



On Our Lady of Fatima Feast day we have celebrated through Mass with Fr Bogdan, the Rosary (led by Chaplaincy Team members in each class) and learning more about Mary's messages to the children Lucia, Francisco and Jacinta. The children have made sun-catchers celebrating the Miracle of the Sun and flowers for Our Lady of Fatima, as well as having a special treat too. It was also a lovely opportunity for the Chaplaincy Team members of St Alban's and St Luke's to meet together again.

As Our Lady of Fatima revealed herself to the three children as Our Lady of the Rosary, we have been saying the rosary together each Wednesday and it was lovely to see so many students bring their rosary with them this week.

Mrs A M Black, Head of School

"Let us learn to live with kindness, to love everyone." - Pope Francis

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

Year R - Kuba

Year 1 - Ella Year 4 - Lois

Year 2 - Elaina Year 5 - Serena

Year 3 - Alicia Year 6 - Whole Class



House Points: Well done to our joint winners this week **St Bernadette** and **St Thomas More**!

St Bernadette – 128 points
St Francis – 104 points
St Paul – 116 points
St Theresa – 124 points
St Thomas More – 128 points
St Anne Line – 127 points



Rosary in May

We will be praying the Rosary together in May on Wednesday mornings. Parents are welcome to join us – please come to the main office at 8.55am. **Students are encouraged to bring a rosary in on Wednesdays.**

SATs Well done to all our Year 6 children who have sat the SATs. We know that our children have been blessed with many talents and skills the SATs cannot test. We are proud of all their achievement, not just the 'tested' ones.

The Queens Platinum Jubilee School

Celebration Please ensure you have completed your child's [lunch selection](#) on the link provided before **Monday's 16th May 10am deadline** – this will be the only option available from the kitchen on Tuesday 24th May.

Chickenpox Guidance: We currently have chickenpox within our school community. Any child with chickenpox needs to remain at home until all the spots have formed a scab. Further information and guidance can be found [here](#).

Playground Equipment: Children are not permitted to use the school play equipment before or after school.

Clubs: Please note there are no school led clubs running on **Monday 16th May 2022**.

Packed Lunches: While encouraging our students to make healthy choices we expect children who have a packed lunch to reflect this. Therefore, chocolate bars, fast food, sweets and fizzy drinks must not be brought into school for lunch or snack. Please remember we are a nut free school (peanut butter and Nutella contain nut extract).

Mental Health Awareness Week has been focused on Loneliness. According to [Mind](#), loneliness is the feeling we get when our need for rewarding social contact and relationships is not met. **Community Embrace UK** monthly coffee engagements have returned with their next session on Saturday 28th May aimed at supporting Social Inclusion, Loneliness & Mental Health, **please see attached poster**.

Love Your Library Day Jubilee Special You are royally invited to Mark Hall Library on Saturday 28th May for a Love Your Library Day Jubilee Special. Jubilee-themed activities for children will include:

- Storytime at 10:30am
- Fun crafts and activities throughout the day

The Essex Year of Reading app: Don't forget you can use the free digital library to enjoy immersive audio readings, animations, quizzes and download texts to read offline anytime, anywhere, more information available [here](#).

ACL Community and Family Learning All the latest courses to support parents, grandparents, carers and anyone supporting young people in Essex can be found [here](#).

Dinner Menu: Our Summer Term dinner menu can be located [here](#), next week we'll be on Week 2 (w/c Monday 16th May). Please do talk with your child about their dinner choices for each day as enough portions are made for those who have ordered so changes are hard to accommodate.

Harlow Playhouse & Harlow Council [story-trail in Harlow Town Centre](#) runs from April 30th until June 12th, as part of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Competition colouring sheets are again attached and need uploading [here](#) by June 12th.

Vaccination of 5–11-year-olds: Parents and carers of all 5 to 11 year olds are now able to book a COVID-19 vaccination for their child. The national booking service opened on **Saturday 2 April 2022**. To book a COVID vaccination for all eligible age groups please visit the [NHS national booking service](#) or dial 119.

COVID-19 continues to be a virus that [we learn to live with](#) and the imperative to reduce the disruption to children and young people's education remains.

Gate Opening Times:

8:40am – 8.55am - after this time your child will be marked as late.
3.15pm – End of the school day

Mass Times:

Usual Sunday Mass times are 10am and 6pm
<http://www.catholicchurchoftheassumption.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/>

Upcoming Dates:

Thursdays EYFS, KS1 and KS2 PE (PE kit reqd)

Fri 20 th May	Year 3 Class Assembly 9.10am (Year 3 parents welcome)
Tues 24 th May	The Queens Platinum Jubilee School Celebration (non uniform; red/white/blue)
Thurs 26 th May	Sports Day
Fri 27 th May	3.15pm finish for half term
Weds 8 th June	All children return to school
Thurs 9 th June	Year 6 Walsingham House
Fri 10 th June	Year 5 Gibberd Garden Trip
Thurs 16 th June	Year 6 Bikeability – Course 1
Fri 17 th June	Year 6 Bikeability – Course 1
Mon 20 th June	St Alban's Day
Friday 24 th June	Year 4 Class Assembly 9.10am (Year 4 parents welcome)

