

# Newsletter

## Weekly Message from Mrs Clayton

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you all had a wonderful Easter break and spent lots of time together as a family. The children have returned to school well rested and ready for the summer term. The main focus in school this week has been reflecting on the life of Pope Francis and all the wonderful things that he achieved during his life time. Pope Francis was a strong supporter of education and teachers. In 2020, he said 'We consider education to be one of the most effective ways of making our world and history more human. Education is above all a matter of love and responsibility handed down from one generation to another'. He called teaching, 'a beautiful job...and a great responsibility'. I hope that we at St Anne Line Infants will live up to that responsibility and make him proud.

**THERE WILL BE HOLY MASS FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF OUR HOLY FATHER WHICH WILL BE CELEBRATED BY BISHOP ALAN IN THE CATHEDRAL ON SUNDAY 27th APRIL AT 11.30a.m.**

### 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

Dear God,

Thank you for loving me and my friends.

Amen

(Arianna - Kingfishers)




Love


Learn

Pray



## Lunch Menu

Menu Week 2 				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>CHOICE 1</b> Pepperoni pizza Nachos Coleslaw	<b>CHOICE 1</b> Homemade chicken nuggets Served with rice & steamed green beans (Sweet chilli sauce optional)	<b>CHOICE 1</b> Roast chicken thighs Served with roast potatoes Yorkshire pudding Steamed carrots & gravy	<b>CHOICE 1</b> Beef chilli macaroni cheese Served with naan bread & steamed broccoli	<b>CHOICE 1</b> Fish fillet Chips Baked beans
<b>CHOICE 2</b> Jacket potato with one choice of filling: cheese, baked beans or tuna mayonnaise	<b>CHOICE 2</b> Quorn dippers Served with rice & steamed green beans (sweet chilli sauce optional)	<b>CHOICE 2</b> Vegetable baskets Served with roast potatoes Yorkshire pudding Steamed carrots & vegetarian gravy	<b>CHOICE 1</b> Quorn mince macaroni cheese Served with naan bread & steamed broccoli	<b>CHOICE 1</b> Cheese & broccoli Chips Baked beans
<b>DESSERT</b> Cake	<b>DESSERT</b> Fresh fruit	<b>DESSERT</b> Ice lolly	<b>DESSERT</b> Fresh fruit	<b>DESSERT</b> 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 4.4.25) was 98.3%. The **Wrens class** won the attendance prize with **100%** 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.

## Headteacher's Award (Friday 25th April)



A'Brielle (Owls), Alby (Owls), Alfin (Wrens), and Fehintoluwami (Wrens) all won the Headteacher's Award this week for being fantastic during their whole time in St Anne Line Infants.

Well done!

## Cancellation – Big Help Out – Saturday 26 April

Due to the fact that the Pope's funeral will take place on Saturday 26th April, we have made the sad decision to cancel the Big Help Out this weekend. The new date will be Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> of May.

## Phonics Screening Information Meeting – Year 1

Year 1 parents and carers are invited to attend a Phonics Screening Information meeting on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> of April at 9am until 9:30am in the school hall.**

## MEASLES OUTBREAK

Measles is circulating in Basildon with an outbreak in an early years setting. The most distinctive feature of measles is a rash.

Any parent who thinks they or their child has a rash should seek urgent advice from their general practice or NHS 111 and not attend school until advised it is safe. They should not go to their GP or any other healthcare setting without calling ahead first. This is to prevent the further spread of measles.

The best protection against measles is prior MMR vaccination. The parents or guardians of any child who has missed an MMR vaccination should contact their GP, or the Essex Children's Immunisation Team (0300 790 0597) to arrange this. More information on measles can be found on the following Government webpage: [What to do if you think your child has measles and when to keep them off school.](#)

## House Points

The children have been working hard to receive House Points.

St John Paul II	St Bernadette
2,216	2,053
St Alphonsa	St Martin de Porres
2,093	1,985

## 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.**



# Gold Leaf Awards



**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April**

**Fadunsola (Owls) – Learn  
Ariana & Johan N  
(Wrens) – Pray**

**Joel (Kingfishers) - Learn  
Valerie (Herons) - Love**

**Olanna (Sparrows) - Learn  
Daniel (Robins) – Learn**

**Adela (Wagtails) – Learn  
Victoria (Ducklings) - Learn**

## **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**

This week, we recapped the Easter story and celebrated the life of Pope Francis, exploring his importance in our Catholic faith and how he inspires us to live like Jesus. The children learned about the Vatican and the voting process for selecting a new Pope. These topics sparked many discussions, leading us into geography and languages, developing the children's understanding of both our faith and the wider world.

## **Cygnets – Nursery**

This week, Cygnets have been looking at the Easter story again, recapping on the key points and talking about how we have been trying to be more like Jesus through this special time called Lent. We have also been celebrating that a Parish Church is a special place where we meet our friends to sing and pray, the children have been listening and learning a new Hymn "Sing Hosanna" which we will continue to sing throughout this term.

As the weather improves, please send your child into nursery with a sun hat, clearly labelled with their name that can stay in nursery.

### **PTA Meeting – Rescheduled (new date Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> of May – 8:45am)**

Please note, the PTA Meeting due to take place on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> of May will now take place on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> of May at 8:45am. Apologies for any inconvenience this change of date may cause.

### **Sports Bag**

Every week a child from each class in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will bring home a sports bag with equipment to use. Instructions will be inside the bag for children and their families to enjoy physical activities.

### **Reminder - Mrs Davis's Easter Holiday Sports Challenge**

Thank you to the children and families who have already taken part in the Easter Holiday Sports Challenge. A reminder of the challenge:

Children and families please make your own obstacle course.

If you would still like to take part, please send photos by Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> of April to the school office [office@salinf.org](mailto:office@salinf.org)

Certificates will be given in Celebration Assembly to those children who take part.

### **Mrs Davis's Weekly Sports Challenge**

Potato and Spoon Family Race – Can you race your family with a potato balanced on a spoon? Email your photos to [office@salinf.org](mailto:office@salinf.org)

### **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.

### **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).

## 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 1: Draw a picture of Jesus going back to his Father.*

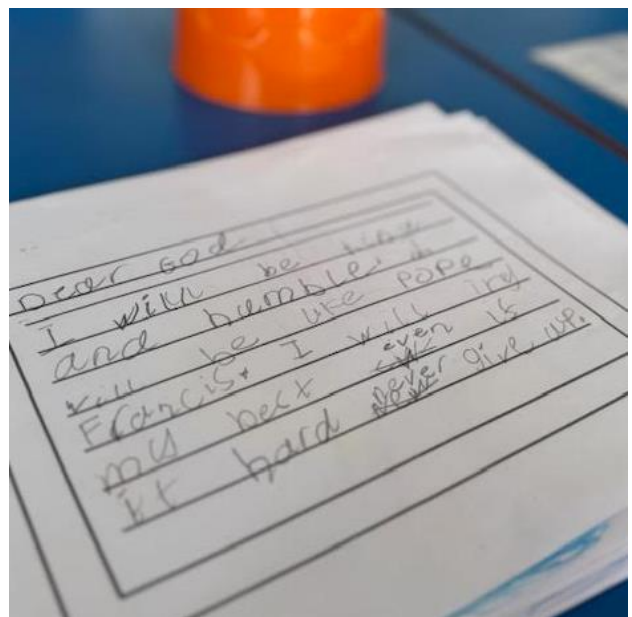
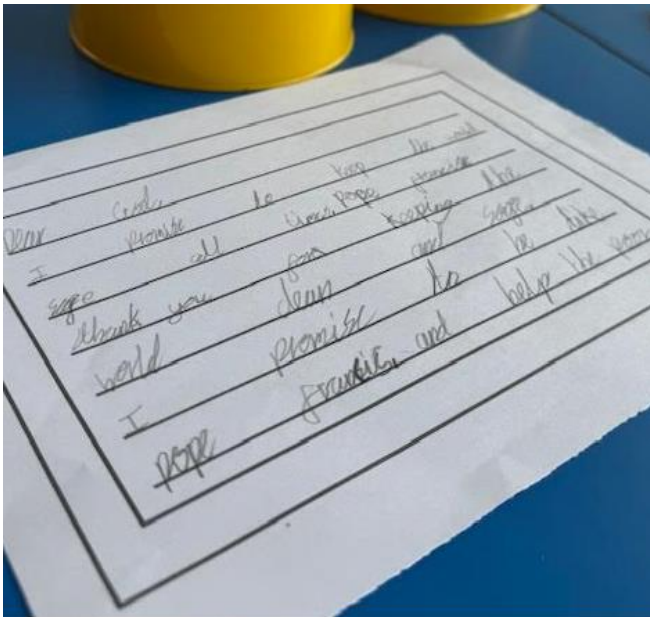
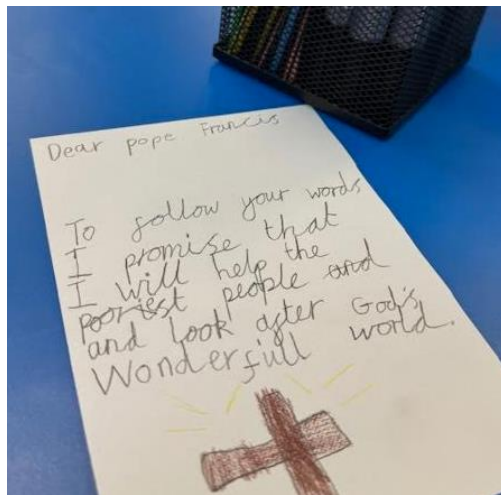
#### **Year 1:**

*Week 1: Share the event from Jesus' life that means the most to you and your family and why.*

#### **Year 2:**

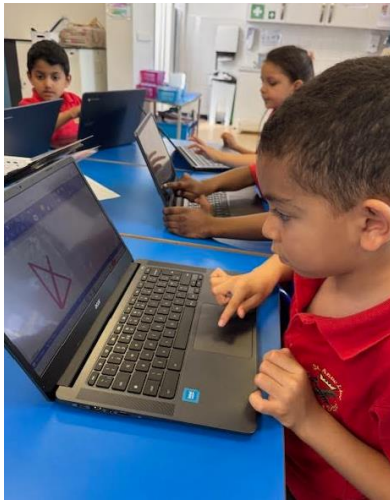
*Week 1: Make a sign that says peace be with you.*

# Remembering Pope Francis



## Year 1

This week we began our cross curricular art & computing topic. The children learnt about artist Ranti Bam, we discussed and evaluated her sculptures. They then used playdough to practise sculpture skills and the use of clay tools to roll, flatten, squeeze, pinch, carve and imprint. The children then used digital tools to create artwork inspired by nature and Ranti Bam's use of colour, line, texture and layering.



**Letter emailed this week to School and Nursery parents**



**St. Anne Line Catholic Infant School & Nursery**



24<sup>th</sup> April 2025

Dear Families,

**Crowning of Mary  
Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> of May – 9:30am  
School Playground**

We will be celebrating the month of May with our Crowning of Mary service on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> of May at 9:30am. We would like to invite families to share this special event with our children and staff, as we celebrate Mary, our patron.

Children are welcome to bring in flowers on this day to lay by Mary.

We do hope that we will be able to hold this event outside on the playground as it helps all of our children recognise how important and special Mary is to our school community. We warmly welcome you to this service.

Unfortunately, in the event of bad weather we will hold the event within the school hall. Sadly, we do not have enough room to welcome you if this is the case.

Best wishes,

**Melanie Clayton  
Head Teacher**



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## Letter sent to KS1 Parents this week



### St. Anne Line Catholic Infant School & Nursery

Dear Parent/Carer

23rd April 2025

#### NSPCC's *Speak out. Stay safe.* programme

I am pleased to inform you that we are participating in the **NSPCC's *Speak out. Stay safe.* Programme** this term. *Speak out. Stay safe.* is a programme for children aged 5-11 which aims to help children understand abuse in all its forms and to recognise the signs of abuse. Children are taught to speak out if they are worried, either to a safe adult or Childline.

This child friendly programme is aligned with the curriculum and consists of age appropriate virtual assemblies and supporting classroom based activities which we have reviewed. The content is delivered in an engaging and interactive way with the help of the NSPCC mascot Buddy.

Parents and carers are asked to let school know if their child may have experienced anything (in the past or happening now) which may mean they need extra support before, during or after taking part in this programme.

If you would like to know more about the *Speak out. Stay safe.* programme visit [www.nspcc.org.uk/speakout](http://www.nspcc.org.uk/speakout). **Additional NSPCC resources for families to help keep children safe**

The NSPCC have shared some important information below on wider NSPCC resources and support to help keep children safe.

<p><b>Parent/Carer support</b></p> <p>Take a look at information, support, advice and activities from NSPCC for parent and carers.</p> <p><a href="http://www.nspcc.org.uk/parents">www.nspcc.org.uk/parents</a></p>	<p><b>Activities to extend learning at home</b></p> <p>Take part in games and activities at home to help children learn about speaking out and staying safe.</p> <p><a href="http://www.nspcc.org.uk/activities">www.nspcc.org.uk/activities</a></p>
<p><b>Online Safety Hub</b></p> <p>For information on a range of different online safety topics including gaming, social media, sharing images, parental controls and more.</p> <p><a href="http://www.nspcc.org.uk/onlinesafety">www.nspcc.org.uk/onlinesafety</a></p>	<p><b>Childline – under 12's</b></p> <p>Childline have an accessible website with advice, support, games and activities. Children can change the language, enlarge text and also listen to the content.</p> <p><a href="http://www.childline.org.uk/buddy">www.childline.org.uk/buddy</a> (5-7)</p> <p><a href="http://www.childline.org.uk/kids">www.childline.org.uk/kids</a> (7-11)</p>
<p><b>Talk PANTS with your children</b></p> <p>Talk PANTS is a simple conversation to help keep children safe from sexual abuse. From P through to S, each letter of PANTS provides simple but important messages. Download the free resources at <a href="http://www.nspcc.org.uk/pants">www.nspcc.org.uk/pants</a>.</p>	

I hope you find this information about the NSPCC and the *Speak out. Stay safe.* programme helpful. Please do contact me if you have any further questions.

Yours sincerely,

**Melanie Clayton**  
Head Teacher

# 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.

3 HOUR KIDS CLUB!

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 ✨

## **South West School Age Community Drop-in**

The School Age team at Essex Child and Family Wellbeing Services will provide drop-ins for parents/carers and school aged young people across South West Essex. The drop-ins are available for all young people including those who may be home educated or unable to access the support they require in the school environment.

Support offered:

- Emotional health and wellbeing
- Improving sleep
- Nutrition support
- Physical and sexual health
- Personal hygiene
- Managing health conditions
- Signposting, advice and support.

**No need to book, just come along**

For more information  
Tel:0300 247 0013 (Mon-Fri 9am-5pm)

### **Northlands Park Family Hub**

Davenants, Basildon SS13 1QX

#### **School Age Parent Drop in**

9:15 - 10:15

#### **Young People's Drop-in**

15:30 - 16:30

1st and 3rd **Monday** of the month

### **All About Delivery Site**

Leinster Road, Laindon SS15 5NX

#### **School Age Parent Drop in**

9:15 - 10:15

#### **Young People's Drop-in**

15:30 - 16:30

2nd and 4th **Monday** of the month

### **Sunnyside Delivery Site**

Rosebay Avenue, Billericay, CM12 0GH

#### **School Age Parent Drop in**

9:30 - 10:30

#### **Young People's Drop in**

15:30 - 16:30

1st and 3rd **Thursday** of the month

### **Larchwood Gardens Family Hub**

Larchwood Gardens, Pilgrims Hatch, Brentwood  
CM15 9NG

#### **School Age Parent Drop in**

9:15 - 10:15

#### **Young People's Drop in**

15:30 - 16:30

1st and 3rd **Tuesday** of the month



**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
<b>26 Apr</b>	<b>Big Help Out (10am-12pm) CANCELLED</b>	<b>Whole school</b>
<b>30 Apr</b>	<b>Phonics Screening Information Meeting Yr 1 (9am-9:30am)</b>	<b>Yr 1 Parents/Carers</b>
01 May	Crowning of Mary Procession (9:30am)	Whole school
05 May	BANK HOLIDAY	Whole school
07 May	Stay and Pray (8:45am)	Yr 2
13 May	PTA Meeting (8:45am-9:45am)	Parents
<b>17 May</b>	<b>Big Help Out (10am-12pm)</b>	<b>Whole school</b>
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