

'With God all things are possible'



The Rosary Trust

# Our Lady Immaculate School News



Our Lady Immaculate  
Catholic Primary School  
A Multi-Academy

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The Holy Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

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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,

Now that we are edging towards the end of June, the summer break is well and truly in sight and as usual, we have lots to celebrate!

On Monday, our pupils represented our school admirably at the District Sports event, showcasing remarkable sportsmanship, resilience, and a commendable spirit that made us all proud.

Moreover, on Tuesday, I had the privilege of witnessing the dance club's exceptional performance on stage at the Civic Theatre. Their confidence, style, and flawless execution left me beaming with pride.

A heartfelt thank you to Miss Schultz for dedicating her time to lead this club and nurturing the children's talents, allowing them to shine brightly.

This weekend marks the final Holy Communion Mass at New Hall, and I eagerly anticipate joining the celebration alongside the families of our year 3 children, making it a truly memorable occasion.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend, whatever your plans.

Warm regards,

*Mrs Lesley Roche*

## Class Teachers 2024/2023

I am delighted to share with you the class teacher arrangements for next year.

**Foundation:** Mrs Kelly

**Year 1:** Mrs Kew

**Year 2:** Miss Hitchen

**Year 3:** Mrs Daley and Mrs Southwell

**Year 4:** Mrs Haughton (covering Miss Worth's maternity leave)

**Year 5:** Mrs Rajeev (covering Mrs Perrott's maternity leave)

**Year 6:** Miss Schultz

We are extremely lucky to have such a dedicated and talented team of teachers, whose aim is always to do their very best for the children in their care, encouraging them to reach their full potential and to excel, in a loving, caring environment with Christ at its centre.

## Well wishes!

Many of you will have noticed that Mrs Catchpole will not be teaching Year 6 next year!

Mrs Catchpole has made the difficult decision to resign from her post of Assistant Head Teacher at the end of the summer term. Her plan is to spend some precious time caring for her new granddaughter, Francesca, before she goes to nursery.

I am sure that you will join me in wishing Mrs Catchpole well. Throughout her time at Our Lady Immaculate, Mrs Catchpole has always strived for excellence, and we have been very lucky to have kept her for as long as we have!

## Thought for the weekend!

People of integrity and honesty  
not only practice what they  
preach, they are what they preach.

David A. Bednar

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## Congratulations!

Congratulations and best wishes to all the children who received the Blessed Sacrament of Holy Communion last weekend. I am looking forward to seeing them altogether at the celebration Mass at New Hall on Sunday. *Mrs Roche*



# DATES TO REMEMBER

**Please note: new information will be presented in red**

JUNE 2024	
Monday, 24th	Junior Music Festival (choir)
Tuesday, 25th	Year 5 trip to Writtle College - Food and Farming Day
Wednesday, 26th	Year 2 Mass - 9.30am Year 6 theatre trip
<b>Friday, 28th</b>	<b>Non-uniform day - bring a bottle</b>
Saturday, 29th	Friends Summer Festival
JULY 2024	
Wednesday, 3rd	Year 3 Mass - 9.30am
Tuesday, 9th	Year 6 - The Rosary Trust trip to St. Thomas More's
Wednesday, 10th	Year 1 Mass - 9.30am
Tuesday, 16th	Year 6 Leavers Performance - 6.30pm (TBC)
Wednesday, 17th	Reception Mass - 9.30am Year 6 Leavers disco - 1.30pm - 3pm (TBC)
Thursday, 18th	Leavers Mass/Prizegiving - 6.30pm in the Church (TBC)
Monday, 22nd	LAST DAY OF SUMMER TERM - SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 1.30PM Please note that there is no after school club
Tuesday, 23rd	INSET DAY
SEPTEMBER 2024	
Tuesday, 3rd	First day of Autumn Term

## **PARENT EMAIL ADDRESS**

[parents@ourladyimmaculate.essex.sch.uk](mailto: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.**

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](http://www.ourladyimmaculateprimary.org)) under 'Key Information/GDPR and Privacy



## MERIT BADGES

WEEK ENDING 21st June 2024

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

Foundation	Kiyomi	Serin Teresa
Year 1	TJ	Neve
Year 2	Rita	Kingsley
Year 3	Hugh T-C	Heavenly
Year 4	Santiago	Johan
Year 5	Rhoda	Liam
Year 6	Erin	Beatrice

## HOUSE POINTS

WEEK ENDING 21st June 2024

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

<b>BECKET</b>	<b>CAMPION</b>	<b>FISHER</b>	<b>MORE</b>
2nd (452)	3rd (400)	4th (453)	1st (415)

## LEARNER OF THE WEEK

WEEK ENDING 21st June 2024

Foundation	Aron	Isla
Year 1	Richmond	Claudia
Year 2	Joshua	Ella
Year 3	Kaleb	Mia
Year 4	Harry	Florence
Year 5	Hattie	Nell
Year 6	Kwemto	Isabella

### Safeguarding

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

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."***

Graham Fawcet



# Friends Association News

## Summer festival

<https://signup.com/go/JWkELtJ>

Please see the below link to sign up to volunteer for the summer festival. We are trying something different this year, each year group will be allocated a couple of stalls to cover. We are extremely grateful for your help to make the day successful and run smoothly.

On Friday 28th June, the day before the festival we will be asking for a bottle donation for the bottle tombola, in return for a dress down day.

Tickets for the festival and raffle go on sale next week and tickets will be available on the door.

Please make sure any grand drawer tickets are returned in advance or on the day.

We would also love any cake donations for the cake sale. If you bake your own then we need an ingredients list, and no nuts. Please bring them on Friday or Saturday before the festival.

Facebook link to the festival post

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/638225622957943/permalink/7627036564076779/>



## Hamper donations

Also, this year we would like to make up themed hampers for the raffle. We would really appreciate any donations of new items. We have assigned each class a theme and posters for suggested donations have been sent to each individual class. Your child can take these into their classroom to drop them off.

Many thanks from the friends association



# School Vacancies

## Catering Assistant

We are looking for a Catering Assistant to join our lunchtime team to work 10 hours per week, 12.00pm to 2.00pm Monday to Friday - term time only. The role includes serving meals to children, general cleaning duties (including all equipment and machines), maintaining high levels of hygiene standards and may include cooking and preparing food/salad bar. The successful candidate will be able to work as part of a team. The role is physical and demanding, but we can offer a happy environment to work in. Training will be given.

The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff to share this commitment. As such the post is subject to an enhanced Disclosure Barring check, medical clearances and satisfactory references.

Visits to our school are welcomed and further information can be obtained by contacting the Business Manager, Mrs. Lindsey Murgatroyd. Tel. 01245 353755 or by email

[lindsey.murgatroyd@ourladyimmaculate.essex.sch.uk](mailto:lindsey.murgatroyd@ourladyimmaculate.essex.sch.uk)

### SCHOOL PUPIL DETAILS

If you have moved or if any of your details have changed, please can you inform the Office so we can update your child's records.



### SQUIRRELS - PACKED LUNCH BOXES

Squirrels are trying to get into the lunch boxes so please ensure your child's lunch is sent into school in a secure lunch box.



### MENU WEEK COMMENCING - 24th June – 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>

## Attendance

Attendance Data:

**94% and below**

**94% - 97%**

**97% and above**

	Last week % 10.06.24 - 14.06.24	This week % 17.06.24 - 21.06.24
Foundation	99%	96.7%
Year 1	98.3%	97.8%
Year 2	98.7%	96.9%
Year 3	97.1%	94.8%
Year 4	93.1%	95.2%
Year 5	98.5%	97.4%
Year 6	97.4%	98.5%
<b>Whole School Total</b>	<b>97.4%</b>	<b>96.7%</b>

Congratulations to years 1, 5 & 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.

### 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.

