

'With God all things are possible'



Our Lady Immaculate School News



Our Lady Immaculate
Catholic Primary School
A Multi-Academy

28th June 2024

The Holy Month of the Precious Blood of Jesus

Issue 35

THE SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS ARE 7:30 AM. UNTIL 4:00 PM. MONDAY—FRIDAY
Tel: 01245 353755

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well as we approach the end of another exciting week at Our Lady Immaculate Primary School. Despite the quieter atmosphere due to our Year 6 students attending induction days at their new schools, we've had a wealth of enriching experiences for our pupils. This transition period for our Year 6 pupils is a crucial step in their educational journey. These induction days are designed to ensure that our children leave Our Lady Immaculate Primary well-prepared and confident for the next chapter in their academic lives. We're proud of how they've embraced this opportunity and know they will continue to shine in their new environments.

Our school choir had a remarkable opportunity on Monday to participate in the Junior Music Festival at the Civic Theatre. Performing in front of a live audience is no small feat, and I'm delighted to report that our children rose to the challenge magnificently. They sang with passion and enthusiasm, truly embodying the spirit of Our Lady Immaculate. Their performance was a testament to their hard work and dedication, and they represented our school brilliantly.

Tuesday saw our Year 5 pupils embark on an educational adventure to Writtle College for the Essex 'Farm to Fork' day. This initiative aims to broaden our children's understanding of the food chain and the vital role Essex farmers play in it. Beyond the classroom walls, our pupils gained valuable insights into countryside and environmental issues. These hands-on experiences are invaluable in nurturing a well-rounded understanding of the world around us.

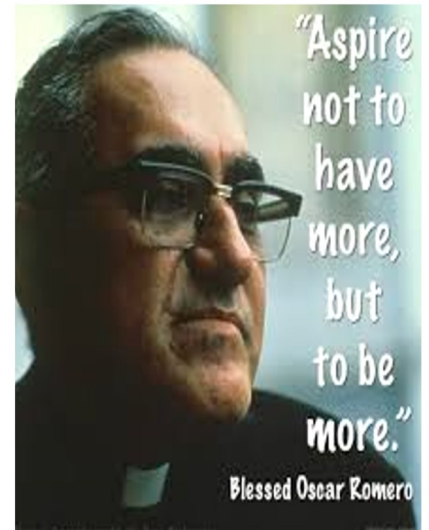
Midweek brought another exciting outing as I had the pleasure of accompanying our Year 6 pupils to London for a performance of the musical 'Matilda'. It was a joy to witness our children's wonder and excitement as they immersed themselves in the world of theatre. Once again, they proved to be excellent ambassadors for our school, demonstrating exemplary behaviour throughout the trip.

These diverse experiences - from music and theatre to environmental education - showcase the rich tapestry of learning opportunities we strive to provide at Our Lady Immaculate. They reflect our commitment to nurturing not just academic excellence, but also creativity, environmental awareness, and cultural appreciation in our pupils.

Warm regards,

Lesley Roche
Headteacher

Thought for the weekend!



Summer Festival!

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at the Friends' Summer Festival this Saturday. It promises to be a wonderful community event, filled with fun and laughter.



Chelmsford's Gotta Dance!



DATES TO REMEMBER

Please note: new information will be presented in red

JUNE 2024	
Saturday, 29th	Friends Summer Festival - 4pm - 7pm
JULY 2024	
Wednesday, 3rd	Year 3 Mass - 9.30am Science Day - Royal Institute Energy Live
Thursday, 4th	Year 5 St. John Payne taster day
Tuesday, 9th	Year 6 - The Rosary Trust trip to St. Thomas More's
Wednesday, 10th	Year 1 Mass - 9.30am Transition afternoon - 1.45pm - 2.45pm
Tuesday, 16th	Year 6 Leavers Performance - 6.30pm
Wednesday, 17th	Reception Mass - 9.30am Year 6 Leavers disco - 1.30pm - 3pm
Thursday, 18th	Leavers Mass/Prizegiving - 6.30pm in the Church
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 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.

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MERIT BADGES

WEEK ENDING 28th June 2024

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

Foundation	Olivia	Kezia
Year 1	Kaitlyn	Alexa
Year 2	Fabian	Emily
Year 3	Jocelyn	Leo
Year 4	Charlie	Joselyn
Year 5	David A-H	Chimdike
Year 6	Millie	Luke

HOUSE POINTS

WEEK ENDING 28th June 2024

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

BECKET	CAMPION	FISHER	MORE
2nd (465)	3rd (412)	1st (473)	2nd (428)

LEARNER OF THE WEEK

WEEK ENDING 28th June 2024

Foundation	Salvin	Evie
Year 1	Enzo	Angel
Year 2	Alexander	Zuzanna
Year 3	Ronnie	Mia
Year 4	Julian	Keva
Year 5	Cillian	Akosua
Year 6	Caius	Ben

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

We are really looking forward to seeing you, your family & friends at the festival on Saturday from 4-7pm! We have a DJ, bar, BBQ, games, inflatables, glitter, raffles & more!

We are still in need of the following if you are able to drop off we will be on the school field setting up from midday.

Sweet donations *NO NUTS*

Cakes & ingredients *NO NUTS*

Entry tickets can be bought on the day, as can raffle and grand drawer tickets.

As we are trying to be more eco friendly and limit the use of single use plastic we encourage you to bring your own reusable plastic cup for drinks *NO GLASS*. We will be selling reusable cups at the bar.

Thanks a million,

The Friends Association



Friends Association Presents
On Saturday 29th June 2024
4pm-7pm

Summer festival

Our Lady Immaculate

122 New London Road, Chelmsford, Essex

Outdoor Disco Bouncy Slide BBQ Bar
Glitter Hair Glitter Face Paint Raffle
Grand Prize Draw Tombolas Ice Cream
Fidgets Inflatables Hook The Duck
Ping Pong Pringle Festival Nails Cake
Wheel Of Fortune Stocks Tea & Coffee
Sweets Football Chip Tin Can Alley

*Adult Entry £1 * Child Entry 50p*
Inflatable Wristband £3

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

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 - 1st July – Week 2

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>

Family First Magazine

Please read the link for the Family First magazine <https://familyfirst.co.uk/issue3-24>

Attendance

Attendance Data:

94% and below

94% - 97%

97% and above

	Last week % 17.06.24 - 21.06.24	This week % 24.06.24 - 28.06.24
Foundation	96.7%	94%
Year 1	97.8%	98%
Year 2	96.9%	97.3%
Year 3	94.8%	97.1%
Year 4	95.2%	98.8%
Year 5	97.4%	93%
Year 6	98.5%	97.4%
Whole School Total	96.7%	96.5%

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.