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Our Gospel story on Sunday told us of the importance of always forgiving. The servant who was forgiven, did not forgive those who had done him harm, so he was punished. Our Lord reminds us however hard it may seem to keep forgiving the same person- we must do so; just like God continues to forgive us. As the children said the prayer the Our Father together we remembered this special message. *Mrs A M Kendal, Head of School* 

"Forgiveness is the cure that heals" **Pope Francis** 

## Pupil of the Week:

Pupils who gained a certificate this week are:

Reception - Erin

Year 1 – Cecila Year 2 – Joel Year 3 - Niamh Year 4 – Melissa Year 5 – Owen Year 6 – John-Isaac

<u>House Points:</u> Well done to **St Francis** this week's winners with **80** points!

St Bernadette –77 St Francis – 80 St Paul – 54 St Theresa – 74

St Thomas More – 75

St Anne Line – 68

Year 4 Resilience Workshop Year 4 were very lucky to have some great visitors last Friday who showed us all how to be more resilient. We learnt how to use freedom tapping and affirmations to help us to calm our bodies and minds. We learnt that it is important to talk to ourselves in a kind way and to believe in ourselves.

<u>Fitness week:</u> During National Fitness Week in Year 3 we had lots of fun. We danced to Lionel Richie 'All Night Long', we completed the Daily Mile every day and we had some fun races in our PE lesson. As a whole school we did a routine to the Fresh Prince of Bell-Air. By Mei Xin

Flu Immunisations: Last week you will have received an email with information on this and a Consent Form to complete. Deadline for consent forms is Wednesday 27th September.

Macmillan Cake Sale: The Mini-Vinnies will be holding a cake sale on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 3pm. This is to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support. See their amazing posters on their page St Luke's Catholic Academy - Mini-Vinnies

<u>E-Safety</u>: The '2 Johns' from E-Safety Training have been sharing a concern about an app designed for adults that is inappropriate for children to use though there seems to be an increase in children using it. To find out more about this app and the risks it poses, please follow this link.

<u>Change 4 Life Festival:</u> When we went to the sports event we played in the playground there for a while, and then we went on the pitch and did goalie football. We had to steal beanbags from the hoops and we had to throw beanbags in the hoops – Nella Y3

Alternative Childcare Arrangements: If your child is being collected by an adult not on your arbor list, please call the school office, so that we can make sure the children get home safely.

Please also inform the school office if a parent/guardian has a holiday planned and a different emergency contact is required during this period.

Harlow Juniors Music Club: A new club being run by Essex Music Hub has started on a Tuesday after school, see the poster for how to sign up. If your child is attending the club please give them a healthy snack (no nuts) to have after school and before the club starts.

<u>Headlice</u>: Please check your child's hair for headlice as we have had some reported cases. Please see the NHS advice on how to treat headlice <u>Head lice and nits - NHS (www.nhs.uk)</u>

## **Secondary Applications for September 2024:**

Year 7 applications for September 2024 are now open. Applications can be made online via Secondary school places - Essex County Council

Please note that for St. Mark's secondary school a SIF will need to be completed along side your Essex application. <u>St Marks-September 2024</u>.

<u>Dinner Menu:</u> Our school dinner menu can be located <u>here</u>. W/C 25<sup>th</sup> September will be week 2.

## **Upcoming Dates:**

Fri 29<sup>th</sup> September: Flu Immunisations

Reception to Y6

Fri 29<sup>th</sup> September: Macmillan Cake Sale

3.00pm

Tue 3<sup>rd</sup> October: Y3 Prayer Service 2.30pm Wed 4<sup>th</sup> October: Virtual Parent Online Safety

Workshop 8-9am

Mon 9th October: Y6 Residential

Please see the link for key dates within the
Autumn Term (updated weekly)
Key Dates: 2023-2024

## **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/

<u>Trust Vacancies</u>: The Trustees of Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Multi Academy Trust wish to appoint for the following vacancies within the

Trust.

	Position	Closing Date	School	Interview
				Date
	Midday	04/10/2023	St	TBC
	Assistant	- Midday	Alban's	
	Midday	04/10/2023 -	St Luke's	TBC
	Assistant	Midday		
	Cleaner	04/10/2023 -	St	TBC
		Midday	Alban's	

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