

Newsletter

Weekly Message from Mrs Clayton

Dear Parents/Carers,

It is a bumper, bonanza newsletter today as there is so much to celebrate from the last couple of weeks. The days have been packed with a variety of events that have been very well supported by parents, of which we are extremely grateful.

The International Fayre was wonderful, as usual. This is a lovely evening that brings the whole school community together.

There have been visits to the grotto, nativities with our junior school, our fellow trust schools alongside our own ones! We have all been to the pantomime, visited the church, enjoyed Christmas parties and Christmas dinner. The children have certainly had lots of opportunities to enjoy the Christmas season.

As always, a big thank you to you all for your kindness and the gifts for the staff. I also want to thank the staff for all of their hard work this year. They go above and beyond to ensure that your children receive the best education every single day.

And finally, I want to wish you all a blessed and holy Christmas. There will be many church services going on across the country this holiday and I do hope that you will be able to attend one of them.



Love
Learn
Pray



Infant School & Nursery Return to School

The children return to school and nursery on Monday 6th of January 2025.




Special prayers from our children


Dear God,

Thank you for my family and friends at Christmas.

Amen (Pollie – Wrens)

Lunch Menu – week commencing 06.01.25

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

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Attendance

The school weekly attendance ending Friday 6.12.24 was **97.1%**. The Kingfishers class won the attendance prize with 98.7% attendance. Well done. The school weekly attendance ending Friday 13.12.24 was **88.2%**. The Herons class won the attendance prize with 96% attendance. Well done. This week's attendance will appear in the next 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.

After School Activity & Sports Activity Clubs/Hidden Talents Club

The new after school activity and sports activity clubs, and Hidden Talents club will commence the week beginning Monday 13th of January 2025.

A school app message will be sent the week commencing Monday 6th January with the club details.

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 cereal boxes and toilet roll tubes would be much appreciated.



Reminder – School Admissions Applications Reception/Year 3

A reminder, school admissions applications for Reception/Year 3 started on **Monday 4th November until 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
830	888

Little Forest School Wreath

Some of the children helped to make the Advent wreath in Little Forest School. We gathered evergreen branches, symbolising everlasting life and hope given to us by the birth of Jesus. The circular shape of the wreath represents eternity, reminding us of God's infinite love and presence in our lives. The candles mark the passing of time and encourage us to reflect on hope, peace, joy and love.



Santa's Grotto – Wednesday 11th December

The nursery and reception children very much enjoyed their visit to Santa's Grotto last week. Thank you to McDonald's for their kind treat of a hash brown and drink.



Year 2 Singing at Eastgate – Wednesday 11th December

St Luke's Hospice sent a huge thank you to the Year 2 children for their wonderful singing at Eastgate last week. Our school raised an amazing £150.05 and over the 2 weeks of singing, local schools helped raised an incredible £6,327.57.



Pantomime – Thursday 12th December

The children had a great time watching the Jack and the Beanstalk pantomime.



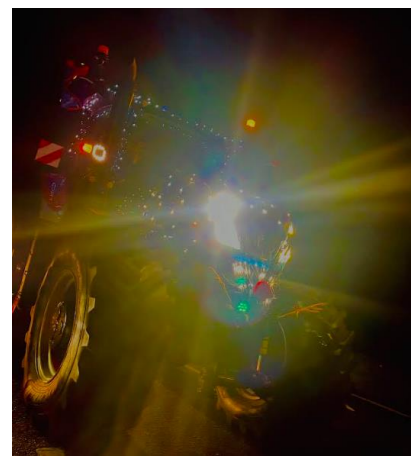
International Christmas Fayre – Friday 13th December

Thank you to parents and carers for your support at the International Christmas Fayre and a big thank you to the PTA for all of their hard work over the months preparing for this special event. We would also like to thank Mrs Camargo who arranged for a tractor to be present on the playground. Thank you to Asda for their kind donations of sweets, wrapping paper and cards. Also, to Beauty Palace for their kind donation of hair braiding. The total amount raised was £632.31.

The children also enjoyed wearing traditional clothing and thank you for your kind donations. We raised £84 towards the Pope's charity Missio. This charity ignites God's love by helping local missionaries to work alongside global communities that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief.



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BCCS (Brentwood Catholic Children's Society) Christmas Concert at De La Salle – Tuesday 17th December



Nursery Visit to The Most Holy Trinity Church – Tuesday 17th December



KS1 Christmas Nativity – Wednesday 18th December



Christmas Parties – Thursday 19th December



Christmas Dinner – Friday 20th December



Saying Goodbye to Miss Roel – Friday 20th December



Playground Buddy Awards

Well done to the Playground Buddies who have done a great job of looking after the playground equipment this term and helping to keep our playground tidy every breaktime and lunchtime.



Mass Schedule for the Nativity of the Lord

Tuesday 24th December

St Basil's 5.00pm
Holy Trinity 6.00pm
St Therese 10.00pm
St Basil's 10.00pm
Holy Trinity Midnight

Wednesday 25th December

Holy Trinity 8.30am
St Therese 9.00am
Holy Trinity 10.30am
St Basil's 11.00am



Christmas Reading Challenge

Tis the season to get reading....please encourage your child to take part in the 12 Challenges of Christmas Reading Challenge. For each challenge they complete, tick the circles on the sheet which will be sent home. If they complete all challenges, please pass the sheet to the Office or to Mrs Warren and they will receive a sticker and certificate.

CHRISTMAS READING CHALLENGE
THE 12 CHALLENGES OF CHRISTMAS

Read a Christmas themed book <input type="checkbox"/>	Have a whole family bedtime story <input type="checkbox"/>	Create a puppet show of a book <input type="checkbox"/>
Read a story by the Christmas tree <input type="checkbox"/>	Read a book that is older than you <input type="checkbox"/>	Build a den and share a story in it <input type="checkbox"/>
Read a story about an animal <input type="checkbox"/>	Read a book about kindness <input type="checkbox"/>	Share a story with someone over Zoom <input type="checkbox"/>
Draw a picture from your favourite book <input type="checkbox"/>	Share a poem with someone <input type="checkbox"/>	Read a book that makes you laugh <input type="checkbox"/>



St Anne Line Catholic Infant School & Nursery



***DATES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR
FOR
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
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)	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

