



The children learnt about the Trinity in assembly this week and about how this can help us to keep hoping – for love, peace and kindness to be shared all over the world. I share with you also Pope Francis prayer Intention this month which is for families: We pray for Christian families around the world, may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives.

Congratulations to Jake, Harry and Sophia who made their First Holy Communion on a beautifully sunny day last Sunday. This completes the First Holy Communion programmes for this year. If you would like your child to make theirs next year, the programmes will re-open for registration in September, through the Parish Priests, for those in year 3 or above.

**Mrs A M Black, Head of School**

*"A healthy family life requires frequent use of three phrases: "May I? Thank you, and I'm sorry" and never, never, never end the day without making peace."*

**Pope Francis**

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

Year R – Thobith  
Year 1 – Admirer  
Year 2 – Katherine  
Year 3 – Archie and Jackson  
Year 4 – Eliza  
Year 5 – Alexius and Blessy  
Year 6 – Serena and Kacper



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

St Bernadette – 185 points  
St Francis – 177 points  
St Paul – 224 points  
St Theresa – 172 points  
St Thomas More – 215 points  
St Anne Line – 251 points



### Tech Tips

**Digital Wellbeing:** Following on from our digital wellbeing support before half term please find a link to ["The 2 Johns' eSafetyTraining"](#) on affects of digital gaming.

### Latest

**Guidance for Hot Weather:** The weather is forecast to be sunny and hot next week. Shaded areas are available for pupils on the playground. Staff are mindful about the length of time children will be exposed to direct sunshine. Hats are recommended and it's the parent's responsibility to provide these for children (please ensure they are labelled). Any sun cream should be applied by parents before school. No sunglasses are allowed unless required by doctor's recommendation.



**RSE Parent Meeting:** Thank you to the parents who attended our online RSE meeting before the half term break. If you missed this a recording can be requested by contacting the school office. We will be covering our Changing Me Topic in our PSHE curriculum. This incorporates the diocesan Journey in Love Programme. Do speak to a member of staff if you have any questions.

**Free School Meals:** Automatic entitlement to free school meals finishes at the end of Year 2 and only children from low income families are eligible from Year 3. An application for your child to receive a free school meal must be made [here](#) or by calling 0345 603 2200.

**Shinseikyu Karate Academy:** Our Year 1 class enjoyed a trial karate class in their PE lesson this week. Afterschool classes are held at St Alban's for students from Year 2 onwards.

**Essex Police Roadshow:** Our Year 6 children will be participating in some sessions of the Essex Police Positive Action Roadshow next week.

**School Website:** Please do remember to regularly check your [child's class page](#) and the [school website](#) for all the latest news on what our children have been up to.

### Medical

**Child Health Matters:** Our local NHS has created a free [Childrens Health Matters guide](#) for parents and carers. It aims to support parents and carers to look after their children's health and recognise when they are unwell. It explains how to treat children at home, when to see a GP or call 111, and when you should seek emergency help.

### Community

**The Great Get Together Family Fun Day** is on Saturday 24th June, 11am-3pm in the Bandstand area of Harlow Town Park. This event is part of the Great Get Together inspired by Jo Cox.

**After School Welcomes at Harlow Library:** The next session is **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June 15:30-17:15**. Information and bookings available [here](#).

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

### Catholic Community

**'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](#).

### 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 12<sup>th</sup> June).

**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/>

