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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,

It hard to believe that we are at the end of another academic year at Our Lady Immaculate.

We have a great deal to be thankful for and I would like to take this opportunity to express my huge thanks to everyone at Our Lady Immaculate who contributes towards making this such a special school. And I mean everyone: the Governors for supporting me throughout the year, SLT whose determination and energy helps move the school forward, the teachers and the LSAs who give everything and then a little bit more, the MDAs who work so tirelessly to encourage children to eat and make sure their lunch time play is a happy one, the kitchen staff who, day after day, produce wonderful, nutritious meals for the children, the office staff who never cease to amaze me with their organisation, Mrs Murgatroyd, our Business Manager, whose knowledge of finance keeps me on the straight and narrow, the Ark staff, who provide a happy and caring environment for our children at the end of the school day, and finally to Mr Hogan, our site manager, who keeps our school looking its best. A huge thank you, also, to the Friends Association for all you do for the children, the money you raise and the events you put on. **Thank you all for your hard work and commitment to our wonderful school.**

On behalf of all the staff, I would also like to thank you for all the generous gifts and kind cards that you share with us at this time of the year - it is greatly appreciated. May I wish you all a very safe journey to and from wherever you are going in the world.

I am looking forward to seeing you all again in September.

God Bless!

Lesley Roche
Headteacher

Thought for the weekend!

HOW LUCKY I AM TO HAVE
SOMETHING THAT MAKES
SAYING GOODBYE SO HARD.



PRAYER TO END A SCHOOL YEAR

God of wisdom,

*We thank you for all the gifts you
have given us throughout this
school year.*

*We praise you for giving us life,
for saving us in Christ, and for
choosing us to be your people.*

*As we come to the end of this
school year, we voice our gratitude
for the good things you have done
in us, and we praise you for all
who have shared in the work of
this school.*

*We ask you to bless them in your
love and give them refreshment
and peace.*

*We praise you, God,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord,
who lives and reigns forever and
ever.
Amen.*

I give you the Class of 2023!

Today our Year 6s said their own personal goodbyes to each other, as they are moving onto the next stage in their lives. They will be missed greatly by everyone at Our Lady Immaculate—staff and pupils, and I would like to thank them for all they have contributed to the school over the past 7 years. I would also like to thank parents for allowing us to play a part in their children's lives.

Remember Year 6, you are more than ready for what awaits you in Year 7 and you already have everything you need to do big things.

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Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Primary School
2022 - 2023
Year 6

Good luck!

Three members of staff will be leaving Our Lady Immaculate primary at the end of the summer: Yesterday morning, we celebrated Mr Owens' retirement and today we have said a fond farewell to Mrs Baker and Mrs Wright (not Mrs Wright in the office!)

On behalf of the rest of the school, I would like to take this opportunity to wish them all the very best of luck with their new endeavours. Their impact on the school community has been great and they will be missed!

In September, we are looking forward to welcoming Mrs Gibbs (DHT and SENCO) and Mrs Scott-Evans (Year 1 teacher) to the school family.



Congratulations!



Last weekend Sienna (Yr2) performed ballet, modern and tap in the Magic Lamp Show, held at the Civic Theatre.

Both Mum and Dad were extremely proud of her, as are we!

DATES TO REMEMBER

Please note: new information will be presented in red

SEPTEMBER 2023	
Tuesday, 5th	First day of back to school
OCTOBER 2023	
Monday, 23rd - Friday, 27th	Half-Term
NOVEMBER 2023	
Friday, 3rd	Junior School Council members to visit the Houses of Parliament
Thursday, 9th - Friday, 10th	Year 6 Bikeability - course 1
Monday, 13th	INSET DAY
Monday, 20th - Tuesday, 21st	Year 6 Bikeability - course 2
DECEMBER 2023	
Wednesday, 20th	LAST DAY OF TERM (please note that there is no after school club)

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.

School Vacancies

Midday Assistant

Our Lady Immaculate School is looking to recruit a permanent Midday Assistant. The position is for a total of 1.5 hours a day on Mondays - Fridays from 12:00pm to 1:30pm, term time only. The hourly rate is: £10.79 plus holiday pay. For further information and an application form please contact Lindsey Murgatroyd – lindsey.murgatroyd@ourladyimmaculate.essex.sch.uk or 01245 353755. No previous experience required as training will be given.

Our school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our children and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. All appointments require an enhanced DBS disclosure, medical check and satisfactory references. In compliance with Safer Recruitment guidelines, CVs cannot be accepted.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Friends Association News

Thank you all for your continued support throughout the year, helping the friends raise as much money for the school as possible.

Adventure island tickets will be on sale at pick up today, at £16 each, payment (via cash or card).

During the summer holidays if you would like to purchase some tickets please email the friends email address on Friends@ourladyimmaculate.essex.sch.uk.

Thanks a million,

The Friends Association



MENU WEEK COMMENCING - 4th September – 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.**



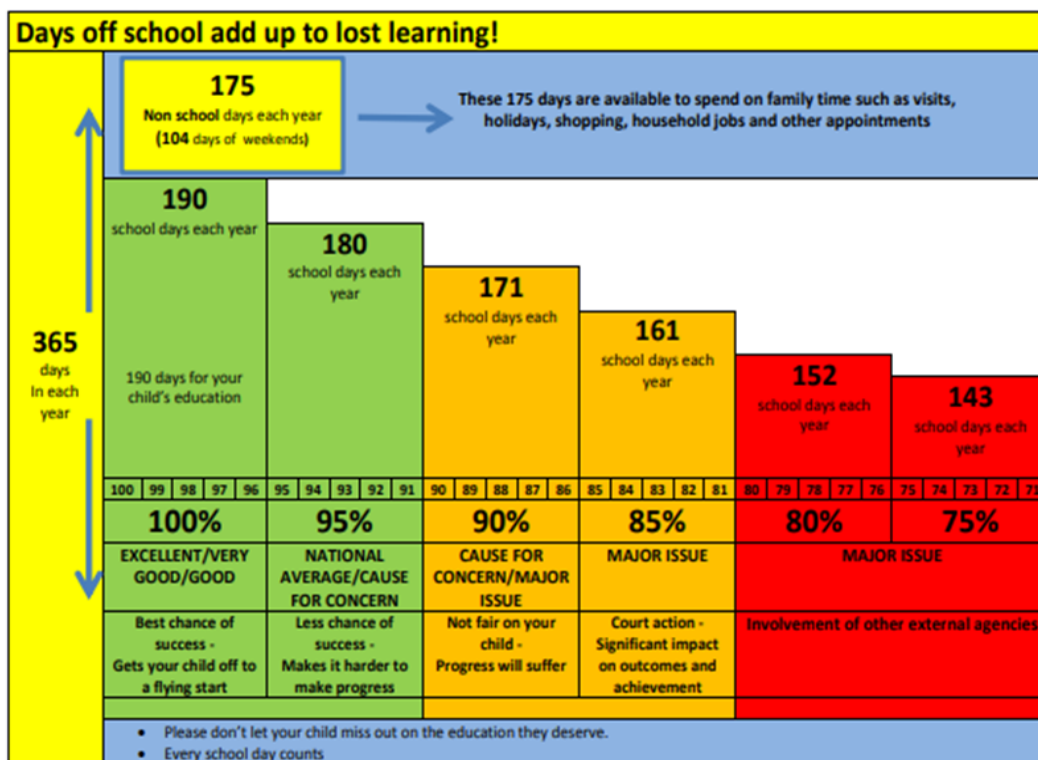
Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get). **Further information can be found on** <https://www.essex.gov.uk/free-school-meals>

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

Attendance

We know that these things are unavoidable but please do ensure that your child is in school whenever they can be. Lost learning now has a big impact on children's future learning.

Please be aware that the school is **strictly unable to sanction any holidays** taken during term time.



Attendance

Attendance Data:

94% and below

94% - 97%

97% and above

	Last week % 10.07.23 - 14.07.23	This week % 17-07-23 - 21.07.23
Foundation	100%	96%
Year 1	100%	99.7%
Year 2	98%	97.7%
Year 3	97.5%	98.1%
Year 4	97.5%	97.2%
Year 5	97.5%	96.9%
Year 6	98.1%	100%
Whole School Total	98.3%	97.9%

Congratulations to **Years 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6** 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.