

Newsletter

Weekly Message from Mrs Clayton

“Joy is not just for one person, it is for sharing with others.” - Pope Francis,

The words of Pope Francis have been ever present in the school this week as our children have spread such joy within our school family and the wider community. Year 2 were exemplary in their behaviour during their visit to Southend on Wednesday. They were excited to take the train and spend the day on the beach, looking at the geographical features they had been learning about during the past term. The highlight of the week was the Harvest Festival performance yesterday and the joy on the children's faces as they sang and gave thanks to God for the food collected was a delight to see. Our new Reception children have settled in so well and this was evident in how well they behaved yesterday.

I wanted to thank you personally for your continuing support of our school. The large number of parents yesterday was fantastic to see. Your generosity for others was clearly evident in the abundance of food donated. I am proud of the diversity of our school but I am also strengthened daily by the common purpose we all share: To live out the Gospel Values and teach our children the importance of love, compassion, forgiveness, and service to others.

I wish you and your families a happy half term.



Love
Learn
Pray



Special prayers from our children

Dear God,


I pray for Jesus

Amen

(Serena - Kingfishers Class)

Lunch menu next week

Menu Week 1				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
CHOICE 1	CHOICE 1	CHOICE 1	CHOICE 1	CHOICE 1
Cheese and Tomato Pizza Sweetcorn & Carrot Sultana Salad	Beef Bolognese Steamed Broccoli	Roast Gammon Roast Potatoes Gravy Steamed Carrots	Sausage Roll Potato Wedges Mixed Salad	Fish Fillet Chips Steamed Peas
CHOICE 2	CHOICE 2	CHOICE 2	CHOICE 2	CHOICE 2
Jacket Potato with choice of filling: tuna mayonnaise, cheese, baked beans	Veggie Mince Bolognese Steamed Broccoli	Vegetable Parcels Roast Potatoes Gravy Steamed Carrots	Vegetarian Sausage Roll Potato Wedges Mixed Salad	Quorn Vegan Dippers Chips Steamed Peas
DESSERT	DESSERT	DESSERT	DESSERT	DESSERT
Blueberry Muffins	Fresh Fruit	Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit	Ice Cream

 • If children are unable to have any of the above due to allergies/intolerances there will be an alternative available – please see the office if you have any concerns regarding allergies.



@stannelineinfantnursery



@stanneline_infant_nursery

Attendance

The school weekly attendance was 96.3%. The highest class attendance this week goes to the Wrens class with 99.4%.

School App



Please make sure you have the school app on your phone to receive notifications. If you require any assistance please contact the school office.



Studybugs

You can report your child's absence on Studybugs at any time.

Headteacher's Award



Jamal won the Headteacher's Award for giving up his train seat to an adult on the Year 2 trip to Southend this week. Well done Jamal.

Please see **NEW MENU** on page 1 of Newsletter

Artists of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who were awarded Artist of the Week this week:

Akosua - Herons

Fantastic planning, thinking about your work and learning colours.

Alby - Herons

Brilliant colouring in of your colour wheels.

Aurelia - Owls

Fantastic attitude, effort and teamwork. Great oil pastel work.

October Sports Challenge

The October Sports Challenge is to walk 5K. This can be done on one day or over a few days. If you take part please let Mrs Davis know by 1st November (with your child's name and class).

Important Message from Infant & Junior Schools - PARKING AROUND SCHOOL

We have been contacted by local residents informing the school of inconsiderate and illegal parking, as well as rudeness from parents towards residents. This will not be tolerated. We are a Catholic School and our faith does not allow for unkindness to others, no matter what the situation. We have endlessly asked parents to park in the Church carpark, which is free from aggravation, safer for our children to then walk to school, and does not involve illegal and inconsiderate parking around the streets of our local community.



Gold Leaf Awards



Matthew (Owls) – Love

Tito (Wrens) – Love

Logan (Kingfishers) – Learn

Nita (Hérons) – Learn

Rayan (Sparrows) – Learn

Chiagozie (Robins) – Love

Dates for the Diary

Please check the list of dates in this newsletter for any additional dates/changes highlighted in bold. These dates are also on the school website calendar.

After School Activity Clubs

After School Activity Clubs are now available to book on ParentPay.

Reception

Please ensure your child brings a waterproof coat to school. Please see a message on Tapestry [Hello From Around The World](#). Click on the Tapestry link if you have not already done so. Please also check on Tapestry and the school website calendar for any latest information and dates. PE days are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. No earrings on these days please. If children are wearing earrings they will not be allowed to participate.

We need boxes for junk modelling, you can bring them in to the school. We are in desperate need of spare jogging bottoms and underwear please.

Nursery - Wagtails & Ducklings

Nursery parents are expected to walk around with their child in the morning and wait until the nursery door opens at **08:30**.

Please look on Tapestry for up to date information. Please check the school website calendar for dates. **Donations of knickers and socks would be much appreciated. We also need boxes of tissues and old newspapers.** If you have any spare please bring in to the nursery. Nursery places will be available from January for all nursery classes, 2-4 years. Application forms are in the school office.

Cygnets Nursery

A reminder, we would love to receive a family photo (for school to keep – we can photocopy if you prefer). Please also ensure your child brings a coat with a hood to school.



Missing Book Bag Books

Could you please have an extra good look at home over half term for book bag books. We are missing some for the next lot of groups and each book to reorder is £4.75. Thank you for your continued support.

Harvest Festival

A big thank you to you all for your kind donations to the Basildon Community Resource Centre. The centre volunteers were delighted when they came along to collect all the items. An extra big thank you to RJO Medical for their very large donation.





St. Anne Line Catholic Infant School & Nursery

16th October 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

Consultation to Convert to Academy Status

You may be aware that the Government is encouraging schools to consider converting to Academy status. This is also the directive from the Bishop. It is his will that all Catholic schools within Brentwood Diocese join together with their closest Deanery Schools to form a Catholic Multi Academy Trust. This is to safeguard the future of Catholic education for generations to come and continue to prepare young people for their life as Christians in the community.

After careful consideration, the School's Governing Body has decided that they wish to explore conversion to Academy status and join Christus Catholic Trust with:

Holy Cross Catholic Primary School, Thurrock
St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Thurrock
St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Thurrock
St Peter's Catholic Primary School, Essex
St Teresa's Catholic Primary School, Essex
St Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Primary School, Thurrock

We are writing to consult with staff and parents to determine whether the School should proceed with conversion and we would like to invite your views on the matter.

What is an Academy?

Academies are publicly funded state schools that are independent of the Local Authority and receive funding directly from Central Government.

Why is this being considered?

The schools of Christus Catholic Trust are unique and united in partnership and service to their communities. Their vision is that this family of schools will be

- Uncompromising in their **ambition** to use the power of **collaboration** to ensure our pupils receive an **excellent** Catholic education.
- Have a strong culture of safeguarding in an environment where good mental health and wellbeing are nurtured.
- Have an **inclusive** approach to a high quality, **innovative**, contextualised education.
- Have high **aspirations** for all our pupils to achieve the best possible outcomes.

What are the advantages of conversion?

The Government is clear that the greater freedoms enjoyed by Academies are designed to allow schools to develop and to build on individual strengths in response to the needs of the community. We feel that the additional freedoms and flexibilities would enable the Governors to better secure the long term future of our School.

In addition to this we believe that the formal partnership with Christus Catholic Trust will have a number of benefits. This includes a more targeted approach to the long term future of Catholic schools, strengthening our vision, pooling of resources which will improve teaching and management practice within the schools as well as a greater control of our finances and better management of these for the benefit of children attending the schools.

What are the disadvantages of conversion?

Greater freedoms do bring additional responsibilities including statutory duties as an academy trust company, but the School is confident it can manage these.

Will any changes to the School be made as a result of conversion?

It is unlikely that there will be any immediate major changes. The schools in the Trust will continue to function as individual schools serving our community. There are no proposals to change the name of the School, nor to change uniforms, admission arrangements or the general management and planning of the school day for our children and students. We hope and intend that present staff will remain with us and continue to serve the School as they do at present. Please be assured that the unique character, ethos and values of the School would remain unchanged should academy conversion take place.

How to take part in the consultation process

At this stage we are not committing the School to conversion to Academy status. We are consulting with everyone associated with our School before Governors meet again to make a final decision.

There will be an open meeting for you to come and raise any queries you may have or make comments about this on the 13th of November at 4.30pm in the school hall. If you are unable to make this meeting but would like to ask any questions or make any comments please email office@salinf.org by 3pm on Friday the 10th November.

The consultation will close on Monday the 20th November at 3pm. The Governors will meet after this date to consider how to proceed.

Yours sincerely,

Sarah Starting

Melanie Clayton

Chair of Governors

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Essex Year of Numbers

Essex Year of Numbers is a countywide campaign that aims to inspire a love of learning, with a focus on numeracy. It is a year of exciting learning opportunities, fun events and initiatives aimed at children aged 0 to 18-years-old. The events aim to give every child's maths skills a magic boost.

Events at Basildon or Laindon Libraries:

To check location, dates and times and make bookings visit the Essex Libraries website or ask staff in the library.

<https://library-events.essex.gov.uk/>

Lab in the library: fun with numbers

Lab in the library gives children aged 4 to 10-years-old the opportunity to use numbers in science sessions to solve puzzles and riddles. [Book a Lab in the library session](#) at Greenstead, Laindon, Walton and Witham Library from Monday 23 October to Saturday 28 October 2023.

Junior Chess Club from age 6

Meet and play with other chess players. All levels of ability welcome, from 6 to 16 years old. Chess boards are provided. Children are welcome to sit and play. Parental supervision is required.

Lego in the Library

If you're a parent or carer with a child aged 6-11 who loves LEGO®, why not sign up for our free LEGO® in Libraries sessions? Your child will get the chance to improve their maths and English skills, while having fun playing with relatable LEGO® characters!

Also available:

The [National Numeracy Family Maths Toolkit](#) is full of ideas and free activities to help families enjoy maths together.

You can now access all our resources for free. It only takes a minute to sign up.

The Lord Lieutenant Competition

The Lord Lieutenant has launched a [competition](https://www.essex.gov.uk/news/2023/lord-lieutenant-competition-has-launched-across-schools-essex) to kick-off the Essex Year of Numbers. We're inviting children and young people to create a 2D/3D display (maximum size 1m² or 1m³), with a short video presentation creatively showing the many ways numbers are used in everyday life. Entries can include number patterns, diagrams, calculations, explanations, photographs and models. The competition offers students the chance to think creatively about maths and its everyday use.

<https://www.essex.gov.uk/news/2023/lord-lieutenant-competition-has-launched-across-schools-essex>

Children's Events (During Half Term for Primary Schools)

Pop along to Essex Libraries for some half term time. Meet author Kate Read and enjoy a reading of her book, One Fox, followed by a fun counting and art activity. Or, enjoy an introduction to Black History Month, a reading of "Malik's Bridge", and a workshop where you'll design and build your own bridge. Events are for all children aged 3 to 10.



St Anne Line Catholic Infant School & Nursery

**DATES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR
FOR
2023/2024**

Whilst every care has been taken at this stage in organising dates, to enable parents to plan events, they are subject to amendment if circumstances change.

AUTUMN TERM 2023

DATE	EVENT	YEAR
05 Sep	Children return to school	Yr 1 & Yr 2
23 Sep	Big Help Out (10am-12pm)	Whole school
26 Sep	Meet The Teacher (8:45am)	Yr 2
27 Sep	Meet The Teacher (8:45am)	Yr 1
03 Oct	Flu Immunisations	Reception/Yr 1/Yr 2
03 Oct	PTA Meeting (8:45am-9:45am)	Parents
04 Oct	Photographer (Individual photos)	Whole school
04 Oct	Langdon Hills Nature Reserve Visit	Yr 1
05 Oct	Phonics Workshop (9am)	Reception
10 Oct	Maths Workshop (8:45am-10:15am)	Reception/Yr 1/Yr 2
16 Oct	Film Night (3pm-4:45pm)	Reception/Yr 1/Yr 2
18 Oct	School Open Day 9am	New parents
18 Oct	Year 2 Visit to Southend	Yr 2
19 Oct	Harvest Festival (8:45am)	Reception/Yr 1/Yr 2
20 Oct	Father's Forum (8:45am-9:45am)	Parents
20 Oct	Used Uniform Sale (2:45pm-3:15pm)	Whole school
23-27 Oct	HALF TERM	Whole school
30 Oct	Children return to School	Whole school
30 Oct	Videographer	Whole school
06 Nov	School Admissions Applications Start Reception/Yr 3 (until 5 January 2024)	Nursery/Yr 2 Parents
08 Nov	Stay and Pray (8:45am)	Yr 2
08 Nov	KS1 Parents Evening (1pm-7pm)	Yr 1 & Yr 2
22 Nov	Stay and Pray (8:45am)	Yr 1
23 Nov	Breakfast Morning (8:30am-9:30am)	Whole school
24 Nov	Used Uniform Sale (2:45pm-3:15pm)	Whole school
28 Nov	Cinderella Pantomime (Towngate) 1:30pm	Reception/Yr 1/Yr 2
29 Nov	Cinderella Pantomime (Towngate) 1:30pm	Reception Yr 1/Yr 2
29 Nov	School Open Day 9am	New parents
08 Dec	International Christmas Fayre (2pm-6pm)	Whole school
13 Dec	Christmas Singing (Eastgate Centre)	Yr 2

14 Dec	Christmas Nativity (AM & PM) EYFS	Nursery & Reception
15 Dec	Used Uniform Sale (2:45pm-3:15pm)	Whole school
18 Dec	Christmas Nativity (PM) KS1	Yr 1 & Yr 2
19 Dec	Christmas Nativity (AM) KS1	Yr 1 & Yr 2
20 Dec	Christmas Dinner	Whole school
21 Dec–3 Jan	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS	Whole school

SPRING TERM 2024

DATE	EVENT	YEAR
04 & 05 Jan	Non Pupil Days	Whole school
08 Jan	Children return to school	Whole school
26 Jan	Used Uniform Sale (2:45pm-3:15pm)	Whole school
06 Feb	PTA Meeting (8:45am-9:45am)	Parents
13 Feb	Pancake Race (2:30pm)	Whole school
16 Feb	Father's Forum (8:45am-9:45am)	Parents
16 Feb	Used Uniform Sale (2:45pm-3:15pm)	Whole school
19-23 Feb	HALF TERM	Whole school
26 Feb	Children return to school	Whole school
28 Feb	Breakfast Morning (8:30am-9:30am)	Whole school
06 Mar	Stay and Pray (8:45am)	Yr 2
13 Mar	Cross Country	Whole school
20 Mar	Stay and Pray (8:45am)	Yr 1
22 Mar	Used Uniform Sale (2:45pm-3:15pm)	Whole school
25 Mar	Easter Passion Play Yr 2 (2pm)	Yr 2
26 Mar	Hot Cross Bun Run	Selected children
27 Mar	Parents Evening (1pm-7pm)	Yr 1 & Yr 2
29 Mar-12 Apr	EASTER HOLIDAYS	Whole school

SUMMER TERM 2024

DATE	EVENT	YEAR
15 Apr	Children return to school	Whole school
26 Apr	Used Uniform Sale (2:45pm-3:15pm)	Whole school
06 May	BANK HOLIDAY	Whole school

08 May	Stay and Pray (8:45am)	Yr 2
14 May	PTA Meeting (8:45am-9:45am)	Parents
24 May	Father's Forum (8:45am-9:45am)	Parents
24 May	Used Uniform Sale (2:45pm-3:15pm)	Whole school
27-31 May	HALF TERM	Whole school
03 Jun	Children return to school	Whole school
05 Jun	Mini Olympics	Selected children
05 Jun	Breakfast Morning (8:30am-9:30am)	
12 Jun	Stay and Pray (8:45am)	Reception
28 Jun	Used Uniform Sale (2:45pm-3:15pm)	Whole school
05 Jul	Family Beach Day	Whole school
05 Jul	Used Uniform Sale (2:45pm-3:15pm)	Whole school
10 Jul	Sports Day (Junior School Field – AM)	Reception/Yr 1 & Yr 2
10 July	Display Evening	Whole school
12 Jul	Family BBQ Celebration (3pm-5:30pm)	Whole school
18 Jul	Leaver's Mass (11am)	Yr 2
19 Jul	Leaver's Assembly & Lunch	Yr 2
19 Jul	Last Day of Term	Whole school
22 & 23 Jul	Non pupil days	Whole school
24 Jul–30 Aug	SUMMER HOLIDAYS	Whole school

EVERY WEDNESDAY AFTER SCHOOL!



DANCE, SINGING, TECHNIQUE,
ARTS AND CRAFTS, DRAMA
AND ROLEPLAY AND A WHOLE
LOT OF FUN!

HIDDEN TALENTS

KIDS CLUB!

HIDDEN TALENTS AFTER
SCHOOL CLUB, @ ST ANNE
LINE INFANT SCHOOL

3.00-4.00PM

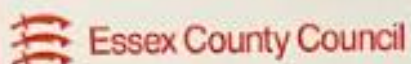
TO BOOK PLEASE SEE THE
OFFICE STAFF.

DON'T FORGET SATURDAY MORNINGS, 9,30AM -
12.30. AGES 3 - 11 @ ST ANNE LINE INFANT
SCHOOL, PAY AS YOU GO!



Essex County Council Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)

The new [Essex Local Offer](#) provides information on the help available to children and young people (aged 0 to 25) with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND).



Sometimes, talking to people who share similar experiences to yours means you're more likely to feel understood and get the support you need.

Autism central is here to help!

The Autism Central Peer Education Programme is for parents, carers and Personal Assistants of autistic people.

Support is provided by parents and carers of autistic people who are happy to share their knowledge and experience with others.

- We are here to listen, offer guidance and tell you about services that are available in your local area
- Navigate you to services that can make a difference and empower you
- Increase your knowledge, understanding and provide you with skills to last

Request for support



Essex Local Offer Roadshows

Are you the parent/carer or family member of a child with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)? Do you have questions about accessing support in your area or questions about SEND support available in Essex through Health, Education and Social Care? Would you like to link up with other parents in your area?

If you do, please come along and see us at the Roadshow. There will be representatives from Essex Family Forum, SENDIASS, health, social care as well as representatives from the education teams, SEND Navigation Leads and local support groups. The roadshow is a drop-in event with no need to book.

This term we will be at:

North Essex: The Waterfront, Harwich on Tuesday 17th October from 9:00am to 12:30pm

Mid Essex: Witham Public Hall, Witham on Wednesday 18th October from 9:00am to 12:30pm

West Essex: Budworth Hall, Ongar on Wednesday 1st November from 9:00am to 12:30pm

South Essex: Ingatestone Community Centre, Ingatestone on Thursday 2nd November from 9:00am to 12:30pm

Please go to the Essex Local Offer to find out addresses and more (QR and link below).

In Partnership with



SCAN ME

<https://send.essex.gov.uk/i-think-my-child-needs-help/essex-local-offer-roadshows>



SEND Drop In Session

An opportunity to speak to our Additional Needs Early Intervention Team to get advice and support - no diagnosis is required.
Suitable for families* and professionals

Northlands Park
Family Hub -
Davenants, Basildon,
SS13 1QX
1st and 3rd Tuesday of
each month
3pm to 4.30pm

Fryerns Delivery Site -
Greenshoots Building
Churchill Avenue,
Basildon SS14 2EQ
1st Thursday of
each month
9.30am to 10.30am

All About Delivery
Site- James Hornsby
High School, Leinster
Road,
Laindon SS15 5NX
3rd Tuesday of each
month 10am to 11am

Sunnyside Delivery
site - Rosebay Avenue,
Billericay CM12 0GH
2nd Thursday of each
month 9.30am to 11am

Highcliffe Delivery Site
- Rettendon View,
Wickford, SS11 8JE
2nd and 4th Tuesday of
each month
10am to 11am

Little Lions Family Hub - Northwick Park Academy, Third Avenue,
Canvey Island SS8 9SU
4th Monday of each month 1.30pm to 2.30pm

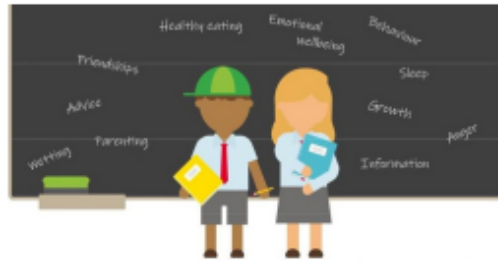
Wishing Well Delivery Site - Waterman Primary School, The Boulevard,
Rochford SS4 1QF
3rd Thursday of each month 11am to 12pm

*Children do not have to accompany parents/carers to drop in

No Booking Required

Essex Child and Family Wellbeing Service

Service commissioned by:



School Aged Healthy Family Drop in

An opportunity to get confidential advice and support if you have concerns about your child's health.

No appointment is necessary - please just pop in.

Larchwood Gardens Family Hub
Larchwood Gardens
Brentwood
CM15 9NG

**3rd Wednesday
of every month
15:30- 16:30**

Sunnyside Family Hub Delivery Site
Rosebay Avenue
Billericay
CM12 0GH

**3rd Tuesday
of every month
15:00- 16:30**

Northlands Park Family Hub
Davenants
Basildon
SS13 1QX

**1st and 3rd Monday
of every month
15:30-16:30**

All About Centre Family Hub
Delivery Site
Lenister Road
Laindon
SS155NX

**2nd and 4th Tuesday
of every month
15:30-16:30**

For further information please call **0300 247 0013**

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