

## St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Ipswich

## `Living and Learning through Faith`

July 2025







This half term in R.E, we have been exploring the theme of 'Dialogue and Encounter', focusing on kindness, community, different beliefs and what it means to be a Good Samaritan. We took part in a spider web activity, where each child shared who their 'neighbour' is. As each child spoke, we connected a piece of string across the circle. The children enjoyed experiencing their own Shabbat meal. We shared noodles, raisins, apples, carrots and cake,

while learning about the importance of rest, family and tradition in Jewish faith.



This term in History, we have been learning all about Felixstowe and then revisiting our previous topic The Great Fire of London. As part of our local history focus, we had a

fantastic trip to Felixstowe Beach! During our visit, we explored the Flood Memorial, enjoyed a walk along the beach and had time in the arcades. The highlight for many was, of course, tucking into some delicious chips and ice-cream!



This term in Maths, we've been getting ready for Year 3. The children have been working hard on more challenging calculations and they've really impressed us with their determination and progress! I am certainly very proud of their progress!



Year 2





This half term in Science, we have been learning all about plants. As part of our topic, we were very lucky to welcome Miss Maskery's Dad! He used to

to talk to the children about farming, crops and how plants grow. He brought in some real crops for the children to see. The children also had the

opportunity to plant their own sunflower seeds.





This half term, we have had a fantastic time exploring 3D art as part of Arts Week! We explored the styles of artists such as Angie Lewin, Picasso, and Kandinsky, as well as revisiting all the artists we've studied throughout the year.









In English the children have been learning about Non-Chronological Reports, Simple Telling of a Narrative, Recount from Personal Experience, Character Description and Poetry. The children have created beautiful written work, which has been a pleasure to read!

In Reading this term, we've enjoyed reading a variety of exciting and inspiring texts. We explored Great Women Who Changed the World, learning about real-life heroes who made a difference. We also read the fable The Sun and The Wind and had lots of fun diving into the world of Fantastic Mr Fox by Roald Dahl.

This term in Geography, we have been learning about the Yanomami people of the rainforest. The children were fascinated to explore what life is like in the rainforest and enjoyed looking at real photos of the Yanomami community and their environment. The children painted beautiful rainforest scenes and drew detailed pictures of the Yanomami tribe.

Year 2 have worked incredibly hard this term—it's been such a busy and exciting time, filled with so many brilliant moments (too many to list and too many photos to count!). I am incredibly proud of everything the children have achieved this year. It's hard to believe the year is coming to an end—it has truly flown by! Well done, Year 2—you've been amazing!