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Weekly Newsletter

Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Primary School
A Multi-Academy

The Rosary Trust

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well, what a week that was to end the first half of our summer term—it felt like we had all four seasons in one week, weather-wise!

On Thursday, we celebrated World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development. This day was first introduced by the United Nations in 2002. For the second year, we held a cultural fair in school, which exemplifies our value of solidarity and peace. Once again, our incredible community of children, parents and grandparents willingly gave up their time and energy to share food, artwork, artefacts and information from around the globe with our pupils.

Thank you so much to everyone who gave their time—we are so blessed. It was a truly inspiring international celebration.

Today, we came together for our annual sports and family day, for which the sun definitely shone. I hope you all enjoyed the day as much as I did. Special thanks to Miss Hitchen for organising the events, to our feeder Catholic secondary school St John Payne for supplying much-needed volunteers to help the day run smoothly, and of course to Mr Hogan for getting everything set up.

I hope you all enjoy a peaceful and pleasant half term, God Bless,

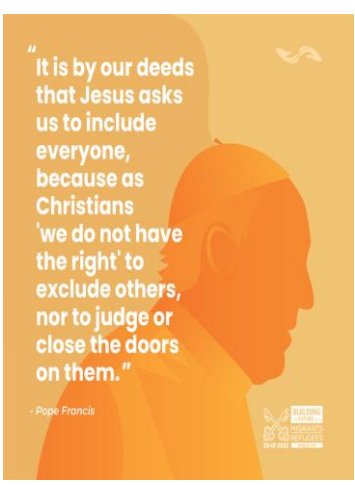
Mrs Sophie Gibbs – Headteacher

Notices

- **Pupils return to school on Tuesday 2nd of June.**
- **Yr 6 netball friendly 2/6**
- **Yr 1 zoo trip 3/6**
- **Yr 3 fitness in 3s at New Hall 3/6**
- **Infant Drama workshop 3/6**

Catholic 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

MAY 2026	
Monday, 25th - Friday, 29th	Half-term
JUNE 2026	
Monday, 1st	INSET DAY
Wednesday, 3rd	Year 1 trip to Colchester Zoo Year 3 - Fitness 3s Year 4 Mass – 9.30am in the Church
Tuesday, 9th	School class photographs
Wednesday, 10th	Year 3 Mass – 9.30am in the Church Year 6 – Cricket event at Writtle Cricket Club Reception class – Road Safety meeting at 2pm
Monday, 15th - Wednesday, 17th	Year 6 Residential trip to Bawdsey Manor
Tuesday, 16th	Year 4 - History off the Page, day in the life of an ancient Egyptian
Wednesday, 17th	Year 2 Mass – 9.30am in the Church
Thursday, 18th	Choir – Junior Music Festival – all day rehearsal and performance at 7pm at the Civic Theatre
Tuesday, 23rd	Year 2 – visiting Wagamama Year 5 - Food and Farming Day at Writtle College
Wednesday, 24th	Year 1 Mass – 9.30am in the Church Dentist visit for year 3 and Reception
Thursday, 25th	Reception trip to Chelmsford Museum
Monday, 29th	Year 2 - Mini Games
JULY 2026	
Wednesday, 1st	Reception and Year 6 Mass – 9.30am in the Church
Thursday, 2nd	Year 6 - The Rosary Trust retreat day to St. Joseph's, Harwich
Friday, 3rd	Year 6 trip to Adventure Island Year 5 – Taster Day at St. John Payne
Saturday, 4th	Friends Association Summer Festival
Wednesday, 8th	Year 5 Mass – 9.30am in the Church
Thursday, 9th	Transition afternoon – 1.30pm – 2.45pm
Tuesday, 14th	Year 6 Production – details coming soon
Thursday, 16th	Year 6 Leavers Mass – 6pm in the Church
Friday, 17th	LAST DAY OF TERM - SCHOOL CLOSES AT 3.15PM - NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB
Monday, 20th	INSET DAY

First Holy Communion

Congratulations and best wishes to Truman, Antoni, Theodora, Annie, Alexander, Hannah, Lewis and Daisy who received the Blessed Sacrament of First Holy Communion last Sunday.









CULTURE DAY – THURSDAY 21ST MAY











SPORTS DAY – FRIDAY 22ND MAY







CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Leo and Hugh T-C from year 5. Their football team, Allstars, finished 2nd in the Blackwater & Dengie League Under 10s Cup.



Safeguarding

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

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."

Attendance Data

94% and below	**94% - 96.9%**	**97% and above**
	Last week % 11.05.26 – 15.05.26	This week % 11.05.26 – 15.05.26
Reception	93.3%	98.3%
Year 1	97.9%	98.6%
Year 2	97.3%	99.3%
Year 3	95.5%	94.5%
Year 4	97.2%	94.7%
Year 5	97.5%	87.2%
Year 6	98.8%	90.6%
Whole School Total	96.8%	94.6%

Congratulations to Reception, years 1 & 2 for being 97% and above. 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.

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