent to charity.

Please name anything you send into school, if it is misplaced we will try our best to reunite it with your child, unfortunately if it is not named we can not guarantee this.

### Uniform donations

We will gladly accept uniform donations for things you no longer need, however can we please request that all donations are clean and hole free. We do not accept anything other than school uniform.

### KS2 Morning snacks

Quite a large number of KS2 children are not bringing morning snacks to school, we do have a small amount of things we can offer them but unfortunately there are days when we do not have enough for everyone. Please do remember to send in a fruit or veg snack for your KS2 child if they would like them.

## Reading Doctor

The Reading Doctor specialises in helping children overcome reading challenges, using proven methods tailored to each child's needs.

If you are interested in booking Catherine, who comes to the school during school hours to work with the children, please have a look at the flyer below. She currently has spaces available.



At English Martyrs  
starting school is  
magical!



*Come and join us for a free  
magic show for pre-schoolers  
followed by a tour of the  
school:*

*Sunday 26th October*

*Saturday 8th November*

*Both shows start at 3.00 p.m.*

*Booking essential—please use  
the QR code or follow the  
link:*

*[https://forms.office.com/e/  
tYp8fM4NRc](https://forms.office.com/e/tYp8fM4NRc)*

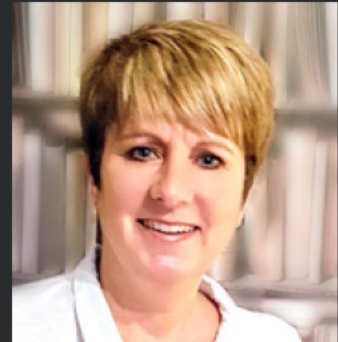
- Individualised learning
- Reading for meaning
- Age-appropriate
- Multi-sensory
- Tracks progress
- Neurodiverse friendly

I'm Catherine, a teacher with extensive experience, offering a personalised reading intervention for struggling readers.



07828 558183

Book an initial assessment now



## WORTHING UNITED YOUTH INCLUSIVE FOOTBALL

Does your child love football or just want to give it a go?

Our inclusive SEND football sessions are specially designed for children and young people aged 5 - 16 years with special educational needs and disabilities.

- Friendly, supportive coaches
- A safe space where everyone can enjoy football
- Opportunities to make new friends and grow in confidence

LOCATION: DAVISON HIGH SCHOOL  
TIME: 10.30 - 11.30 AM  
DATE: EVERY OTHER SATURDAY (FROM 27/09/25)

PLEASE NOTE: THE SESSIONS ARE ON A 3G PITCH AND NOT SUITABLE FOR WHEELCHAIR USERS



FOR MORE INFORMATION  
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## ASPIRE

Lancing Prep Worthing

## Saturday School

Saturday 11 October -FREE to attend  
9am-12pm

Open to children who attend other schools

Is your child a bright and talented Year 5 pupil with great aspirations?

If the answer is yes, we would love for them to join us for a fun morning of English-based Metacognition Exercise, PE/Team Building Games and History Detectives.



Register Now!

<https://bit.ly/AspireSaturday11OCT25>



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