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"May the Holy Spirit make us grow constantly in knowledge of God so that we might spread His love and His truth in the world." - Pope Francis

Farewell Mrs Ayres – We wish Mrs Ayres well as she leaves us to spend more time looking after her little ones. We thank her for the time spent with us and the great love she has shown the children.

Arbor If you cannot log in to Arbor please call the school office to get reconnected as this is how all our messages are sent out. Please check your child's Arbor accounts and ensure all payments are up to date. Please be reminded that Breakfast Club, Afterschool Club and School Dinner payments should all be in credit balances. Thank-you for your support.

Online Safety: www.youtubekids.com
YouTube is for adults (13+), not children. We do not advocate children accessing Youtube – it has a 13+ rating and Netaware score it quite low for appropriate content. Have you heard of You Tube Kids? Netaware approved. If you do want to allow your child to watch videos then using www.youtubekids.com gives you more control over what videos can be watched. To read more, click this link to [Netaware's page on Youtube Kids](#)

Pupil of the Week: Pupils who gained a certificate this week are:

- Reception – Justina
- Year 1 – Archie
- Year 2 – Telcie
- Year 3 – Franklin
- Year 4 – Daniel
- Year 5 – Patryk & Jeffrey
- Year 6 – Taylor



House Points:

- Well Done to **St Francis!**
- St Bernadette** – 202
- St Francis** – 289
- St Paul** – 265
- St Theresa** – 271
- St Thomas More** – 276
- St Anne Line** – 230

Pre-School Applications: If you require a pre-school place for your child please complete an application form available on the school [website](#).

Parent information Meeting- After half term our new PSHE topic " Changing Me" begins. This covers, in an age appropriate way, the changes we experience as we grow up. As a catholic school we deliver this programme incorporating the diocesan approved scheme Journey in Love. If you would like to find out further information on how and what we teach we are holding a virtual parent session on Wednesday 9th June at 9.30am and 1pm. A link will be sent to all families in the first week back for you to attend.

Book mark Buddies

As an end to our PSHE topic we have all made Book Mark Buddies! Do have a look at our website to see how really brilliant they are. Following quarantining these were delivered to a buddy class this week and every child will have a special book mark to use in their reading book from now onwards. Later in the summer when restrictions are lifted we are hoping the book mark buddies can reveal who made the book marks and share some book reading time together!

Mark Mission 10 deliver Gospel Assemblies with readings and worship to listen to at home. Our Pentecost episode is now ready and available on our website. [Series Five - Jesus is Alive! — The Mark 10 Mission.](#)

ALDI Lorry Design Competition - Details are attached for a competition being held to design a healthy eating picture on the side of an Aldi lorry. If your child wishes to enter the competition please send entries directly to info@getseteatfresh.co.uk
Or by post to: The Education Company, Denne Court, Oad Street, Hengist Field, Borden, Kent ME9 8LT

After half term some paper copies of the template may be collected on the gate if needed. The closing date is **25th June 21**

School photos: Individual and class photos have been booked for **Wednesday 23rd June.**

Government Guidance: Some of the restrictions on what you can and cannot do has changed recently. However, many restrictions remain in place. Keep up to date with the latest guidance [here](#) and on foreign travel restriction guidance [here](#).

Essex Activate: Active Essex is offering a range of ActiveAte clubs over the half term. More information and booking details can be found [here](#).

EssexConnects: Visit the [website](#) to find local activities and help you get in touch with hundreds of local charities, voluntary groups and community sector services.





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Upcoming Dates:

Fri 16th July Last Day of Term - Term ends at 1pm

Please note: A great deal of thought has gone into organising our events for Summer 2 – However the uncertainties regarding restrictions remain:

31st May – 4th June - Half Term

7th June – All children back to school

Friday 18th June St Alban's Day Mass, a special menu dinner and a games afternoon. The theme for the day - inspired by St Alban's actions - is 'Thinking of Others'. This will be the first Mass we have been able to celebrate together in the Church as a school – (School students and staff only.)

Save the Date –

Strawberry Tea - We are mindful that we wish to celebrate with families too. If restrictions allow, then each class from yR to y5 will have a Strawberry Tea after school **3.25-4pm** (y6 will celebrate with families at their leavers service)

Thurs 24th June y1

Fri 25th June y2

Mon 28th June y4

Tues 29th June y5

Weds 30th June yR and y3



Year 5 and 6 End of Year Production -

Tuesday 6th July -we do not yet know if we will be able to have a live audience for this (a recording will be made if not) however, if we are able to the date will be

Other dates:

Tues 29th June St Peter and Paul Mass (virtual)

Thurs 1st July Transition Day for whole school

