‘With God all things are possible’

The Rosary Trust

Our Lady Immaculate School News

Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Primary School
A Multi-Academy

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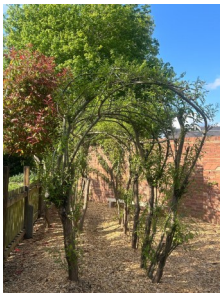
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Dear Parents and Carers,

I do hope you all had a peaceful and blessed Easter break. It has been lovely welcoming back the children to the Summer Term, all looking well rested and ready for this final term of the year. Already this week, our girls and boys’ football teams have been in action against Great Leighs, just one of several upcoming sporting fixtures for this term. Please do keep an eye on our diary dates below for trips etc.

Preparations are now well underway for the official opening of our new Prayer Garden, generously provided for us by our friends at New Hall School. The children will be able to use this for spontaneous and organised prayer.







Following the sad news this Easter Monday of the passing of our Holy Father Pope Francis, Fr Martin and Fr Damien invite us to join them in offering the following prayer for the Pope.

O God, faithful rewarder of souls,

Grant that your departed servant Pope Francis, whom you made successor of Peter and shepherd of your church, may happily enjoy for ever in your presence in heaven the mysteries of your grace and compassion, which he faithfully ministered on earth.

Through Our Lord Jesus Christ, your son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen

Warmest wishes and God Bless,

Mrs Sophie Gibbs
Head of School

Thought for the weekend!



TEN TEN

Prayer and Liturgy Monthly Newsletter

Parent Newsletter – Ten Ten Resources

Our Virtue

Virtues to Live by

You Persevere and you are Resilient

when

You don’t let doubts stop you from trying.

You are not afraid because you know you are not alone.

You ask God to help you grow through your personal challenges.

You take one step at a time – you keep going!

You complete what you start.

You are a reliable classmate.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Please note: new information will be presented in red

APRIL 2025	
Wednesday, 30th	Year 5 Mass @ 9.30am Reception class trip to Chelmsford Market - 1.30pm
MAY 2025	
Thursday, 1st	Year 5 meeting re. Year 6 residential 2026 @ 5.30pm
Friday, 2nd	Junior Music Festival rehearsal at Bishops School (12.30pm - 3pm)
Wednesday, 7th	Year 4 Mass @ 9.30am
Wednesday, 14th	Year 3 Mass @ 9.30am
Thursday, 15th	Reception trip to Hyde Hall
Wednesday, 21st	Year 1 & 2 Mass @ 9.30am Culture Fair - 1.30pm
Thursday, 22nd	Essex Fire visiting year 6
Friday, 23rd	Family Day (Mass and Sports Day)
Monday, 26th - Friday, 30th	Half-term
JUNE 2025	
Wednesday, 4th	Year 5 Mass @ 9.30am Year 6 visiting Chelmsford Museum (WW1) - details coming soon
Friday, 6th	Year 3 trip to Colchester Museum
Wednesday, 11th	Year 4 Mass @ 9.30am
Monday, 16th - Wednesday, 18th	Year 6 Residential trip to Bawdsey Manor
Wednesday, 18th	Year 3 Mass @ 9.30am
Thursday, 19th	Junior Music Festival
Saturday, 21st	Friends' Talent show
Tuesday, 24th	Year 5 trip to Writtle College (Food and Farming day)
Wednesday, 25th	Year 2 Mass @ 9.30am Gotta Dance Performance @ The Civic Theatre
Thursday, 26th	Reception trip to Chelmsford Museum (details coming soon) Year 4 - History off the Page - Egyptian Day

JUNE 2025 cont...	
Friday, 27th	Essex Fire visiting year 6
Monday, 30th	Year 2 Mini Games (details coming soon)
JULY 2025	
Tuesday, 1st	Year 6 visiting Chelmsford Museum (WW2) - details coming soon
Saturday, 5th	Friends' Summer festival
Tuesday, 8th	Year 6 trip to Adventure Island
Friday, 18th	LAST DAY OF TERM
Monday, 21st	INSET DAY
Tuesday, 22nd	INSET DAY

MERIT BADGES

WEEK ENDING 25th April 2025

(Merit Badges are awarded for demonstrating the Value of the Week)

Foundation	Monica	Indigo
Year 1	Odhran	Natalia
Year 2	Leila	Rachel
Year 3	Mia	Kingsley
Year 4	Agatha	Kaleb
Year 5	Belle	Daniel
Year 6	Aurora	Cillian

HOUSE POINTS

WEEK ENDING 25th April 2025

(figures in brackets refer to aggregated totals from the start of term)

BECKET	CAMPION	FISHER	MORE
1st (388)	2nd (358)	3rd (360)	4th (340)

LEARNER OF THE WEEK

WEEK ENDING 25th April 2025

Foundation	Sophia	Thalia
Year 1	Oliver B	Miriam
Year 2	Enzo	Olivia
Year 3	Savio	Sienna
Year 4	Elsie	Molly
Year 5	Alexander	Charlotte
Year 6	Edward	Abril

YEAR 6 PREFECTS

Summer Term

HEAD BOY

Oscar

HEAD GIRL

Nell

DEPUTY HEAD BOY

Malachy

DEPUTY HEAD GIRL

Natalia

HOUSE CAPTAINS



Fisher	Joseph	Lara-Rose
Beckett	Aurora	Oliver
Campion	Victor	Maria
More	Abigail	Kushal



GATE PREFECTS

David C

Lillie-Mae

Isaac

Brian

LANYARD PRFECT

Akosua

CHAPLAINCY LEADERS

Isaac

David C

Sofia O'S

Cillian

Lara-Rose

Rhoda

PE LEADERS

Dorian

Jackson

Sofia O'S

Joseph

CLASSROOM PREFECTS

Cillian

David A-H

ASSEMBLY PREFECTS

Liam

Edward

Maria

Chimdike

Edith

HYMN PRACTICE LEADERS

Abril

Florence J

COMPUTING LEADERS

Sofia I

Rhoda



MOBILE PHONE PREFECT

Hattie

COMMUNICATION BOOK

Florence C



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WHAT'S ON AT THE ARK

28.04.25 - 02.05.25

AFTER SCHOOL

Wednesday **Hula hoop competition from 3.30pm**

Friends Association News

Welcome back after the Easter holidays, we hope you had a lovely break.

So far we have raised £9,000 towards the target of £12,000 needed to provide new laptops for the school for September. Thank you for all your support. We have a number of other fundraising events this term to hopefully reach this target by the summer. The talent show will be back by popular demand on Saturday 21st June, so save the date. The summer festival will be on Saturday 5th July, again save the date. We will also be having a break the rules day and fathers day gift sale.

Pre-loved summer uniform is in the front office for a small donation to the friends.

Weekly parents lottery

Please sign up to the weekly lottery run through Parenkind for your chance to win greta prizes and also help the school raise funds for the new laptops this year. It's really easy to sign up up, follow the link: https://www.theparentslottery.org/school/our-lady-immaculate-school1738784136

Easy fundraising

Our Lady Immaculate School - is registered with easyfundraising, which means over 8,000 retailers will donate to us for FREE every time you use easyfundraising to shop with them. These donations help SO MUCH, so please sign up to support us – it's completely FREE and doesn't take long. Downloading the app makes donations on your usual online shopping easy! Please take a look at the link below and sign up.

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ourladyimmaculate/?utm_source=whatsapp&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=pmc&utm_content=gs-wa1

Donations

Any donations toward the 32 laptops required would be gratefully received. Email the friends and payment link below. friends@ourladyimmaculate.essex.sch.uk

https://pay.sumup.com/b2c/QBHSRNVY

Don't forget, your company may be able to match our fundraising efforts, or they may have charitable donation schemes.

Many thanks

The Friends Association




SPORTING AT OLI




On Thursday, 24th April, the girls' and boys' football teams played Great Leighs Primary School. Unfortunately, both teams lost (3-1 girls/2-1 boys) but some enjoyable football was played by all.



GARDENING WITH THE ECO CLUB

We had great fun gardening with the eco club in our new Prayer garden. Many thanks to Mrs Perrott and Mrs Lee for all their help.





Well done to our Eco Heroes Oscar and Annie for their litter picking over the Easter Holidays, being true stewards of Earth.



Safeguarding

The wellbeing of our children is of paramount importance to all staff. Should any parent have a concern regarding a child's wellbeing, please inform the school's Designated Safeguarding officer: **Mrs Gibbs** or the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Officer: **Mrs Hale.**

In cases where school staff have concerns, they have a statutory duty to discuss the issue with one of the Designated Safeguarding Officers to seek further advice.

"Safeguarding is thinking the unthinkable and then figuring out how to reduce the probability of the unthinkable happening."

Graham Fawcet

MENU WEEK COMMENCING - 28th April – Week 2

Please refer to the menus on our website so the children are aware and know what to choose when asked by their teachers. Please use the online payment system to pay for all dinners (Years 3 to 6).

Is your child eligible for this award - Free School Meals?

In order for the school to receive the Pupil Premium funding, a parent/carer must be claiming one of the following benefits:

- Income Support / Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (as long as you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- **Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit) Universal Credit.**

Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get). **Further information can be found on** https://www.essex.gov.uk/free-school-meals

Attendance

Attendance Data:

94% and below | **94% - 96.9%** | **97% and above**

	Last week % 31.03.25 - 04.04.25	This week % 22.04.25 - 25.04.25
Foundation	90%	91.5%
Year 1	94.7%	93.8%
Year 2	95.3%	95%
Year 3	99%	97.7%
Year 4	96.9%	97.7%
Year 5	94.2%	92.4%
Year 6	96.3%	96.1%
Whole School Total	**95.3%**	**94.9%**

Congratulations to Year 3 & 4 for being above 97%. The aim of the attendance chart is for all classes to achieve green.

If your child's attendance falls below 95%, you will receive a legal attendance letter as per the Attendance Policy.