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Dear Parents and Guardians

I am delighted to announce the launch of our new website, designed to provide a comprehensive overview of our mission and aims, useful information and news in a fresh, modern and user-friendly way. Going forward, we will continue to communicate regularly through the weekly newsletters the latest news from the Nursery, Pre-Prep, Prep and Senior Departments. In addition, the website will be updated regularly with photos from the various events and activities that have been happening at the school, and we also intend to add video content in the near future. You can find us at www.stfelix.co.uk

In celebration of 'Saint Felix Day' on Thursday 8 March, we have organised various events throughout the week commencing Monday 5 March. On Thursday 8 March the Senior Department students will attend a formal Chapel Service and during lunch all pupils will enjoy a slice of cake to mark the school's official 121st anniversary. In the evening, the Sixth Formers will attend a formal dinner with Mr Ian Greenfield, creative agency owner and Managing Director of the Production Bureau in Norwich, as guest speaker.

On Friday 9 March we have organised a 'Founder's Walk'. It is our intention that all pupils will take part in the walk, joining at various stages, depending upon age and ability. This is a symbolic acknowledgement of the school's history, which begins at Elizabeth Garrett Anderson's summer house in Aldeburgh, where the founder and Headmistress, Miss Margaret Isabella Gardiner, had her first lessons. We anticipate arriving back to school at 4pm for afternoon tea in the Dining Hall, where all parents are warmly invited to join us. At this stage, please be aware that the pick-up time on this date will be from 4pm onwards for the whole school. The school buses, and the boarders' buses for Exeat, will leave school at 5pm. Further details about the walk will be sent to parents following next Monday's whole school assembly.

Year 11 Careers

On Friday 2 March Year 11 students will be visiting a careers fair hosted by Ormiston Denes Academy in Lowestoft. The students will have the opportunity to talk to local and national businesses as well as industry links about careers opportunities and the apprenticeship schemes available.

English Department News

To mark and celebrate World Book Day on Thursday 1 March, Year 7 and 8 students will be verbally jousting in order to defend their favourite book against all-comers. The students will take part in a 'Battle of the Books' competition parrying questions and lunging back with sharp responses to show that their choice is the champion read! There will be prizes for winners

Curriculum News

The Year 13 mock examinations begin week commencing Monday 12 March. Students should be preparing for these as it is an indicator of their readiness for the summer examinations.

Sports Department News

During half term, Lauren Oram won the Great Yarmouth Athletics Club U20 Club Championships and Brooke came 3rd in the U15 competition. Lauren also holds the club record for the 1500m and 1 mile race for the U20's.

On Sunday 18 February Poppy Branton and Brooke Oram competed in the Suffolk Winter League at Nowton Park Bury St Edmunds. Brooke and Poppy had to run with both boys and girls aged between 11-16 years old. Poppy finished in 27th place overall, 5th girl back overall and 2nd girl back in her age group. Brooke finished 41st.

On Tuesday 20 February the U16/18 Netball team beat Thomas Mills High School 13-9. Player of the Match was Maria Donovan.

On Wednesday 21 February the U12/U13 Netball teams had a successful afternoon at Norwich School. The A team beat Town Close U13C team 8-6 and Norwich School U13C team 4-3. Player of the Match for both matches was Michaela Taiwo.

Diary Dates:

Wednesday 28 February

- ABRSM Music Theory Examinations
- Year 11 Geography field trip

Thursday 8 March

- Saint Felix Day
- Saint Felix Day Sixth Form Dinner in the Dining Hall (8pm)

Friday 9 March

Saint Felix Day Founder's Walk

Mr James Harrison
Headmaster