



The gospel this week reminds us that God loves us. He loves us so much he sends us the Holy Spirit to help us. This week we have also had the feast of the ascension, when Jesus returns to his father in heaven. Having this promise makes us stronger. - **Mrs A M Kendal, Head of School**

"Every time we open our hearts to Jesus, God's blessing enters our lives." **Pope Francis**

Pupil of the Week:

Pupils who gained a certificate this week are:

Reception- Chimdum

Year 1 – Leo

Year 2 – Jack

Year 3 – Whole Class

Year 4 – Naomi

Year 5 – Massimo

Year 6 – Filip

House Points: Well done to **St Paul** this week's winners with **117** points!

St Bernadette – 78

St Francis – 93

St Paul – 117

St Theresa – 65

St Thomas More – 48

St Anne Line – 98

International Week: This week has been a remarkable exploration of countries from around the world. Classes have been immersed in a different country its language, culture and lands. On Friday the children will be first sharing in assembly some of their learning and then out at the end of the day on the playground some of the new learning of the week. Do come and take some time to find out what they have been up to.

Here are the countries we studied:

Reception	France
Year 1	Canada
Year 2	USA
Year 3	Norway
Year 4	Mexico
Year 5	New Zealand
Year 6	Jamaica

Year 3 Assembly: Thank you so much to year 3 for a wonderful assembly on Magnificent Machines. We were wowed on their knowledge of circuits and the importance of using technology for good! Well Done

Sports Day: Weather permitting sports day is with us once more. Parents are very welcome to come and join the fun and watch from the sidelines. We organise the children into their house teams- this will make it easier for you to see your children as siblings are in the same houses. There may even be a chance to join in, so have those running shoes at the ready! Our fabulous school council will be running a lemonade stall for thirsty observers- so bring a small amount of small change if you would like some. Do remember that children should have their full PE uniform in school to wear and earrings are not allowed to be worn.

RSE Parent Meeting for Y5&Y6: If you would like to find out further information on how and what we teach we are holding a **virtual parent session on Thursday 25th May at 5pm.** Links to the virtual meeting can be found in the e-mail sent to parents on 2nd May 2023.

Holy Communion: Many Congratulations to Amenze, Alexandra, Alexander and Ysabelle who celebrated their First Holy Communion on Sunday at Our Lady of Fatima Church. They all looked beautiful and the sun shone on them too.

Karate Club: Jeff the karate teacher has had to reschedule the lesson on Tuesday 23rd May to **Monday 22nd May.**

Screen Time: Find out about setting screen-time limits and helping children moderate their own habits and finding the right balance for your family's needs from The Two Johns. [Screen Time - eSafety Training](#)

Dog Walking: We appreciate drop off and pick up time is a great opportunity to walk your dog. Please can we ask all dog walking families to be respectful of others around them and that their dog is kept on a lead by an adult. Please also be reminded dogs are not allowed on the school grounds.

Love Your Library Day: Love Your Library is back! Returning on **Saturday 27 May**, with a theme of Local and Community History. Essex Libraries would love you to come and join them and find out more about the history of your local area. Or share a fact or two. Let's all learn together!

Did you know some libraries have historical maps of the area? You'll have to pop in and see them for yourself, as these are for in-library use only! For all the latest on Love Your Library Day, make sure you're following @EssexLibraries on Instagram and Twitter, and search 'Essex Library Service' to find us on Facebook.

Dinner Menu

Our School Dinner Menu can be located [here](#). Week commencing 22nd May is Week 3.

Upcoming Dates:

Tue 23rd May: Sports Day, KS2 9.15/ KS1 1.15 (Parents Welcome)

Thur 25th May: Relationship Education Meet 5pm – Y5&Y6 Virtual

Mon 29th May – Fri 2nd June: Half Term

Tue 6th June: Y1 Prayer Service 2.30pm

Tue 6th June: Y4 swimming lessons start.

Fri 16th June: Nursery Sports Day – Time TBC

Mon 26th June: Year 5 PGL talk 5pm – Virtual.

Please see the link for **updated key dates** within the Summer Term

[Key Dates 2022-2023](#)

Mass Times:

Holy Cross Parish Mass Times are **Saturday 5.30pm Sunday 9am and 11am** holycrosschurchharlow.co.uk

Our Lady of Fatima Parish Mass times are STM Church **Sunday 8.30am**

OLF Church: **Saturday 6pm**

Sunday 10.30am, 12.15pm (Polish)

<https://olfstm.weebly.com/>

