

Newsletter

Weekly Message from Mrs Clayton

Dear Parents/Carers,

I wanted to thank you for your kind donations of flowers for our May Crowning yesterday.

The May Crowning serves as a way to honour Mary's role as the Mother of God and to seek her intercession in prayers for peace, protection, and guidance. May Crowning is a cherished tradition in the Catholic Church where we honour the Virgin Mary by placing a crown of flowers on her statue.

It was such a special event and the children will visit the grotto each day in May to say a decade of the rosary.

The children honoured Mary with reverence and we were all so moved by the prayers and singing at the grotto.

I hope you all have a good long weekend.

REMINDER – BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 5th MAY

A reminder that school and nursery are closed next Monday 5th of May (Bank Holiday).

IMPORTANT – PARKING NEAR SCHOOL

Please be considerate to our neighbours and park in the Church car park when dropping/collecting your children. Can we please ask you to be extra vigilant when driving and parking and be mindful of small children. Thank you for your support.

IMPORTANT – USE OF MOBILE PHONES

Could we please ask parents/carers to meet their children with a smile, not a mobile. Also due to safeguarding of our children, please do not use mobile phones (also for voice notes) after entering the school/nursery gates. Many thanks for your support.



A Prayer from our children

Thank God for the toys and food

God Bless

Amen

(Tiara - Cygnets)



Love

Learn

Pray



Lunch Menu

Menu Week 1 6.5.25-9.5.25				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
School Closed Bank Holiday	CHOICE 1 Tomato pasta bake (with or without cheese) Garlic Bread Steamed broccoli	CHOICE 1 All day breakfast Butcher's pork chipolatas Hash brown Free range omelette Baked beans	VE Day 80th Anniversary Picnic	CHOICE 1 Fish fingers Chips Steamed peas
	CHOICE 2 Jacket potato with a choice of filling	CHOICE 2 All day vegetarian breakfast Vegetarian sausages Hash brown Free range omelette Baked beans		CHOICE 2 Cheese & vegetable quesadilla Chips Steamed peas
	DESSERT Fresh fruit	DESSERT Jelly		DESSERT Ice cream tub

• 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.



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Attendance

The school weekly attendance (ending Friday 25.4.25) was 95.8%. The **Herons class** won the attendance prize with 99.2% attendance. Well done. This week's attendance will appear in next week's newsletter.

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.

Phonics Screening Information Meeting – Year 1

Thank you for attending the Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Meeting this Wednesday. If you were not able to attend, the office has some copies of the slides used if you wish to take a look.

Here are some of the links that were provided in the meeting to support your child's learning:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/phonics-screening-check-2024-materials>

<https://www.ruthmiskin.com> (click on the 'families' link on the top right of the home page)

Stay and Pray - Year 2 Wednesday 7th May

Year 2 parents and carers are invited to the Year 2 Stay and Pray in the school hall on Wednesday 7th May at 8:45am.

MMR Immunisation Walk In's

Further to our recent message about Measles circulating in Basildon. Please note the following dates and venues when any children who have not been vaccinated can be taken along for MMR immunisations on a 'walk in' basis.

Wednesday 7 May 2025 - Northlands Family Hub, Davenants, Pitsea, SS13 1QX
10-15:45pm

Thursday 15 May 2025 - Northlands Family Hub 9-11:45am

Monday 19 May 2025 - All About Family Hub (next to James Hornsby School), SS15 5NX 10-15:45pm

House Points

The children have been working hard to receive House Points.

St John Paul II	St Bernadette
2,361	2,092
St Alphonsa	St Martin de Porres
2,130	2,077

IMPORTANT

Please ensure any grapes/cherry tomatoes in lunchboxes are cut up into quarters.

NHS Guidelines – if your child is unwell

A reminder, if you are unsure as to whether to bring your child to school if they are unwell, please check the NHS Guidelines in the following link:

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

Donations of boxes of tissues would be much appreciated.

Update – VE Day 80th Anniversary – Thursday 8th May

As previously advised, next Thursday, we will be marking the 80th anniversary of VE Day. A reminder that the children are also invited to dress in red, white and blue. The children will enjoy a picnic lunch on the playground (weather permitting) and we are asking for your kind help with donations as follows:

Owls class - crisps

Wrens class - mini sausages/sausage rolls

Kingfishers class - cakes/biscuits

Hérons class - paper cups

Sparrows class - paper plates

Robins class - paper bowls

Due to the fact that we have some children with food allergies, please could we ask that all food items are shop wrapped/ingredients labelled. Nursery children will need to bring their packed lunches as usual. Many thanks for your support.

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.

Wagtails & Ducklings – Nursery

Please send your child in with a named hat (to stay in nursery) and also please apply sunscreen before coming to nursery. Parents please return completed funding forms for this term by next week. Thank you.



Cygnets – Nursery

Please send your child in with a named hat (to stay in nursery) and also please apply sunscreen before coming to nursery. Parents please return completed funding forms for this term by next week. Thank you.



Crowning of Mary – Thursday 1st May



Year 1

Year 1 have enjoyed looking closely at the structure of different plants in their science lessons this week.

We will be learning to identify and name common wild and garden plants.

Home Learning: To support your child with their science, look for and name plants you see on the way to school, in the park or in your garden.



Sun Awareness Week Starting Monday 12th May

To mark the start of Sun Awareness Week and the importance of keeping safe in the sun, the children will be creating sun safety posters. These posters will be shared with families across the south of Essex on the Essex Child and Family Wellbeing Service Facebook page on Friday 16th of May.

Mrs Davis's Weekly Sports Challenge

Can you walk across the room with a book balanced on your head? Email your photos to office@salinf.org

Mr Fox's School Library - Family Library Time Sessions Timetable:

8am - 8:25am (please arrive no later than 8:20am)



The school library is open to all year groups from Monday to Friday

On your arrival at school please go to the outside library door (between the year 2 classes).

Mr Fox's School Library – Family Library Sessions

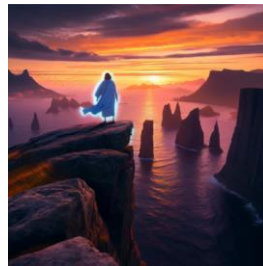
It's been wonderful to see so many of our families attending the open library mornings to spend some quality time together enjoying books. If your child attends 10 times and has their reading record signed by Mrs Kapustka, they will receive a reading certificate which will be given to them in our weekly Celebration Assembly.

Library Certificates

Well done to Milosz (Sparrows) and Ruby (Robins). They have both attended our early morning library sessions 10 times and had their reading record signed by Mrs Kapustka. They both received a reading certificate.



Religious Education (RED)



This half-term, the theme for our Religious Education Curriculum Branch is To the Ends of the Earth.

Reception

In this branch for Reception, children will look at the events that flowed from the Resurrection and Ascension in the coming of the Holy Spirit. They will hear a simple version of the Pentecost and learn that the Holy Spirit is our friend who looks after us. They will also learn about our parish church.

Year 1

The focus of this branch 5 for Year 1 is for children to hear the story of the Road to Emmaus, the Ascension, and the story of Pentecost. They will complete an age-appropriate narrative cycle of the life, death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ and encounter the inspiration of the Holy Spirit in the lives of the Apostles and then the early Church. 'Go, therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit' (Mt 28:19)

Year 2

The theme for this term is Ascension, Pentecost and Conversion. The focus is on how people are changed by the Holy Spirit. Welcoming the Holy Spirit into our hearts invites conversion of the heart by receiving the gifts of the Holy Spirit and allowing these to bear fruit in our lives. Children will explore how people are changed by the Holy Spirit through the examples of the apostles, St Paul and other saints and they will learn the names of the fruits of the Spirit.

Activities to support learning at home:

Reception:

Week 2: Roleplay how the Holy Spirit is our special friend.

Year 1:

Week 2: Draw a picture of Jesus on the road to Emmaus.

Year 2:

Week 2: Some people call Pentecost the birthday of the Church. Celebrate it together with your family.

Religious Education (RED) – Nursery (Cygnet, Ducklings and Wagtails)



This week the children have been learning about "The Ascension of Jesus" how Jesus stayed with his disciples and friends for 40 days after Easter, then he was taken to Heaven to be with his Father, learning how he would always be with them through the "Holy Spirit" that was sent down from Heaven.

The Nursery team were so proud of all the children as they helped with the celebrations of the "Crowning of Mary" walking with the whole school to lay flowers by Mary.



Parents and Carers Morning Coffee Time!

Tuesday 13th May 2025 • 08:45 - 10:00

Drop your children into school, then come and relax and unwind!

Toddlers and babies welcome

Prices: Drinks 50p, sweet treats £1

Raise funds for the PTA

Cash only

We hope to see you soon!

Online Safety Zone

Introducing Our New Online Safety Zone

We're excited to announce the launch of a new **Online Safety Zone**. This dedicated space is designed to keep you informed, supported, and up to date on the ever-evolving digital world our children are growing up in.

In today's world, children are spending more time online, whether it's for learning, socialising, or entertainment. While the internet offers many opportunities, it also comes with challenges. As part of our commitment to keeping children safe and supported both in and out of school, we believe it's essential to work in partnership with parents and carers.

The Online Safety Zone will be updated regularly with:

- **Practical tips** for keeping your child safe online
- **Guides to popular apps and games**
- **Helpful videos and articles** from trusted sources
- **School policies and updates** related to digital safety
- **Information on where to get help or advice** if something doesn't seem right
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Whether you're tech-savvy or just starting to learn about digital safety, the Online Safety Zone is here to help.

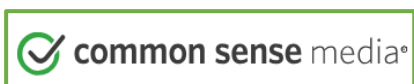


To kick start our zone, we are sharing information for parents about how to set up and use YouTube Kids.

YouTube Kids provides a child-friendly platform with parental controls, a curated library of age-appropriate content, and a focus on safety. It aims to offer a positive and enriching entertainment and educational experience for children. To find out more and set it up click this link - [YouTube Kids - Parent resource page](#)

Whilst using YouTube Kids is certainly safer than allowing your children free reign on the regular version of the platform, **it is not completely risk free**.

Common Sense Media have their own guide and information for families available on this link - [Common Sense Media: Ultimate guide to YouTube Kids](#)



They are also a great source for families to check the content of games, films and websites. Click the logo to go directly to their website.

Reporting Concerns

It is **vital** that everyone plays their part in keeping the internet safe. If you come across anything of concern, please report to CEOP so that action can be taken to protect others.

<https://www.ceop.police.uk/ceop-reporting/>



CEOP is a law enforcement agency and is here to keep children and young people safe from sexual exploitation and abuse. Please complete the below to start your report to one of CEOP's Child Protection Advisors.

I am

Under 18 years old

A parent / guardian

A professional working with children or young people

HIDDEN TALENTS KIDS CLUB!

@ ST ANNE LINE INFANT
SCHOOL, BASILDON

- Boost confidence & independence
- Encourage creativity & imagination
- Develop communication skills
- A safe and fun environment

SATURDAY MORNINGS

9.30am-12.30pm

AGES 4 - 11

9.45am - 10.30am

AGES 3-5

CALL/MESSAGE 07789715157
TO BOOK YOUR SPACE.



DANCE
SINGING
DRAMA
ARTS AND CRAFTS
THEATRE
GAMES
ROLE PLAY
CREATIVITY
IMAGINATION
PLAY
MUSIC

Explore, Create, and Grow!

Give your child the chance to shine in a club as unique as they are! Drop them off for three hours of creativity, fun, and adventure, where they'll build confidence, independence, and new friendships.

✦ COME AND DISCOVER YOUR
HIDDEN TALENT ✦



St Anne Line Catholic Infant School & Nursery



DATES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR

2025

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.

SUMMER TERM 2025

DATE	EVENT	YEAR
22 Apr	Children return to school/nursery	Whole school
25 Apr	Used Uniform Sale (2:45pm-3:15pm)	Whole school
26 Apr	Big Help Out (10am-12pm) CANCELLED	Whole school
30 Apr	Phonics Screening Information Meeting Yr 1 (9am-9:30am)	Yr 1 Parents/Carers
01 May	Crowning of Mary Procession (9:30am)	Whole school
05 May	BANK HOLIDAY	Whole school
07 May	Stay and Pray Yr 2 (8:45am)	Yr 2
08 May	VE Day 80th Anniversary & Picnic	Whole school
13 May	PTA Meeting (8:45am-9:45am)	Parents
17 May	Big Help Out (10am-12pm)	Whole school
23 May	Crazy Hair Day (PTA)	Whole school
23 May	Used Uniform Sale (2:45pm-3:15pm)	Whole school
26-30 May	HALF TERM (incl. Bank Holiday on 5 May)	Whole school
02 Jun	Children return to school/nursery	Whole school
05 Jun	Mini Olympics	Selected children
06 Jun	Breakfast Morning (8:30am-9:30am)	Whole school
10 Jun	Stay and Pray (8:45am)	Reception
20 Jun	Class Photos	Whole school
27 Jun	Used Uniform Sale (2:45pm-3:15pm)	Whole school
03 Jul	Sports Day - Junior School Field (AM)	Reception/Yr1 & Yr2
04 Jul	Family Beach Day (EYFS)	Nursery & Reception
11 Jul	Family BBQ Celebration (3pm-5pm)	Whole school
16 Jul	Display Evening (3pm-6pm)	Whole school
17 Jul	Yr 2 Leaver's Mass (11am)	Yr 2
18 Jul	Yr 2 Leaver's Assembly & Lunch (10:45am)	Yr 2
18 Jul	Last Day of Term Early Finish 1:15pm	Whole school
21 & 22 Jul	Non pupil days	Whole school
23 Jul-29 Aug	SUMMER HOLIDAYS	Whole school