'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,

For the last three weeks of this term, we will be focusing on growing in the Virtue of Service. This is so apt given that in assembly this week, we were focusing on Saints Peter and Paul, who gave their lives in the service of God. The children have been asked to think about how they can share their faith through their actions and words.

It was a great pleasure to attend Mass at New Hall last Sunday and celebrate with all the children who made their Holy Communion across the joint parishes. I look forward to this annual event. The children looked wonderful.

This week, Year 2 attended the Mini Games which, despite the heat, they really enjoyed. It was a great experience for them.

Our Netball Team played a friendly match on Monday and performed well.

Yesterday, we had a visit from the Rock Steady Team to introduce their programme to the children.

Year 6 went to the Chelmsford Museum on Tuesday to learn more about their World War II topic. Today we hosted the Rosary Trust Year 6 retreat day, this is an opportunity for all the Year 6 pupils across the Trust Schools to come together in thanksgiving. Thank you to Father Martin for hosting Mass for us. The day was a chance for the children, who may well be going onto the same secondary schools, to meet, get to know each other and share their faith.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who responded to our Inspection Survey or who spoke to the inspectors, your contributions are much appreciated.

Finally, I look forward to seeing many of you at our Friends Association Summer Festival tomorrow. For full details please see the Friends page below.

Warmest wishes and God Bless,

Mrs Sophie Gibbs

Head of School

Thought for the weekend!



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Prayer and Liturgy Monthly Newsletter

Parent Newsletter – Ten Ten Resources

Our Virtue

Virtues to Live by

I am Serving

when

I think of the needs of others and how I can help.

I am willing to give my time to serve others.

I know there are different ways to serve.

I bring joy to myself and others.

I discover my own gifts.

I am enthusiastic when I help.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Please note: new information will be presented in red

JULY 2025	
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.

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.

MERIT BADGES

WEEK ENDING 4th June 2025

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

Foundation	Riley	Inayaat
Year 1	Olaedo	Ike
Year 2	Daisy	Tadhg
Year 3	Toby	Violet
Year 4	Charlene	Oscar
Year 5	Eloise	Isabella
Year 6	Oliver	Cillian

HOUSE POINTS

WEEK ENDING 4th 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 4th June 2025

Foundation	Mugunthan	Samuel
Year 1	Edward	Emily
Year 2	Jan	Hannah
Year 3	Nahson	Emily
Year 4	Hugh K	Sienna
Year 5	Belle	Daniel
Year 6	Kushal	Sofia I

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

Summer Festival – 5th July

We really hope you can make the summer festival tomorrow, it should be an afternoon full of fun for all the family. Raffle prizes are fantastic!

Tickets are available online or can be bought on the gate.

Please let us know if you're able to volunteer at all.



OLI Friends Association

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

THE ARK

ROCKSTEADY MUSIC SCHOOL





YEAR 2 MINI GAMES







MENU WEEK COMMENCING - 7th July – 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 % **23.06.25 - 27.06.25**	**This week %** **23.06.25 - 27.06.25**
Foundation	98.3%	94.5%
Year 1	99.3%	98%
Year 2	100%	96.7%
Year 3	98.4%	98.1%
Year 4	94.1%	97.5%
Year 5	96.3%	97.5%
Year 6	Secondary school induction week	96.3%
Whole School Total	**94.7%**	**97%**

Congratulations to Years 1, 3, 4 and 5 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.