



St Helen's Catholic Infant and Nursery School

Newsletter

Friday 27th February 2026



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Prayer of the Week: Class 1Mc

Heavenly Father

Please help us to keep our Lenten promises.
Help us to not be tempted to do the wrong thing.

Amen

With Jesus alive in our hearts, we celebrate each other and learn together as a family.

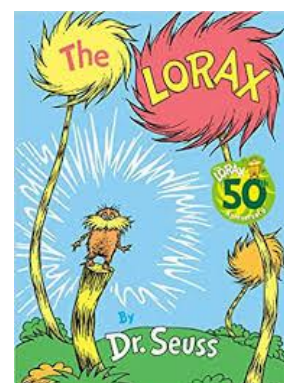
**Best Attendance:
Class RR – 98%**

**Whole School Attendance:
96%**

Dear families,

Our theme this year is 'Looking after our world' based on the 'The Lorax' by Dr Seuss. The book is celebrated for its fun rhymes and crucial environmental message about saving trees and the planet.

On Thursday 5th March 2026 children are encouraged to come to school **wearing an outfit linked to 'The Lorax' or saving the planet**. For example, something **orange** like the Lorax, something colourful to match the Truffala trees or a costume linked to saving the planet like a conservationist. You do not need to buy any new items of clothing for this day.



St Helen's Catholic Infant and Nursery School: Nursery Applications 2026-27

The nursery admission round is now open for parents of children to apply for a nursery place for the academic year that starts in September 2026. The application form is available on the school website and applications must be made directly to the school. The closing date for applications is: 20th March 2026.

Nursery: Amazon Wishlist

If you would like to show your support by purchasing a resource for the nursery, the link to the list is:

https://www.amazon.co.uk/registries/gl/owner-view/CE4GY31VU4JM?ref=gr_universal_landing_ggr



St Helen's Catholic Infant and Nursery School Vacancy:

Kitchen Assistant: 11.30am – 1.30pm (term-time only)

We are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic and well-motivated person to join our staff as soon as possible 2026. Please contact the school office for further information and an application pack: office@st-helens-inf.essex.sch.uk

Deadline: Monday 9th March 2026

This Week's Awards

Stars of the Week		
Reception Class RS - Zariah Class RR - Jones	Year 1 Class 1Mc - Matilda Class 1A - Kira	Year 2 Class 2S - Rory Class 2B - Henry
House	This Week	This Term
St Bernadette	221	1034
St Clare	206	**1061**
St Francis	192	1060
St Martin	185	1056

Safeguarding Update

The **report harmful content button** is a new and ground-breaking process of helping users report legal but harmful content wherever they go. This button is now available on the school website for parents/carers: [Key Information – Safeguarding – Online Safety Support for Parents and Carers](#).

If you have any safeguarding concerns, please contact:

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs C. Morris (Deputy Headteacher)
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Ms A. McAuliffe (Headteacher)
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs J. Seaman (EYFS Leader)



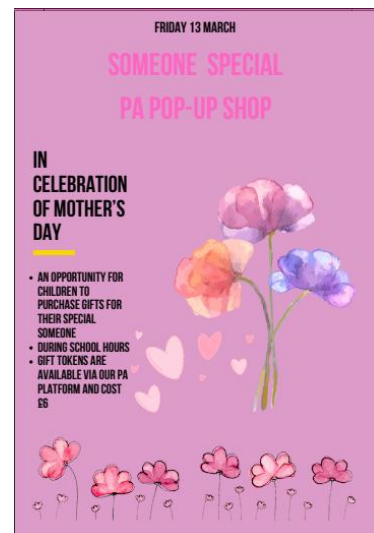
PA News

Mother's Day Sale: Friday 13th March 2026



The PA are opening their pop-up shop for children to buy a gift for their Mum or someone special on Friday 13th March. Tokens can be purchased on the PA platform here [MOTHERS DAY TOKEN](#) Your child will be able to exchange each purchased token for a wrapped gift (please make sure you put the correct class as tokens will be allocated to teachers). Please note this event is entirely optional and will be handled sensitively.

No cash on the day as we will only have gifts for those that have pre purchased.



Boxes of Tissues



We are now at the time of year where lots of children are catching colds and coughs. We ask every child to donate a box of tissues to their class to reduce the risk of germs spreading. Thank you in advance for your support.

Reminders

- The school dinner menu next week is week 2

Diary Dates

- **Thursday 5th March:** World Book Day
- **Monday 9th March:** British Science Week
- **Wednesday 11th March:** Y1 Trip to Barleylands
- **Friday 13th March:** Mother's Day Pop Up Sale (PA Event)
- **Friday 20th March:** Glee Club Trip to Parish Hall
- **Friday 27th March:** Easter Egg Hunt (PA Event)
- **Friday 27th March 3.15pm:** School closes for Easter holidays
- **Monday 13th April:** Children return to school



Essex County Council Education

Nominate us!

If you think our school, or someone who works in our school is worth celebrating, please nominate us for the Essex Teaching Awards!

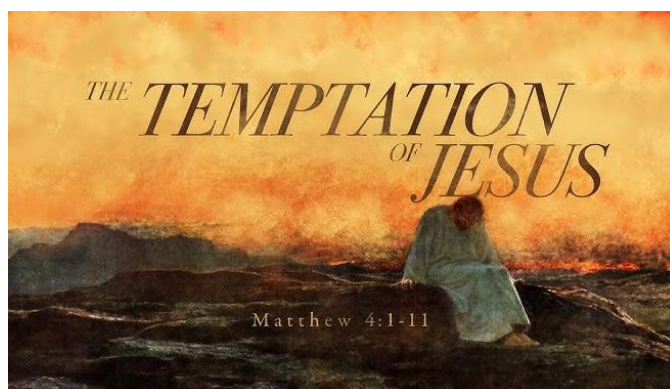
Essex Teaching Awards 2026

www.essex.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/essex-teaching-awards

God Bless all our families,

Ms A. McAuliffe

Headteacher



Artsmark Silver Award
Awarded by Arts Council England

