

Newsletter

Weekly Message from Mrs Clayton

Dear Parents/Carers,

The new term has started quietly, with the children settling back into their routines. On Monday we celebrated the Feast of Epiphany. We had an assembly to help the children understand the significance of this Holy day and how God sent his son, Jesus, into the world so that everyone, everywhere might know of God's great love for all his children.

Next week Reception will begin to come into school on their own. They are ready for this next independent step and I ask parents to support us with this.

Please make sure you familiarise yourselves with the many events happening over the coming weeks and we look forward to a successful term ahead.

Wishing you a lovely weekend with your families.

IMPORTANT – PARKING NEAR SCHOOL

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

SNOW!

Snow is possible at this time of year. Please see page 7 of this newsletter for a reminder of the snow letter previously sent.



Special prayers from our children

Dear God,

Thank you for all of the stars.

Amen (Liana – Sparrows)



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Love


Learn

Pray



Lunch Menu

Menu Week 2 				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
CHOICE 1	CHOICE 1	CHOICE 1	CHOICE 1	CHOICE 1
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
CHOICE 2	CHOICE 2	CHOICE 2	CHOICE 2	CHOICE 2
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
DESSERT	DESSERT	DESSERT	DESSERT	DESSERT
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 for this week ending Friday 10.01.25 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 9th January



Alex (Sparrows) won the Headteacher's Award this week for being very sensible in the lunch hall, helping Mrs Clayton. Well done.

School Tour for New Parents – Extra Date

If you would like to apply for a place at our school, we warmly invite you to attend a tour of our school on **Tuesday 14th January** at 9am.

Spaces are limited, places must be booked by emailing: admissions@salinf.org

Year 2 Visit to Braintree Museum – Wednesday 22nd January

A reminder to please return the permission slip and make a payment of £17 on ParentPay. Many thanks.

After School Activity & Sports Clubs/Hidden Talents Club

A reminder that the after school clubs commence next week, from Monday 13th January. Please see ParentPay for available clubs.

Reminder – School Admissions Applications Reception/Year 3

The closing date for school admissions applications for Reception/Year 3 is **WEDNESDAY 15th JANUARY 2025**.

<https://www.essex.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions>

House Points

The children have been working hard to receive House Points.

St John Paul II	St Bernadette
980	877
St Alphonsa	St Martin de Porres
846	904

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 9th January

Kosi (Owls) - Learn

Serena (Wrens) – Learn/Pray

Haven (Kingfishers) – Learn/Pray

Abrielle (Herons) - Learn

Wojciech (Sparrows) - Learn

Oba (Robins) - 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

A reminder that P.E. days are Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Please ensure your child is not wearing earrings/studs on these days. Please note, only studs can be worn on the days the children do not have P.E. 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.

The children have settled in well after Christmas. Donations of old newspapers would be gratefully received. **A reminder to please add your child's name to any hats, scarves and mittens.**



Cygnets - Nursery

Welcome back after the Christmas break and welcome to the new parents and children who joined us for their settling in sessions this week. It was lovely to meet everyone. 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 .



Mrs Davis's Weekly Sports Challenge

How many star jumps can you do in a minute? Can you beat your previous score?

Reception

The Reception children have settled in well after the Christmas break and are responding well to Phonics. They have welcomed the new members of staff. Next week's story is Whatever Next! The children will be practising their RWI set 2 sounds next week.



Year 1

The Year 1 children have enjoyed their return to school. They have been learning about 3D shapes and how technology works. Their RE topic this week was the journey from Galilee to Jerusalem.

Year 2

The Year 2 children have settled back into their classes following the Christmas break and have enjoyed their learning so far. Their topic this week was computing enquiry. They took part in an "unplugged" activity to help them to understand how different devices and technology work together to complete a task. They were the shop tills, scanners and servers.



Winter Reading Challenge!

Are you ready to take part in fun, interactive activities this winter to help six dragon friends make their way home out of the cold? Please click on the link below for further information.



<https://libraries.essex.gov.uk/news/winter-reading-challenge>

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).



Forest School – Donations Please

If you have any old wellington boots and joggers/leggings you are able to donate to Forest School for spares, please bring them to the school office. Thank you.



St. Anne Line Catholic Infant School & Nursery



9th January 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

From next week, Monday 13th of January, Reception children will be walking independently from the school gate in the mornings to their classrooms. This will enable the children to be responsible in finding their way through the playground to their own classroom. Year 1 and Year 2 children should already be walking independently to their classrooms from the school gate.

School staff will be present on the playground to assist the children to walk around safely.

Phonics lessons begin at 8:45am every morning, therefore it is very important that children are in school ready to take their coats off, self-register, choose their lunches and be ready for their lesson.

Please be reminded that the school gate opens at 8:30am and children should arrive before 8:40am, when the school gate closes.

Also, please remember our library is open on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays (from 8am until 8:25am), so that school and nursery children can change their reading books with their parents.

Many thanks for your support.

Yours sincerely

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St. Anne Line Catholic Infant School & Nursery



22nd November 2024

SNOW!



Snow is possible during the winter period.

During heavy snowfall, every effort will be made to keep the school/nursery open, however as the safety of our children is our priority we may have to close on Health and Safety grounds.

If the decision is made to close school/nursery, a message will be sent out on the SchoolApp. Therefore, please ensure you have downloaded this App. A notice will also appear on our school website.

You can also check the Essex County Council website for information on school closures.

[Emergency school closures | Essex County Council](#)

Please note Radio stations are no longer publicising school closures.

Every effort will be made to keep the school open, providing there is a sufficient level of staff.



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in our Community

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Monday 20th & 27th Jan 2025

10.00- 2.00 pm

Beech Community Hub
8 Austen Road, SS14 3RZ

We have 3 ways to book:

CLICK HERE to book via Eventbrite!

Call/Text/Whatsapp -

07923 426 502

Email - basildonp4p@outlook.com



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Important Reminder – Oxford Owl eBook Library

Important reminder: We are using an online eBook library to set your child reading practice to do at home each week, alongside reading their book bag book and reading for pleasure books that they take home.

Your child will have been given a username and a password so that they can access their own personal student area on OxfordOwl.co.uk. Once they have [logged in](#), your child can complete their homework by going to the homework tab. This homework is reading their RWI scheme book that their teacher has assigned online, alongside a quiz for them to complete. Happy reading! *“The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go.”* Roald Dahl

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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
04 Feb	PTA Meeting (8:45am-9:45am)	Parents
17-21 Feb	HALF TERM	Whole school
24 Feb	Non pupil day	Whole school
25 Feb	Children return to School	Whole school
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	Stay and Pray (8:45am)	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