

# Newsletter

## Weekly Message from Mrs Clayton

Dear Parents/Carers,

We started the week continuing our celebration of the feast of St Anne Line, with our visit from Rise Theatre which the children thoroughly enjoyed. We have been ensuring the children have a clear understanding of the sacrifices that she made for her faith and the fearless way in which she lived her life. All week the children have been encouraged to do things that would make Anne Line proud of them. We will share some of these with you in next week's newsletter.

Wishing you a lovely weekend with your families.

## Reminder - Non-Pupil Day - Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2025 Infant School & Nursery

A reminder, Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February is a non-pupil day.

## IMPORTANT – PARKING NEAR SCHOOL

Please be considerate to our neighbours and park in the Church carpark when dropping/collecting your children.

## Mrs Davis's Weekly Sports Challenge

Can you create your own dance to your favourite song?

## Special prayers from our children

Dear Lord,

*Help poor people to not be ill, to be safe, loved,  
to have a home to live in,  
food to eat and water to drink.*

*Amen (Amiya – Wrens)*



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Love  
Learn  
Pray



## Lunch Menu

Menu Week 2 				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>CHOICE 1</b>	<b>CHOICE 1</b>	<b>CHOICE 1</b>	<b>CHOICE 1</b>	<b>CHOICE 1</b>
Macaroni cheese Garlic naan bread Steamed broccoli	Homemade crispy chicken tenders Savoury rice Steamed green beans Sweet chilli sauce (optional)	Butcher's pork sausages Mash Steamed peas Gravy	Beef meatballs in tomato sauce Organic wholewheat spaghetti Steamed sweetcorn	Omega 3 fish fingers Chips Baked beans
<b>CHOICE 2</b>	<b>CHOICE 2</b>	<b>CHOICE 2</b>	<b>CHOICE 2</b>	<b>CHOICE 2</b>
Jacket potato with choice of filling: tuna mayonnaise, cheese, baked beans	Roasted herby Quorn fillet Savoury rice Steamed green beans	Vegetarian sausages Mash Steamed peas Vegetarian gravy	Vegetarian meatballs in tomato sauce Organic wholewheat spaghetti Steamed sweetcorn	Cheese and vegetable quesadilla Chips Baked beans
<b>DESSERT</b>	<b>DESSERT</b>	<b>DESSERT</b>	<b>DESSERT</b>	<b>DESSERT</b>
Baking of the Day	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.

## Attendance

The school weekly attendance last week (ending Friday 31.01.25) was 96.8%. The Robins class won the attendance prize with 98%. 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 Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February



Jason (Hérons) won the Headteacher's Award this week as he had been noticed by several teachers at playtime being exceptionally kind and caring to others. Well done!

### Important Reminder

#### The gate closes at 8:40am (for School and Nursery)

A reminder, the school gate closes at **8:40am**. If there is no member of staff at the gate, please ensure you bring your child to the school office. Please do not send them around to their classroom as the door will be closed at this time. Thank you for your support in keeping our children safe.

### Reminder – Freshwater Theatre Visiting Year 2 Quest for the Titanic Workshop Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February

Freshwater Theatre will be visiting Year 2 on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February. This is an in-school experience teaching the children in an informative and creative way. Please kindly make a payment of £5 on ParentPay.

### Year 2 Visit - Museum of the Moon Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February

Year 2 will be visiting the Museum of the Moon at St Martin's Church in Basildon Town Centre on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February. Please ensure your child is wearing a warm waterproof coat and sensible shoes as they will be walking to town and back to school.

## House Points

The children have been working hard to receive House Points.

St John Paul II	St Bernadette
1,467	1,377
St Alphonsa	St Martin de Porres
1,381	1,472

### 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



## **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February**

Evelyn (Owls) – Learn

Luke (Wrens) – Learn

Arianna (Kingfishers) - Love

Dillon (Hérons) - Learn

Tobalase (Sparrows) - Love

Ruby (Robins) – Learn

Onallika (Wagtails) - Pray

Ilinca (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.

## **Reception**

Donations of tissue boxes would be much appreciated. Library books are changed on a Friday. Donations of cereal boxes and toilet roll tubes would be much appreciated.



## **Wagtails & Ducklings - Nursery**

Please look on Tapestry for upto date information.

Donations of old newspapers would be gratefully received. A reminder to please add your child's name to any hats, scarves and mittens. Donations of spare socks would be appreciated.



## **Cygnets - Nursery**

Please remember to access your child's Tapestry account to check any updated news. Please ensure your child's name is on all of their belongings. Please also send in wellington boots if you have not done so already.



## **Reminder - Nursery - Prompt Arrival for Nursery Sessions Please**

A reminder, please arrive on time for your child's nursery session. In the morning the gate opens at 8:30am and closes at 8:40am, therefore please arrive before 8:40am to allow enough time to walk around to the nursery rooms. Please arrive by 11:55am for the afternoon session. Thank you.

## Religious Education (RED)



Starting this year, EYFS, Year 1, and Year 2 are beginning to use the new Religious Education (RE) curriculum, called "RED - To Know You More Clearly." This curriculum is part of a plan for teaching religious education in Catholic schools. It has four main parts: knowledge, ways of learning, expected results, and different topics of study.

The curriculum is divided into six main topics, or "branches," which are taught over the six half-terms of the school year. Each branch helps students learn about different parts of Jesus' life and teachings. These topics will be taught again each year to help children understand Jesus' message more deeply.

The six branches are:

1. Creation and Covenant
2. Prophecy and Promise
3. Galilee to Jerusalem
4. Desert to Garden
5. To the Ends of the Earth
6. Dialogue and Encounter

## Joseph Coelho – National Storytelling Week

The KS1 children had a great time watching Joseph Coelho lead a virtual lesson on story writing as part of National Storytelling Week.

## 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).**



# St Anne Line Prayer Table & RISE Theatre Visit - Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February



## Reception

The children have continued to learn about the story of Jesus feeding the 5,000. During Maths – White Rose, the children were looking at the composition of 6,7,8. They have also been working hard in their phonics groups. The children have been assessed ready to move into new groups after half term. In Drawing Club, they enjoyed Three Billy Goats Gruff.

Please make sure jumpers are clearly labelled. A big well done to parents/carers for writing in your child's reading journals. We have seen a big improvement. A reminder, the school library is open from 8am Monday to Friday, it would be great to see Reception children attending.

## Year 1

### Branch 3 Galilee to Jerusalem

In this branch, pupils across the school will experience the ministry of Jesus, the Word of God. They will learn about the life of Jesus and his revelation of the Kingdom of God through parables, encounters, miracles, and teachings.

They will learn about the call of the disciples and the nature of being a follower of Jesus.

The focus of this branch 3 for year 1 pupils is to develop an early understanding of the Christian belief that through the ministry of Jesus, some of those who encountered him recognised he was the Son of God. **This week's task is:**

**Think about times when you have not shown love and needed Jesus' help to change like Zacchaeus. Say sorry and consider making a promise to change.**

## Year 2

This half-term, the theme for the Galilee to Jerusalem branch is:

### Ministry, parables and miracles.

In this branch, pupils will deepen their knowledge from Year One about who Jesus is and understand how he teaches about the nature of God through parables and miracles. In this branch, pupils will look at the baptism of Jesus and think about how Christians use prayer as a way of turning back to God alongside the symbolism of water as a sign of cleansing and new birth.

Each week, we would like to give you a small task to complete at home with your child to support our learning in class. **This week's task is:**

**Can you name some of the miracles Jesus performed and talk about them? Such as Jesus turning water into wine, Jesus heals the sick, Jesus calms a storm.**

## Year 1

We have started our new art enquiry topic and looked at the work of Susan Stockwell and Emma Johnson. We have designed our map to be a starting point for our art lessons next week.

## Year 2

This week the children created safety posters for the Titanic in preparation for the Freshwater Theatre visit next week.

## Return of School Books

Could parents please kindly check children's book bags and also at home and return any books that you may have had for a while - especially RWI book bag books as we are running low. Thank you.

## Faith Explorers Club

At Faith Explorers we pray, think of others and develop our faith through Scripture and art.



## PTA Meeting – Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February

Thank you to everyone who attended the PTA meeting on Tuesday. Details of future events will be advised soon. Thank you for your support.

## Reminder - Tesco In-Store Vote

We are delighted that our application to Tesco Stronger Starts has been successful and our project has been put forward to a customer vote in some Tesco stores. Voting has commenced in store until the end of March 2025.

The following information is shown on the voting unit:

**St Anne Line Catholic Infant School & Nursery**  
**Bespoke Children's Cooking Area**

We would like to offer cooking experiences in a bespoke cooking area for our nursery and school-aged children.

The stores you are able to vote at are:

**Basildon Extra SS14 3HZ (Mayflower)**  
**Basildon Superstore SS15 6TJ (Langdon Hills)**  
**Stanford-Le-Hope Express SS17 0HR**  
**Basildon Express SS13 1PN**  
**Grange Road Parade Express CM11 2RF**  
**Billericay Meadow Rise Express CM11 2DN**

To vote, you will need to make a purchase of any value within the store and you will receive one token per transaction. It is not necessary to purchase a carrier bag in order to receive a token.



**YEAR 1  
AND  
YEAR 2  
CHILDREN**





**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.**

## SPRING TERM 2025

DATE	EVENT	YEAR
06 Jan	Children return to school	Whole school
14 Jan	New Parents School Tour (9am)	New Parents
22 Jan	Yr 2 Visit to Braintree Museum	Yr 2
24 Jan	Used Uniform Sale (2:45pm-3:15pm)	Whole school
31 Jan	St Anne Line Day	Whole School
31 Jan	St Anne Line Feast Day Mass (1:30pm) The Most Holy Trinity	Yr 2
03 Feb	RISE Theatre visiting School (Reception/Yr 1/Yr 2)	Reception/Yr 1/ Yr 2
04 Feb	PTA Meeting (8:45am-9:45am)	Parents
11 Feb	Freshwater Theatre visiting Yr 2 (history topic)	Yr 2
<b>13 Feb</b>	<b>Yr 2 Museum of the Moon Visit St Martin's Church, Basildon</b>	<b>Yr 2</b>
17-21 Feb	HALF TERM	Whole school
24 Feb	Non pupil day	Whole school
25 Feb	Children return to School	Whole school
25 Feb	Freshwater Theatre visiting Yr 1 (history topic)	Yr 1
28 Feb	Breakfast Morning (8:30am-9:30am)	Whole school
28 Feb	Used Uniform Sale (2:45pm-3:15pm)	Whole school
03 Mar-07 Mar	Book Fair	Whole school
05 Mar	Ash Wednesday Mass Yr2 (11am) The Most Holy Trinity	Yr 2
05 Mar	Stay and Pray (8:45am) - CANCELLED	Yr 2
06 Mar	World Book Day	Whole school
13 Mar	Cross Country	Whole school
26 Mar	Parents Evening KS1 & EYFS (1pm-7pm)	Whole school
27 Mar	Stay and Pray (8:45am)	Yr 1
28 Mar	Used Uniform Sale (2:45pm-3:15pm)	Whole school
31 Mar	Hot Cross Bun Run	Selected children
03 Apr	Easter Passion Play Yr 2 (2pm)	Yr 2
04 Apr	Last Day of Term Early Finish 1:15pm	Whole school
07 Apr-21 Apr	EASTER HOLIDAYS	Whole school

## SUMMER TERM 2025

DATE	EVENT	YEAR
22 Apr	Children return to school	Whole school
25 Apr	Used Uniform Sale (2:45pm-3:15pm)	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
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	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