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

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to once again extend my thanks to our incredible Friends Association, who have been fundraising to reach our target of £12,000 to buy 32 much needed new laptops for pupils. On Saturday I really enjoyed the OLI’s Got Talent show, I was blown away by all the brilliant performers and a special congratulations to our winners. Our Summer Festival on the 5th July will be our last event of the year, so please do support this in any way you can.

This week, our Year 5 class visited the Farm to Fork Festival to learn more about how our food is grown and produced. Our Reception class visited Chelmsford Museum to learn more about toys from the past. The talent continued too as our dancers performed on Wednesday at the Got to Dance Show. Thank you to Mrs Daley and Miss Schultz for all their hard work in preparing the children. If you missed the show, we would like to invite all the dancers to participate in a special performance at the opening of our Summer Festival.

As part of our Jubilee Year celebrations we held our Pop Up Pilgrimage, where the children visited different prayer stations throughout the school which were run by our Mini Vinnies and Chaplains. Thank you to Mrs Kelly for organising.

A big thank you to Mr Kelly, one of our grandparents, who made seven beautiful wooden crosses for each class to decorate. These are now proudly displayed in our Prayer Garden thanks to Mr Hogan. They are there to remind of us of the Year of Hope. We will soon be making our CAFOD Jubilee pledges. In order to help your children with this, please watch this video from CAFOD. If you would like to share your family pledges then do send these in with your children and we will display them.

Jubilee Pledge Day: Voices of hope | CAFOD

Warmest wishes and God Bless,

Mrs Sophie Gibbs

Head of School

Thought for the weekend!

JUBILEE 2025 PILGRIMS OF HOPE

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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, 30th	Year 2 Mini Games
JULY 2025	
Tuesday, 1st	Year 6 visiting Chelmsford Museum (WW2)
Wednesday, 2nd	Year 1 Mass @ 9.30am
Thursday, 3rd	Year 5 taster day at St. John Payne
Friday, 4th	Non-uniform day - bring a bottle (details below)
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
SEPTEMBER 2025	
Monday, 1st	INSET DAY
Tuesday, 2nd	First day of Autumn term

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.

MERIT BADGES

WEEK ENDING 27th June 2025

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

Foundation	Eliza	Libby
Year 1	Finley	Aaliyah
Year 2	Neve	Adam
Year 3	Anna	Aidan
Year 4	Emma	Oscar
Year 5	Kimberley	Lachlan
Year 6	Abigail	Natalia

HOUSE POINTS

WEEK ENDING 27th June 2025

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

BECKET	CAMPION	FISHER	MORE
1st (486)	4th (445)	1st (483)	3rd (445)

LEARNER OF THE WEEK

WEEK ENDING 27th June 2025

Foundation	Bjorn	Samuel
Year 1	Odhran	Nathalia
Year 2	Leila	Kaitlyn
Year 3	Kingsley	Riona
Year 4	Richmond	Jocelyn
Year 5	Jeffray	Hanna
Year 6	Lara-Rose	Abril

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

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

Friends Association News

Thank you for all the contestants who took part in the talent show last week, they were all fantastic and very difficult to judge. The evening was brilliant and everyone thoroughly enjoyed it. Thank you very much for all the volunteers who helped make the event work and thanks in particular to the judges too.

Upcoming event - Summer Festival – 5th July

Grand draw tickets- please complete the stubs and return them to school.

For the raffle - We will be making themed hamper donations and would really appreciate any donations. See the below themes for suggested item for your year group:

Foundation	**Little Artist** – Crayons, colouring books, child-safe paints, stickers.
Year 1	**Storytime Magic** – Picture books, cozy socks, bookmarks, cuddly toy.
Year 2	**Garden & outdoor play* – Child-sized tools, seed packets, watering cans, outdoor toys, bubbles, chalk, skipping ropes.
Year 3	**Craft & Create** – DIY kits, patterned paper, beads, glue sticks.
Year 4	**Summer Fun** – Sunglasses, sunscreen, beach toys, lemonade/bubble tea mix, sweatbands, freebie, beach ball, insulated bottle
Year 5	**Science Explorers** – Simple experiment kits, magnifying glasses, fun fact books.
Year 6	**Movie Night In** – Popcorn, cozy blanket, fun DVDs, cinema snacks.

We will also be looking for teddy donations for the teddy tombola and sweet donations for the sweet tombola. The trolley will be out next week for any donations.

We would also love any cake donations to sell on the day, shop brought or homemade. They need to have ingredients listed and not contain nuts. Cakes can be brought in on Friday or Saturday.

On Friday, please bring a bottle for the bottle tombola in exchange for your children wearing non-school uniform. Bottles of alcohol are preferred.

Many thanks

The Friends

OLI Friends Association



WOODEN CROSSES IN THE PEACE GARDEN





YEAR 2 MASS

On Wednesday 25th June, year 2 attended the 9.30am Mass. This was a special occasion as it was the third anniversary since Father Damien was ordained. The children in year 2 had made him a card and presented it to him at the Mass.





YEAR 5 - FARM TO FORK PHOTOS







GOT TO DANCE PHOTOS





WHAT'S ON AT THE ARK

30.06.25 - 04.07.25

AFTER SCHOOL

Wednesday **Movie night from 3.30pm**

News from the ARK

Bookings can be made up until 10pm the night before. Please note that the Ark will no longer be providing a drink and a biscuit to children attending the externally provided clubs due to rising costs. However, they are welcome to bring their own snack and refill their water bottles.

Morning Sessions: 7:30am until 8:30am

Afternoon Sessions: 3:15pm until 4:15pm

4:15pm until 5:15pm

5:15pm until 6:15pm

Friday closes at 5.15pm

MENU WEEK COMMENCING - 30th June – Week 1

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

HEALTHY SCHOOL POLICY—SNACKS AND PACKED LUNCH



REMINDER - If your child brings a packed lunch with them, please remember that, no cans or glass bottles are allowed and we also request that parents avoid giving children crisps or chocolate in line with our Healthy School Policy. Nuts (including in biscuits etc,) are not permitted in school as some of our children suffer from anaphylaxis, which is a serious allergy to nuts.

This also applies for your child's snack.

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.



Attendance

Attendance Data:

94% and below	94% - 96.9%	97% and above
	Last week % **16.06.25 - 20.06.25**	**This week %** **23.06.25 - 27.06.25**
Foundation	93.4%	98.3%
Year 1	97.7%	99.3%
Year 2	97.3%	100%
Year 3	95.9%	98.4%
Year 4	98.%	94.1%
Year 5	94.7%	96.3%
Year 6	93.8%	Secondary school induction week
Whole School Total	**95.9%**	**94.7%**

Congratulations to Years 1, 2 and 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.