2nd October 2026

Issue 5

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 done to our Year 6 netball team. Miss Hitchen said they were excellent representatives of our school!

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our Friends Association Annual General Meeting this coming Tuesday at 7.00pm.

Our Friends Association makes a valuable contribution to our school community. In the last two years alone, they have raised enough money to purchase 33 new pupil laptops, an iPad for every class, new books for our reading scheme, and recorders for Year 3.

As the saying goes, "many hands make light work". Even if you are unable to be a committee member, but can help out occasionally, we would welcome whatever time you have to spare, as we simply could not do this without you.

It is also a fantastic way to get to know our school community, especially if you are a new parent at our school.

Warmest regards and God bless,

Mrs Sophie Gibbs – Headteacher

- **Notices**

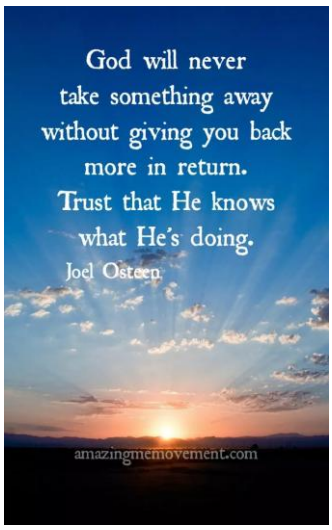
- **5/10 KS2 Tag rugby at Writtle college**
- **6/10 Individual school photos**
- **7/10 Year 3 and 4 attending mass at 9.30am**

Reminders

- **6/10 Friends Association AGM 7pm**

Catholic life of the school





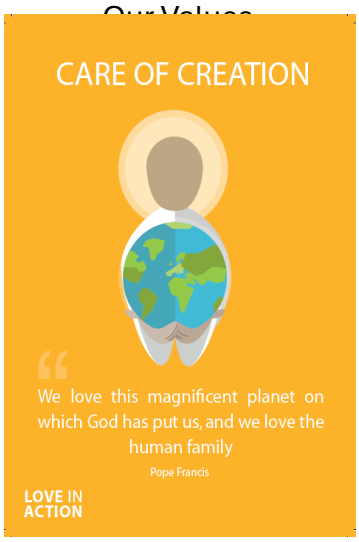
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Prayer and Liturgy Monthly Newsletter

Parent Newsletter – Ten Ten Resources



Our Values



DATES TO REMEMBER

Please note:

New information will be presented in red

OCTOBER 2026	
Monday, 5th	9.30am LKS2 tag rugby at Writtle College 1pm UKS2 tag rugby at Writtle College
Tuesday, 6th	Individual pupil photos
Wednesday, 7th	9.30am Year 3 & Year 4 mass
Tuesday, 13th	2.45pm Harvest Festival assembly Years 1 and 2 parents welcome to attend KS1 Boys and Girls football at Great Baddow High School
Wednesday, 14th	9.30am Year 2 mass
Thursday, 15th	Drama workshop for Reception, Year 1 and 2
Monday, 19th	3.30pm – 6.30pm Parents evening details to follow for all except Year 4
Tuesday, 20th	3.30pm – 6.30pm Parents evening for Year 4
Wednesday, 21st	9.30am Year 1 mass 3.30pm – 6.30pm Parents evening
Friday, 23rd	**INSET day – school closed to all pupils**

MENU WEEK COMMENCING – 5th October – Week 3

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."

HOUSE POINTS

WEEK ENDING 2nd October 2026

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

BECKET	CAMPION	FISHER	MORE
1st (54)	3rd (47)	2nd (53)	4th (40)

MERIT BADGE

WEEK ENDING 2nd th October 2026

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

Reception	Zikora	Charlie
Year 1	Sienna	Ryan
Year 2	Emma Rose	Josiah
Year 3	Olaedo	Stephen
Year 4	Kaitlyn	Jessica
Year 5	Marika	Khai
Year 6	Charlene	Hugh T-C

LEARNER OF THE WEEK

WEEK ENDING 2nd October 2026

Reception	Ela	Stella
Year 1	Elsie-Rose	Rowan
Year 2	Bjorn	Eliza
Year 3	Godswill	Tinomuda
Year 4	Neve	Cameron
Year 5	Brooke	Nahson
Year 6	Jocelyn	Jaelan

Attendance Data

94% and below	94% - 96.9%	97% and above
	Last week % 21.09.26 – 25.09.26	This week % 28.09.26 – 02.10.26
Reception		
Year 1	91.4%	96.0%
Year 2	93.8%	99.3%
Year 3	94.6%	94.7%
Year 4	94.3%	91.0%
Year 5	94.9%	98.8%
Year 6	92.6%	94.4%
Whole School Total	93.6%	95.7%

Congratulations Year 2 & Year 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.

Friends Association News

Christmas event
We're looking for families happy to have an estate agent board outside their home advertising our Christmas event. We get *money for every board*, so the more we get, the more we raise 🙌

Add your details here if you can help:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc7zNkmw-ebSp4CrwSISjuKYs-x0qRkyGHDxVwrceezt3wsuA/viewform

AGM – 6th October, 7pm, school hall*

Please do come if you can. We have lots to go through this year, including plans for upcoming events, fundraising priorities and some funding requests we're expecting from the school.

You absolutely do not need to join the committee or volunteer for everything – we'd just really like more parents to come along, hear what's happening and have a say.

And there's loads coming up this term 👀

- 🪩 Disco
- 🎅 Break the Rules Day
- 🎁 Christmas Gift Sale
- 🎄 Wreath Making
- ✨ Christmas Fun Day

