‘With God all things are possible’

The Rosary Trust

Our Lady Immaculate School News

Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Primary School
A Multi-Academy

13th June 2025 **Issue 33**

THE SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS ARE 7:30 AM. UNTIL 4:00 PM. MONDAY—FRIDAY
Tel: 01245 353755

Dear Parents and Carers,

For the next three weeks we will be growing in our Virtue of Honesty, reflecting on how we can be true to ourselves and be truthful following in the footsteps of Jesus.

This week we celebrated Pentecost, the end of Eastertide, in school. We talked about inviting the Holy Spirit into our lives so we can share the Good News like the first disciples.

Well done to our Year 1 and Year 4 children who took their phonics and times table tests this week, the children were amazing. Thank you to all parents and carers for their support in ensuring the children practiced and revised at home and were prepared.

Next week, Year 6 accompanied by Miss Schultz, Miss Hitchen and myself are off on our long anticipated residential to Bawdsey Manor. Our choir will be performing in the Junior Music Festival at the Civic Theatre on Thursday and I look forward to joining many of you there to enjoy their performance. Thank you to Mrs Harding-Smith for all of her hard work preparing the choir.

On Saturday, ‘The show will go on,’ as we have our Friends Association talent show! Our Chair of Governors Miss Squires and myself are very much looking forward to it.

We hope this weekend that all our Fathers and Father figures have a wonderful Father’s Day. Thank you to the Friends Association for the lovely gifts. We also take a moment to remember all those we have sadly lost, May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

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

I am Honest

when

I tell the truth.

I can be trusted.

I am honest about my words and actions.

I make promises I can keep.

My actions match my words.

I am true to myself and follow what I know to be right.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Please note: new information will be presented in red

JUNE 2025	
Monday, 16th - Wednesday, 18th	Year 6 Residential trip to Bawdsey Manor
Wednesday, 18th	Year 3 Mass @ 9.30am
Thursday, 19th	Junior Music Festival - rehearsal 9am - 2.30pm / arrival for performance 6.30pm
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 Year 4 - History off the Page - Egyptian Day
Friday, 27th	Essex Fire visiting year 6
Monday, 30th	Year 2 Mini Games
JULY 2025	
Tuesday, 1st	Year 6 visiting Chelmsford Museum (WW2)
Wednesday, 2nd	Year 1 Mass @ 9.30am
Saturday, 5th	Friends' Summer festival
Tuesday, 8th	Year 6 trip to Adventure Island
Wednesday, 9th	Transition afternoon (meeting their new teachers) - 1.30pm - 3pm
Thursday, 10th	Year 6 End of Year Show - 6pm in the school hall
Friday, 11th	Year 6 water fight (during the school day)
Tuesday, 15th	Year 6 disco (during the school day)
Thursday, 17th	Year 6 Leavers' Mass - 6pm in the Church
Friday, 18th	Year 6 - signing shirts LAST DAY OF TERM (NO ARK AFTER SCHOOL CLUB) - SCHOOL CLOSES AT 3.15PM)
Monday, 21st	INSET DAY
Tuesday, 22nd	INSET DAY

MERIT BADGES

WEEK ENDING 13th June 2025

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

Foundation	Monica	Freya
Year 1	Tigerlilly	Miriam
Year 2	Claudia	TJ
Year 3	Violet	Nahson
Year 4	Hugh T-C	Sienna
Year 5	Charlotte	Julian
Year 6	Edward	Joseph

HOUSE POINTS

WEEK ENDING 13th June 2025

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

BECKET	CAMPION	FISHER	MORE
2nd (463)	2nd (432)	1st (460)	1st (424)

LEARNER OF THE WEEK

WEEK ENDING 13th June 2025

Foundation	Israel	Noelani
Year 1	Oliver W	Kezia
Year 2	Adam	Ethan
Year 3	Savio	Francine
Year 4	Kaleb	Mia
Year 5	Elijah	Kimberley
Year 6	David A-H	Edith

PARENT EMAIL ADDRESS

parents@ourladyimmaculate.essex.sch.uk Please use the parent email address to leave messages about a child's absence or pick up arrangements. Child absences must be reported by 9 a.m. on the first day, and changes to pick up can be emailed until **2 p.m. on the day**. – You must ring the school thereafter.

PLEASE DO NOT SEND ABSENCE NOTES AND PICK UP ARRANGEMENTS VIA THE ADMIN@ EMAIL ADDRESS NOR VIA SCHOOLCOMMS – THANK YOU.

Our Lady Immaculate fully complies with information legislation. For the full details on how we use your personal information please see our privacy notices which are located on our school website (www.ourladyimmaculateprimary.uk) under 'Key Information/GDPR and Privacy

WHAT'S ON AT THE ARK

16.06.25 - 20.06.25

AFTER SCHOOL

Wednesday **Hama beads and friendship bracelets from 3.30pm**




SPORTING AT OLI




Year 5 Basketball competition

On Tuesday, 10th June, some children from year 5 attended a basketball competition at Great Baddow High School. The children played well and had a fantastic time finishing 3rd overall.



Year 6 District Sports

On Monday, 9th June, six children from year 6 took part in the annual District Sports event. All performed to the best of their abilities and were great ambassadors for Our Lady Immaculate. Isaac finished in 2nd place for high jump, David C and Rhoda finishing 2nd and 3rd respectively for long jump, Oscar and Nell took part in throwing and Abril in high jump.



Friends Association News

Upcoming events

Talent show - 21st June

Those taking part should have been emailed this week. Please send in your music acts ASAP. Further information about ticket purchases will be shared soon. We can't wait to see the incredible talent your children will bring to the stage - it's always a joy to see them perform for friends and family!

Summer Festival - 5th July

Please save the date!

Please let us know if you or your company are able to donate any prizes for the raffle.

We will send out details for hamper donations next week. We would also like soft toy donations for the teddy tombola.

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, 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

DROP OFF AND PICK UP PARKING

Church Car Park and Staff Car Park (in front of school)

Please remember that there is NO PARKING behind the church when dropping off or collecting your child. The car park is for Church use only.



Please also note that you are not to park in the staff car park (in front of the school) for drop off for the Ark. This applies to both before and after school.

YEAR 2 TRIP TO WAGAMAMA'S













YEAR 3 TRIP TO COLCHESTER MUSEUM







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

Child Protection & Safeguarding

MENU WEEK COMMENCING - 16th June – 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 % **02.06.25 - 06.06.25**	**This week %**
Foundation	93.1%	94.5%
Year 1	94.7%	98.7%
Year 2	96%	99.3%
Year 3	88.4%	95.6%
Year 4	94.7%	95%
Year 5	93.8%	92.8%
Year 6	97.8%	95.9%
Whole School Total	**94.1%**	**95.9%**

Congratulations to Year 1 and 2 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.