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Thought of the Week Pope Francis' God calls each one of us, and each call is a gift that should fill us with joy. '

Attendance

Regular Attendance at school is very important. Our policy on attendance is on our website. However please note the following:

We expect children's attendance to be above **97%** for the academic year and need your support to ensure we hit this important mark.

Why is good attendance and punctuality important?

Education lays the vital foundations of a child's life. Regular and punctual attendance at school is key to both academic and social development, which in turn will improve the life chances of children and young people.

What does 90% attendance mean?

- 90% attendance = ½ school day missed every week!
- One school year at 90% attendance = 4 weeks of learning missed!
- Over 5 school years of school = ½ school year missed!
- All children and young people nationally whose school attendance is 90% or below are considered to be persistent absentees.

Family holidays and term time leave

Parents/carers should ensure that family holidays and any term time leave are arranged outside of school term time. Holidays during term time will not be authorised.

Parents/carers should not remove their child from school during term time without having first requested a leave of absence in writing from the Head of School.

All requests for authorised absence will be responded to in writing and will only be authorised in the most extreme circumstances. If permission is not granted, but the child is still absent, the absence is classed as unauthorised and parents/carers may be issued with a penalty notice.

attendance
MATTERS

Jigsaw

In our new PSHE scheme which we have started this term we have been learning about our rights and responsibilities. Children have had an opportunity to reflect on the rights rewards and consequences. Themes we have covered have been how do we make people welcome in our community and how do we respect everyone's right to learn. The children have really been engaged in these sessions and are keen to show their understanding in the way they are treating everyone in our community.

Year 4 MASS

Thank you year 4 for sharing a beautiful Mass with us on Tuesday on the theme of loving one another. The children reflected on the role of the disciples being examples of living faith. Thank you to Miss Gifford and Mrs DeFreitas for preparing them and to the parents who joined us in our celebration.

Prayer by Arianne and Felicia Y4:

“**L**ove one another as Jesus loves you,
Others can be friends not just people,
Values are the best way to show a community,
Encourage another to lift them up,
And that spells **LOVE**”.

Science Event

Well done to the children who attended the science event at Mark Hall Sports Centre today. They learnt all about electricity.



Aspirations Week 10-14 February

Thank you to all those volunteers who have offered to come into school. Over the next week you will be hearing from us about timings and arrangements.

Online Safety Awareness—TikTok (used to be called Musical.ly)

TikTok is a 13+ app that lets users create, share and discover videos. Users can browse others videos and interact with them.

Some of the most common concerns with TikTok are:

- that accounts are default set to be public – so anyone could see what is shared
- users can see inappropriate content or be contacted by people they do not know

or more information/awareness, do look at Netsafe's site on TikTok which includes a link to TikTok's own advice for parents: <https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/tiktok/>

Masses and Prayer Services

For the new term we will be having class Masses and Prayer service in school with Father Bernard. Each class will be allocated a time and the children will prepare the service or Mass based on their current learning in class.

We would like to welcome all parents to come and share these special times with us. Most will be at 2.30pm on a Tuesday during this term. An Arbor invitation will be sent to remind you when. Please see below a timetable for this term.

We look forward to seeing you joining us in these celebrations.

Prayer Service year 3	Tuesday 4 th February 2.30pm	Year 3
Class Mass year 5	Tuesday 11 th February 2.30pm	Year 5
Prayer Service Year 1	Tuesday 3 rd March 2.30pm	Year 1
Class Mass – year 6	Tuesday 17 th March 2.30pm	Year 6
Prayer Service year R	17 th March 1.45pm	Reception
Ash Wednesday	26 th February, 11am MASS	Whole School

Forest School

Please ensure that your child has old clothes and wellington boots with them on the required day.

Tuesday 4th February—Year 5

Tuesday 11th February—Year 4

Pupil of the Week—Well Done!



House Points

St Therese	-	227
St Francis	-	218
St Paul	-	251
St Anne Line	-	247
St Bernadette	-	230
St Thomas More	-	254

Well done to St Thomas More who won this week with 254 points!

Menu 3rd February: Also available daily: Jacket Potato & filling, wholemeal bread & salads

Week 3	Chicken and Bacon Pasta or
Monday:	Macaroni Cheese (V) with mixed salad
Tuesday:	Sticky Chicken or Sweet potato, lentil & spinach Dahl (V) served with rice and seasonal veg
Wednesday:	Savoury minced beef or Savoury Minced Quorn (V) in a Yorkshire pudding served with creamed potatoes and sliced carrots
Thursday:	Ashlyns Beef burger in a floured bun or Meat Free burger (V) served with potato wedges and baked beans
Friday:	Breaded fish fingers or Cheese & onion whirl (V) served with Oven Chips and Peas

Calendar Dates

February

4th—Year 3 Prayer service, 2.30pm
5th—Year 3 Victorian Day, St Alban's
10-14th—Aspirations Week
11th—Year 5 Class Mass, 2.30pm

Monday 17th -Friday 21st Feb Half Term

26th Ash Wednesday Mass
27th—St Anne Line Feast Day

March

3rd—Year 1 Prayer Service
5th— World Book Day
6th—Year 2 Class Assembly
12th—Year 2 Great Fire of London Workshop
17th—Reception Prayer Service 1.45pm
17th—Year 6 Class Mass, 2.30pm
20th—Year 1 Class Assembly

April

2nd April—Last day of term, 1pm finish

HARLOW TEKKERS FOOTBALL CLUB

HALF TERM CAMP

.Football
.Dodgeball
.Rounders
.Drawing
.Board Games
.And much more



Harlow Tekkers FC will be hosting a February half term camp. It will be a fun packed day full of games and laughter. We understand that not all children enjoy sports so we will have a dedicated area for drawing, board games or just chilling out with friends. Our camp will be on the astro and will only go indoors if it is raining.

Where to find us:
St Luke's Catholic Primary Academy
Pyenest Road
Harlow, Essex, CM19 4LU

You will find more info on our website:
www.harlowtekkersfc.co.uk

FEBRUARY 17th 18th 19th 20th 21st

.£10.00 per day: Discount for siblings

.09:00-15:00: KIDS WILL HAVE LUNCH AT 12:00

.UPFRONT PAYMENT: CASH OR PAYMENT LINK

.SCHOOL YEARS: RECEPTION & YEARS 1,2,3,4,5,6

.PLEASE BRING A PACKED LUNCH

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