26th June 2026

Issue 36

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,

This extraordinarily hot week rather aptly began with an assembly delivered by the lifeguards from Riverside Leisure Centre about how to Float to Live. As temperatures are set to remain high, please do ensure you are mindful of their advice on how to stay safe around water during this heatwave. This information can be found on the RNLI website: RNLI issues safety advice ahead of heatwave. RNLI issues safety advice ahead of heatwave | RNLI

As you can imagine, this week has been a difficult one in school with lots of changes and everyone feeling rather hot and bothered. I would like to say how well the children have handled all of this—they are a credit to you all. I would also like to extend my thanks for your support and understanding during this period. Fortunately, the forecast suggests that temperatures will be cooling down next week.

Just a reminder that next, Saturday, 4th July, is our annual Friends' Association Summer Fayre. The Friends raise vital funds that benefit our children, and they are always in need of extra helpers. Even if you can only offer an hour of your time, please do let them know.

Warmest regards and God bless,

Mrs Sophie Gibbs – Headteacher

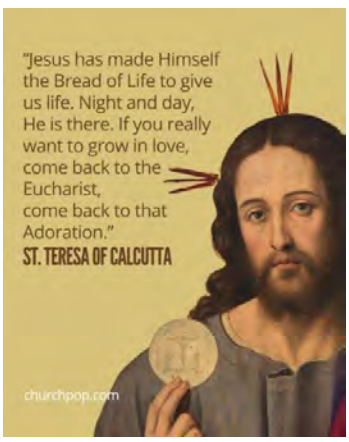
Notices

- Year 2 mini games 29/6
- Non-uniform bring a bottle (alcohol, soft drinks, bath products) 1/7
- Year 6 Trust retreat at St Teresa's 2/7
- Year 6 trip to adventure island 3/7

Catholic life of the school

Thank you so much to those who have sent in donations for the SVP. We are still collecting donations next week.





TEN TEN

Prayer and Liturgy Monthly Newsletter

Parent Newsletter – Ten Ten Resources



Our Values



DATES TO REMEMBER

Please note:

New information will be presented in red

JUNE 2026	
Monday, 29th	Year 2 - Mini Games
JULY 2026	
Wednesday, 1st	Non-uniform day – bring a bottle Reception and Year 6 Mass – 9.30am in the Church SJP science teachers visiting years 4 & 5
Thursday, 2nd	Year 6 - The Rosary Trust retreat day to St. Thomas Mores, Colchester
Friday, 3rd	Year 6 trip to Adventure Island Year 5 – Taster Day at St. John Payne
Saturday, 4th	Friends Association Summer Festival
Wednesday, 8th	Reception trip to Chelmsford Market Year 5 Mass – 9.30am in the Church
Thursday, 9th	Transition afternoon – 1.30pm – 2.45pm
Friday, 10th	Year 6 to Chelmsford Museum (am)
Monday, 13th	Year 6 Production – dress rehearsal
Tuesday, 14th	Year 6 Production – details coming soon
Wednesday, 15th	Year 6 – Colour Run (details coming soon)
Thursday, 16th	Year 6 Leavers Mass – 6pm in the Church
Friday, 17th	Crazy Hair Day LAST DAY OF TERM - SCHOOL CLOSES AT 3.15PM - NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB
Monday, 20th	INSET DAY
SEPTEMBER 2026	
Tuesday, 1st	INSET DAY
Wednesday, 2nd	INSET DAY
Thursday, 3rd	First day back at school Reception class parent teacher meetings
Friday, 4th	Reception class parent teacher meetings

HOUSE POINTS

WEEK ENDING 26th JUNE

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

BECKET	CAMPION	FISHER	MORE
2nd(555)	1st(551)	1st(522)	3rd(496)

MERIT BADGE

WEEK ENDING 26th June 2026

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

Reception	Arthur	Onyi
Year 1	Eliza	Samuel
Year 2	Serin	Ike
Year 3	Antoni	Kwabena
Year 4	Prisca	Toby
Year 5	Molly	Ronnie
Year 6	Adnan	Isabella

LEARNER OF THE WEEK

WEEK ENDING 26th June 2026

Reception	Oscar	Jack
Year 1	Indigo	Kaylyn
Year 2	Godswill	Tiggy
Year 3	Truman	Olivia
Year 4	Anna	Eloise
Year 5	Sophia	Avery
Year 6	Jeffray	Max

Congratulations



Aisling, Year 4, was thrilled to win 1st place at her Advanced Gymnastics Competition in Milton Keynes last weekend!

Year 2 Wagamama – Tuesday, 23rd June











Year 5 Food and Farming Day – Tuesday, 23rd June





First Holy Communion

Congratulations and best wishes to Angel who received the Blessed Sacrament of First Holy Communion last month.



Friends Association News

Summer festival - Saturday 4th July, 3–5pm

We urgently need more volunteers – the event can't go ahead without enough helpers. If you can spare some time, please sign up and encourage others too.

https://pta.events/festival

Tickets and wristbands for bouncy castles can also be bought via this link. Wrist bands will be £10 and include 5 tickets for games.

Online raffle tickets are now on sale online, with prizes including an iPad and much more. Tickets can be bought in advance and also on the day.

https://pta.events/6vartfqw

We're still collecting hamper and soft toy donations.

Reminder: 1st July is non-school uniform day in exchange for bringing a bottle of any drink for the tombola.

If you would like to have a stall at the festival, to sell items/promote your business then please get in touch with the friends association to discuss this. Either via the reps/year-group WhatsApp groups or via email friends@ourladyimmaculate.essex.sch.uk

We will still the usual BBQ, bar, fun and games, glitter and craft and raffle! 🤩 🎉

Father's Day gift sale

Thank you for all your support, and for all of those who helped to run the sale and give the children a good experience. We raised £474 profit from this event and hope all those receiving gifts loved them.

Fundraising so far this year:

Hopefully we can top the £10,000 mark with the Summer festival still to come.



Many thanks for your continued support

The Friends

MENU WEEK COMMENCING – 29th June – Week 1

Please refer to the menus on the website so the children are aware of the daily options so they know what to choose when asked by their teacher. Please use the online payment system to pay for all dinners (Years 3 to 6) dinners need to be paid for in advance.

Is your child eligible for this award – Free School Meals?

From September 2026, **all pupils** whose parents are in receipt of Universal Credit are entitled to Free School Meals.

If you earn less than £7,400 a year you will also be eligible for Pupil Premium.

If you think you are entitled to this, please contact the School Office.

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 % 15.06.26 – 19.06.26	This week % 22.06.26 – 26.06.26
Reception	98.3%	94.7%
Year 1	97.1%	89.6%
Year 2	94.7%	93.7%
Year 3	98.4%	91.9%
Year 4	99.4%	96.5%
Year 5	95.3%	94.4%
Year 6	95%	year 6 inductions at secondary schools – data not included
Whole School Total	96.9%	93.5%

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.

OLI SUMMER FESTIVAL

FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY!

EVERYONE WELCOME!

SATURDAY 4TH JULY

3PM – 5PM

ON THE OLI SCHOOL FIELD





















ENTRY
£1.00
STANDARD

INFLATABLES WRISTBAND
£10
INCLUDES 5 GAMES TOKENS

ADDITIONAL TOKENS
AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE
ON THE DAY!

BUY YOUR TICKETS ONLINE!
https://pta.events/festival
Get your entry tickets and inflatable wristbands online and skip the queue on the day!

GREAT FOOD · AMAZING PRIZES · GOOD TIMES · GREAT COMMUNITY