19th December 2025

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Weekly Newsletter

Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Primary School
A Multi-Academy

The Rosary Trust

THE SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS ARE 7:30 AM. UNTIL 4:00 PM. MONDAY - FRIDAY

Dear Parents and Carers,

On behalf of all the staff, thank you for your kind, thoughtful gifts and Christmas wishes. We hope you have a blessed and peaceful Christmas break.

On a personal note, I would like to thank you for your continued support as I step into the role of Headteacher on a permanent basis. I am excited to continue my leadership journey here, working alongside all of you, our brilliant staff and our wonderful children.

On a sadder note, I am sure you will join me in bidding a fond farewell and offering a very big thank you to Father Martin for his hard work and dedication to our school. We wish him joy and happiness in his new parish.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Mrs Sophie Gibbs -Headteacher

Notices

- **School opens for pupils on Tuesday 6th of January.**
- **Please visit the link below for the Christmas mass and service schedule for the parish.**

Christmas Week Mass Times across the Chelmsford… | Chelmsford Catholic

Cath- olic life of the school



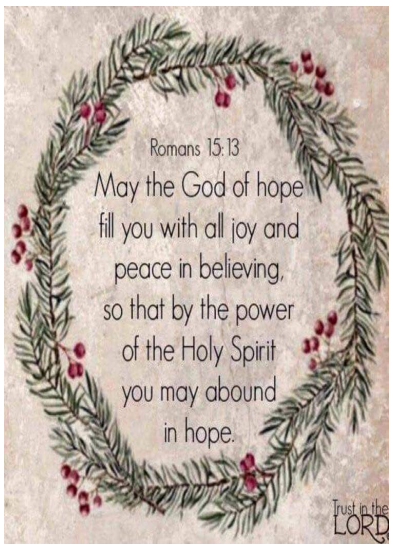


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Prayer and Liturgy Monthly Newsletter

Parent Newsletter – Ten Ten Resources





DATES TO REMEMBER

Please note:

new information will be presented in red

JANUARY 2026	
Monday, 5th	INSET DAY
Tuesday, 6th	First day back of Spring term
Wednesday, 7th	Whole school Epiphany Mass - 9am in the church
Wednesday, 14th	Year 2 Mass - 9.30am in the church
Wednesday, 21st	Year 1 Mass - 9.30am in the church
Wednesday, 28th	Reception and Year 6 Mass - 9.30am in the church
FEBRUARY 2026	
Monday, 2nd	Year 2 - Roald Dahl Day
Tuesday, 3rd	Year 6 visiting Chelmsford Museum (Electrical Engineers) Year 4 Superstars
Wednesday, 4th	Year 5 Mass - 9.30am in the church
Tuesday, 10th	Parents evening - 3.30pm - 6.30pm
Wednesday, 11th	Year 4 Mass - 9.30am in the church
Thursday, 12th	Parents evening - 3.30pm - 6.30pm
Monday, 16th - Friday, 20th	Half-term
MARCH 2026	
Wednesday, 18th	Year 6 trip to Down House
Friday, 27th	Last day of Spring term
APRIL 2026	
Monday, 13th	First day of Summer term
Wednesday, 22nd	Year 3 trip to Colchester Museum
Tuesday, 28th	Reception trip to Hyde Hall Year 2 - 3Tees sports
MAY 2026	
Thursday, 14th	Year 2 trip to Osea View Beach
Monday, 25th - Friday, 29th	Half-term

JUNE 2026	
Monday, 1st	INSET DAY
Wednesday, 3rd	Year 1 trip to Colchester Zoo Year 3 - Fitness 3s
Monday, 15th - Wednesday, 17th	Year 6 Residential trip to Bawdsey Manor
Tuesday, 23rd	Year 5 - Food and Farming Day at Writtle College
Thursday, 25th	Reception trip to Chelmsford Museum
Monday, 29th	Year 2 - Mini Games
JULY 2026	
Friday, 3rd	Year 6 trip to Adventure Island
Friday, 17th	LAST DAY OF TERM - SCHOOL CLOSES AT 3.15PM - NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB
Monday, 20th	INSET DAY

HOUSE POINTS

WEEK ENDING 19TH DECEMBER

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

BECKET	CAMPION	FISHER	MORE
2nd (219)	1st (231)	3rd (195)	4th (193)

MERIT BADGES

WEEK ENDING 19th December 2025

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

Reception	Oscar	Eliana
Year 1	Orla	Grace
Year 2	Edward	Hector
Year 3	Peter	Hannah
Year 4	Raine-Esme	Nahson
Year 5	Heavenly	Richmond
Year 6	Matilda	Anna

LEARNER OF THE WEEK

WEEK ENDING 19th December 2025

Reception	Alaiyah	Shalom
Year 1	Ezra	Sophia
Year 2	Adaora	Maja
Year 3	Angel	Ethan
Year 4	Amari	Rosie
Year 5	Emma	Ayden
Year 6	Johan	Charlie

Friends Association News

Thank you for all of your support over the last term. We have raised the following profit this term:

Disco- £1,130

Break the rules day £345

Family Festive Fun Day £2,341

Christmas gift sale £750

Wreath making £175

This makes an amazing total £4,741 raised this term to support the school.

So far we have given support for the annual IT costs of the school, paid for ipads for each class to support learning and the feast day sweet gifts.

Thanks again for your continued support and as always your generous donations. We hope you all have a lovely Christmas

From The Friends

MENU WEEK COMMENCING - 6th January – 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

Infant Nativity



Junior Carol Concert



PE LESSONS - SPRING TERM 1

Year 1 - Gymnastics (indoors) on Mondays and Fitness (outdoors) on Thursdays

Year 2 - Rugby tots (outdoors) on Mondays and Gymnastics (indoors) on Wednesdays

Year 3 - Football (outdoors) on Tuesdays and Gymnastics (indoors) on Fridays

Year 4 - Fitness (outdoors) on Wednesdays and Gymnastics (indoors) on Fridays

Year 5 - Netball (outdoors) on Wednesdays and Swimming on Fridays

Year 6 - Football (outdoors) on Tuesdays and Gymnastics (indoors) on Fridays

Attendance

Attendance Data:

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

	Last week % **08.12.2025 - 12.12.2025**	**This week %** **15.12.2025 - 18.12.2025**
Foundation	95.2%	96.1%
Year 1	93.4%	91.4%
Year 2	98.6%	97.4%
Year 3	99.4%	96.6%
Year 4	95.2%	94.4%
Year 5	92.6%	96.8%
Year 6	95.9%	95.3%
Whole School Total	**95.8%**	**95.4**

Congratulations to year 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.

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.org) under 'Key Information/GDPR and Privacy Notices' or call 01245 353 755 if you are unable to access the internet.