



We have celebrated Our Lady of Fatima's Feast Day in school today with a special assembly (the actual Feast day is tomorrow).

We shared Our Lady of Fatima's message to the three children she appeared to, Lucia, Jacinta and Francisco, to pray the Rosary. We thought about times when we may do this also. Year 5 have continued to lead the Whole School Rosary on Wednesdays beautifully.

Mrs A M Black, Head of School

"Let us always look at young people with a smile. They carry on what we have sown."
Pope Francis

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

- Year R – Jemimah
- Year 1 – Lia
- Year 2 – Rachu
- Year 3 - Rhys
- Year 4 – Alicia
- Year 5 – (next week)
- Year 6 – Whole Class



House Points: Well done to **St Thomas More** this week's winners!

- St Bernadette** – 109 points
- St Francis** – 115 points
- St Paul** – 112 points
- St Theresa** – 114 points
- St Thomas More** – 128 points
- St Anne Line** – 94 points



Catholic Community

Bishop Alan is seeking to hear from as many Catholics as possible in our Diocese who no longer come to Church for whatever reason. Please see the attached leaflet and follow the link if you wish to respond. You may also invite others you know to respond too. Thank you.

'The Priests' Charity Concert: Brentwood Catholic Children's Society are delighted to announce that the Northern Irish classical singing trio 'The Priests' have agreed to hold a second charity concert on Friday 30th June 2023 at the Brentwood Cathedral at 7.30pm. All tickets can be purchased directly through [Eventbrite](#).

Tech Tips

Messaging & Video apps: Use the link for advice on the messaging and video apps that let you send messages, share photos and make videos or voice calls from The Two Johns. [esafetytraining-parents/carers-area/messaging-video-apps](https://www.esafetytraining-parents/carers-area/messaging-video-apps)

Charity News

CAFOD Club are pleased to announce **£78.30** was raised from their Penny Drive. CAFOD club would like to thank everyone for your support, a small amount can make a huge difference.

Coronation Day and Bake Sale: Thank-you to everyone for helping make these events successful. A total of **£188.73** has been raised.

Latest

Ascension Day
Students will be sharing in Mass on Thursday. All children YR-Y6 will join the Parish Mass at 9.30am - parents and parishioners can join in this Mass.

RSE Parent Meeting: If you would like to find out further information on how and what we teach we are holding a **virtual parent session on Thursday 25th May at 5pm**. Links to the virtual meeting can be found in the e-mail sent to parents on 2nd May 2023.

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.

Dinner Day: Thursday 18th May is the School try a dinner day. Please encourage your child to try a school dinner on this day, remember, school meals are delicious and nutritious at just £2.35 for KS2 children. Our menu for this day is:

Beef Bolognese served with Pasta Quills & Carrots

Vegetable & Lentil Bolognese served with Pasta Quills & Carrots

Jacket Potato served with Cheese, Beans or Tuna toppings
Salad Bar also available

Fresh Fruit/ Yoghurt / Frozen Yoghurt

Community

After School Welcomes at Harlow Library: The next session is **Wednesday 17th May 15:30-17:15**. Information and bookings available [here](#).

Family Storytime: Harlow Town Library are holding a family Storytime session on **Saturday 13th May 11am-11.30am**. Join them for themed stories and crafts suitable for younger and older children. No booking required.

Health and Wellbeing: ACL Essex offers a huge range of [free mental health and wellbeing courses](#) including:

- building self confidence
- goal setting for wellbeing
- managing anxiety
- managing sleep for wellbeing
- positive thinking for stress reduction
- self-care for carers

School Life

Dinner Menu: Our school dinner menu can be located [here](#) on the website. Next week we will be on week 2 (w/c Monday 15th May).

Term Dates: School term 2022-2023 dates are available on the [school website](#).

Key Dates: Please remember to keep check of the upcoming dates link in this newsletter which advises dates for all the key events we have planned for this academic year. [Click here for St Alban's Key Dates 22-23](#)

Gate Opening Times:
8:40am – 8.55am - After this time, your child will be marked as late.
3.05pm – Pre School sessions finish
3.15pm – End of the school day

Mass Times:
Old Harlow - **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/>

