

Friday Flyer

25th October 2024

Headteacher Awards

Kindness - Messiah Denzel-Nhyiraba (Year 3) for being kind at lunchtimes with others.

Compassion - Amelia Noon (Year 5) for showing compassion towards others.





This week, we started off by staff training from OPAL, who trained all staff in play leading. As a school, we have provided the children with different items to play with during this week at lunchtimes - the children have thoroughly enjoyed this and made comments such as, 'It's the best playtime ever!', 'It was fun because I could listen to the music with the other children.' 'I liked how everyone was happy and there was lots to do.' Over the next half term, we will gradually introduce more items to support imaginative play, On Tuesday, the Year 3 children went to the Science Museum on the train & tube (as this is much more cost effective than a coach), I am pleased to hear that they enhanced their learning and were extremely well behaved. Thank you to the adults that helped with this trip. On Thursday, Ms McGonagle visited St Anne Line Infant School as part of our collaboration with other schools to share good practice. There have been a variety of sporting events this week - see Mrs Hillier's report. I am pleased to tell you that from January 2025, we will be offering an all-day provision for Pre-School children - further information will follow. I would like to thank you all for your continued support in moving the school forwards and doing things differently.

Have a lovely weekend and half term. Miss North

Catholic Life & Mission:

This week, the Year 6 leaders have been thinking about how the prayer space in the library can be developed further for next term. They have great plans for how to use this space to enable all children to be invited to use and enjoy. In school, we have been developing our Prayer & Liturgy offer so that we are in line with the Diocese expectations. Next Friday is All Saints day, which is a Holy Day of Obligation, so please try and attend Mass on this day. This week, we trialled a new way of running Debate Assembly using resources that create a debate and show how the different views relate to Scripture.

Think together and talk

- What music do you enjoy listening to or playing most?
- · How does it make you feel?
- Can you imagine not being able to share your favourite music with others?

Music is powerful and can have a huge impact on us. It has the power to affect our emotions and how we feel. In the Old Testament, a King named Saul is troubled with anxiety, sadness and anger. However, when David, a young shepherd boy, played the lyre (a stringed musical instrument), Saul felt better.





Terrific Teddy Award





All of Pre-School - a fantastic start to our year. The children have settled in well and made new friends. We look forward to another busy half term.

Harlan Pooley (Reception Class) - Harlan always remembers his helping hands and kinds words when he is playing and sharing games with his friends. Mrs Huish says well done!



Pot of Gold



Alfie Newman, Year 1 Alfie has had an amazing half term. He has settled so well into the Year 1 class routines. Well done, Alfie!

Eliza Newman, Year 2 for always being kind and caring to her friends. She works hard in all her lessons and is a great role model in Year 2. Well done.

The Whole Class, Year 3 Everyone showed exceptional behaviour on our school trip this week. We had a wonderful adventure into London and had lots of fun in the Science Museum. Well done to all of year 3. We are very proud!

Mila Taylor, Year 4 Mila has shown kindness and compassion when playing with different children this week. She is a wonderful role model both in our class and around the school.

Fisayomi Ijiwoye, **Year 5** for being extremely conscientious and always completing her work to a very high standard. She is also very kind to her friends and a fantastic role model to others. Well done, Fisayomi!

The Whole Class, Year 6 I can't believe that eight weeks have gone by so quickly, but I'm so impressed with the attitude and maturity you have all shown since starting year six. You have risen to the challenge with minimal fuss, and actually embraced it. Great things will happen this year if you keep this up. Well done!



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RE Branch One- Creation and Covenant

Year Two have explored the Old Testament story of Noah from the Book of Genesis. We looked at the covenant God made with Noah to save all living things, and used RE drama, extended writing and artwork to express our new learning.

We wrote our prayers to thank God our Creator and also to acknowledge times when we do more to take care of Gods wonderful world.

Our artwork depicts Noah's struggling to keep afloat during the forty days and nights of the great flood. The over-arching rainbow is a symbol of God's promise and of a new beginning for the world.



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Enjoy reading this Sunday's Gospel

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, there was a blind man, called Bartimaeus, sitting at the roadside begging. When Bartimaeus heard that it

was Jesus who was walking by, he began to shout, "Jesus, Son of David, have pity on me! Help me!" Some of the people in the crowd told him to be quiet, but he began to shout louder until Jesus heard him. Then Jesus stopped and said, "Call him here." So they said to the blind man, "Have courage! Get up! Jesus is calling you." The man threw off his cloak, jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus said, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said, "Master, let me see again." Then Jesus said to him, "Go! Your faith has saved you." And at once the man's sight returned and he followed Jesus along the road.



Please continue to pray for all those in our school community in need of our prayers.



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Please click on the links for more information

Independent Learning Dates	Class Assembly Dates TBC	What's on locally
Information for new devices	<u>Parents</u> <u>Newsletter</u>	Parental Controls and Managing TikTok
School Dinner Menu	After School Clubs	Academic Dates
Sports	St Joseph's	Christ The

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Parent Letters



Fixtures

TBC



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Letters



Highest

Attendance

The class with the highest attendance each week will be awarded the 'Attendance Cup'.

This week's League Table is:

Class	% Attendance
Reception	97.92
Year 1	97.89
Year 2	98.00
Year 3	98.24
Year 4	94.35
Year 5	97.35
Year 6	94.84
Whole School	96.79

This week's winners are:

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Girls Open Football Tournament



On Wednesday, a team of Year 6 pupils represented our school at the William de Ferrers School Sports Partnership Open Girls football tournament. The team of; Gracie, Bella, Sophia, Annabelle, Isobella, Ariel, Jessica and Amelia H played brilliantly in all of their matches in their pool, winning one game and losing two. The team showed great skill and teamwork throughout. They then played a final game against a team from the opposite pool of teams that finished in a 0-0 draw, meaning that the team finished joint fifth overall. Very well done girls, this is a fantastic achievement!

I would like to say a massive thank you to Mrs Money for willingly giving up her time to manage the team so brilliantly, thank you. Thank you also goes to Miss Moyce who also helped to supervise the team, thank you.

A final thank you also goes to all of the parents who came to support and encourage the team, thank you!

Mrs Hillier







SCHOOL

Small Schools Football Tournament

On Wednesday, two teams of Year 6 pupils represented our school at the Small Schools football tournament, organised by William de Ferrers. The teams of: Enoch, Barney, Jack, Finley, Charlie B, Max, Elliott, Joe, Lee, Charlie S, Alfie, Matthew, Nathaniel, Gracie, Bella and Sophia played brilliantly against one other school in the Partnership. Both teams again impressed with their footballing ability and teamwork, playing brilliantly together. One team finished in first place and will be representing St. Joseph's at the County Finals at Billericay Town Football Club in November, very well done, we wish you the best of luck! The other team finished in third place and also played extremely well. We are very proud of both teams, you were a credit to our school.

I would like to say a massive thank you to Mr Birch and Mr Spires for again giving up their time to run a training session for the teams on Wednesday afternoon and for managing the teams so ably on Thursday, thank you both so much. A big thank you also goes to Ms Minton and Mrs Banks for accompanying the teams.

Thank you also goes to all of the parents who came to support and encourage the teams, thank you! Mrs Hillier







Dear Parents,

We are excited to be starting launching our OPAL PLAY initiative which will enhance interaction and play at lunchtimes. We are asking parents to donate a range of items to help with this. If you can donate any of the items listed below, please send them into school from Monday 4th November.

Many thanks!

Mrs Hillier & Mrs Huish

Large bags with zips or fastening Hand bags baskets purses Suitcases Hats, summer or winter-ladies, men's, children's Men's jackets Waistcoats Scarves Fabric Shirts-ladies or men's









ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL





FRIDAY 15TH NOVEMBER

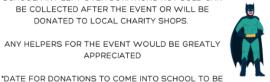


WE ARE LOOKING FOR DONATIONS OF THE FOLLOWING 8 WILL HAVE STOOLS IN THE MAIN HALL.

· TOYS · KIDS CLOTHES · BOOKS · JEWELLERY · CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS .



ALL MONEY MADE FROM DONATIONS WILL GO TO THE SCHOOL. ANY LEFT OVER DONATIONS NOT SOLD CAN BE COLLECTED AFTER THE EVENT OR WILL BE DONATED TO LOCAL CHARITY SHOPS.



ANY HELPERS FOR THE EVENT WOULD BE GREATL' APPRECIATED



CONFIRMED* MORE EVENT INFORMATION TO FOLLOW









Thank you to all the families who have contributed to our Harvest Collection. Representatives from the Chelmsford Food Bank collected seven heavy and full boxes this morning. These food and toiletry items will be available to families in need across the Chelmsford region.

"Love and charity, are service, helping others, serving others." Pope Francis 2017.







St Joseph's Catholic Primary School and Pre-School 2025

Ofsted Good Provider

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS NOW OPEN



SCHOOL TOURS

Wednesday 25th September **Tuesday 15th October Thursday 14th November** at 9:30am

INDIVIDUAL TOURS ALSO AVAILABLE



OUR FEATURES

- · Developing a love of learning.
- · Enrichment activities to support learning.
- · Caring, family feel.
- Forest School

MORE INFORMATION

- O 01245 321828
- admin@st-josephspri.essex.sch.uk
- Trinity Square, South Woodham Ferrers, Essex, CM3 5JX.











FAMILY FUN DURING OCTOBER HALF TERM



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0345 603 7635







Essex ActivAte is the name for the Holiday Activity and Food programme across Essex, run by Active Essex, Essex County Council and Thurrock Council, on behalf of the Department for Education. If you are eligible for Free School Meals, please click here for more information



Are you interested in being involved in a community group? Would you like to develop your own group and work in partnership with your local Family Hub? Please call Community Engagement Worker

Volunteering Opportunities

If you have skills or time to spare and would like to volunteer with us across various locations in Chelmsford, please contact Pat Borg 07814176544 pat.borg@barnardos.org.uk who would be happy to discuss opportunities with you.

Early Support

We have staff available Monday — Friday who can provide advice and support to families in our local community. We can also assist with 2-year funding applications for childcare.

Drop in Self weigh

An opportunity for you to 'drop in' to our hubs and weigh your babylchild – no need to book an appointment. A member of the team will be available for support if needed.

Community Self weigh (weekdays only 9-5pm)

An opportunity for you to 'drop in' to Chelmsford Library CM1 1QH, and independently weigh your babyichid – no need to book an appointment. For follow up support please call us on 0300 2470014.

Developmental Reviews

All children will be offered a 9-12 month and a 2 ½ - 3-year development review. You will be contacted to book this appointment. If you have any concerns about your child's development, then please contact us.

t: 0300 2470014

w: www.essexfamil/wellbeing.co.uk

fb: Chelmsford Child and Family Wellbeing Service

Monday



Essex Child and Family
Wellbeing Service
Believe in children
Barnardo's

Chelmsford West - Monday to Friday 9am - 5pm

Chetwood – Monday 9am-5pm, Wednesday 9am-12.30pm and Thursday 9am – 5pm

Welcome to your local family hub, where you can access free, friend and high-quality health services in your community, school, online or family home. We offer a variety of sessions to support your child's development and build strong parent-child relationships.

Family Hubs ensure that children, young people and families (0-19 years or up to 25 years if SEND) can access integrated early support. We provide a one-stop shop of family support services for your mental and physical health plus your educational and social care needs. Our partner agencies include midwifes, GP's, CAMHS and local community groups.

The focus of our service is making sure that everyone in Essex has the best possible start in life through meeting the identified needs of children young people and families.

Chelmsford West Family Hub Delivery Site Dixon Avenue Chelmsford CM1 2AQ

Chetwood Family Hub Delivery

Shirebourn Vale
Off Gandalf's Ride
South Woodham Ferrers
CM3 5ZX





Thursday



Big Sister Project for all Maldon **Schools**

Places Leisure are running the Big <u>Sister Project</u> at Blackwater Leisure Centre in Maldon. They are offering a free membership to those on free school meals, and a 50% discount for everyone else. The project is for girls aged 9 to 15 years old. membership includes access to We classes on a Tuesday between 5pm and 6pm, as well as gym and swim lessons.

Drop in self weigh – no need to book 9.30am – 4pm Chelmsford West Family Hub and Chetwood Delivery Site

An opportunity for you to 'droj in' to Chelmsford Library CM1 1QH, and independently weigh your babylchild – no need to book an appointment For follow up support please call us on 0300 2470014.

Home-Start Family Group contact 01245 847410 Or v.home-startessex.org.uk sions available across the district.

Infant Feeding Support (Virtual session) 10am-11.30am support and information on feeding your baby -stfeeding, formula feeding in mbi-feeding. Please call to book.

Tuesday

Drop in self weigh – no need to book 9.30am – 4pm Chelmsford West Family Hub

Introducing Solids
1 pm-3 pm
(Bookable 1 Week Workshop—
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Chelmsford West Family Hub
Support and advice on
introducing solid food to your
baby

Look out Wellies in the Wood" ions- coming soon to Chelmsford!

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Ready Steady 1's/2's 10am – 11.30am Chelmsford West Family Hub (by invite only following review upport learning and developmen olds and promote school readin 2–3-year-olds.

Talk Together
(Virtual 3-week workshop)
10am-11.30am
port for 18-30-month-old children with
r early language development. Call for
further advice and to book.

'Say Hi Baby &
Infant Feeding Support – Drop in
1 pm – 2.30pm
Chelmsford West Family Hub
poin peer group for parents/carers with
0-12 month olds plus support and
information on feeding your baby sastfeeding, formula feeding or combifeeding.

Typical Toddler Behaviour (Virtual

Friday

'Say Hi Toddler'
10am – 11.30am
Chelmsford West Family
Hub
Drop-in peer group for
arents/carers and children
aged 1–4 years old

(Virtual workshop)
1 pm-2pm
1st Friday of the month
Session to support you as
you encourage your child to
aern this self-care skill and to
promote independence.
Please call us to book.

Please call our Single Point of Contact (SPOC) on 0300 2470014 for all enquiries and to book.



October Dates

Monday 28th October-Friday 1st November
Half Term



November Dates

- 4 Bradwell meeting for parents and Year 5 pupils at 3.30pm
- Parent Meetings Year 3&4 1pm-3pm
 Parent Meetings Year 5 1pm-5pm
- Parent Meetings Reception, Year 2-6 3.45-6pm
- 13 Parent Meetings Year 1 1pm-5pm
- 14 School tours for Reception 2025
 Parent Meetings Reception, Year 2-6
 5pm-8pm
- 15 PTA Bootsale
- 27 Year 4 trip to Southend Museum
- 29 Whole School Panto











Secondary School Applications

As you may be aware, the statutory closing date for applications from parents of Year 6 children (for a secondary school place in Year 7 from September 2025) is **31 October 2024**.

If you are yet to submit an application, you must do so by 31 October 2024. Any applications made late are dealt with after those made on time and so applying late reduces the chances of being offered a preferred school.

Applications can be made via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions.



Brentwood Catholic Children's Society Charity Christmas Cards are now available to purchase. Click here for an order form or alternatively you can order and pay via their website here:

https://www.bccs.org.uk/christmas/christmas-cards/

