



St Albert's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter Friday, 04 September 2015

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Welcome back!

Welcome back to the start of the Autumn term. I hope you all had a thoroughly enjoyable summer holiday and are looking forward to the term ahead. As per usual, we will be very busy with lots of learning and wonderful opportunities for all.

Coffee mornings

These will be held next week for all classes and it is an opportunity for you to meet your child's new teacher, to learn about the curriculum for the year and to learn about the expectations for that year. It is an important meeting as it will help you and your child to settle into the new year. Hopefully we will see many of you there. If you are unable to make it we will send detailed information home.

New teachers



We welcome various new members of staff this week and I am sure that they will receive a very warm welcome from us all. They are Miss Roberts (year 1), Mr Breen (year 4) and Mr Power (whole school). We also welcome Mrs

Delahunty as an additional Learning Mentor, Miss Jones as support for children with SEN and Miss Holmes (nursery TA) who is covering whilst Miss Abbott is on Maternity leave.

Welcome Back Mass

Our Welcome Back Mass will take place on Monday Fr. David is coming into school to take the mass. He will be welcoming everyone back to start the new school year.

Welcome to new children and Reception class

We would like to welcome two new children into our school we hope they both settle in well! Also welcoming our new reception class who are all settling into their new class nicely.

Nursery and Alby Tots- open Monday

Our Nursery and Alby Tots classes will be returning to school on Monday, we hope both classes enjoy being back to school.

SDP

The school development plan will be shared with you all fully in the coffee morning. Please however find below a summary so that you are aware of our aims for the coming year.

Results Summary

- Reception Good Level of Development is 60%
- Phonics Year 1 - 85% (above National Average)
- Year 2 Re sit – 89% (above National Average)

Year 6	L4	L5	Year 2	L2	L3
Reading	92%	33%	Reading	93%	40%
Writing	92%	58%	Writing	87%	13%
Maths	100%	33%	Maths	100%	30%
SPAG	75%	33%			

We are very pleased with all our results. The children and staff continue to work very hard and parents are very supportive. In most areas we are at or above National Average and we compare favourably to local schools. We will be working on improving SPAG (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) and higher achievers next year. Please see the website for more detailed results.

Longest Reigning Monarch

As part of our studies in British Values we will have a whole school mini-topic next week on Queen Elizabeth II. Please discuss this with your child.

Summer Challenge

We have 13 children who have completed our Summer Challenge (see school website) and they were awarded with their Summer Backpacks in Assembly yesterday. They have made a wonderful start to the year and have shown very positive attitudes.

Congratulations and well done!

We are extending the finish date to Monday next week as some children are part way through the project.

Please encourage your child to get involved.

Toast – Helper

If you have a spare half an hour from 10am-10:30am each day to make toast for tuck, please get in touch with Mrs Hassell Richardson.



Free School Meals for all Infants

Please remember that due to Government funding, all children from Reception to Year 2 classes are now entitled to free school meals. Please make sure you take advantage of this offer.

School Prospectus

On Wednesday next week, we will be having photographs taken throughout school for our new school prospectus. Please ensure children are smartly dressed in full uniform with PE kits, to ensure we make a good impression. If you do not wish your child to take part, please let their teacher know

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Lining Up

Please ensure that your child lines up with the class on the playground once the bell has rung. We have a number of parents who are keeping their children with them and waiting outside classrooms. Children may be classed as late if they are not in the line. We discourage parents from waiting outside the classrooms because it is a health and safety issue.

Afterschool activities

our afterschool activities will commence shortly (wb 14/07/15) and will run from 3:15 - 4pm with a £1 donation to cover costs. A permission slip/ expression of interest will be sent out shortly as numbers may be restricted.

Monday - Games with Richie

Tuesday - football with Mr Powell

Wednesday - Dance with Lord Derby

Thursday - Gym with Outside Provider

Friday - LFC

We also have a number of alternative clubs which will be on offer this year.

Tuesday - Art and Spanish Clubs

Wednesday - Cross Country and Phonic clubs

Thursday - Choir

Friday - Homework Club tbc

Happy Birthday:

Kinga - 4 Millie May - 5 Francis - 5
Brody - 5 Riley - 5 Munashe - 4
Luke - 5 Ruby - 6 Freya - 6
Alexander - 6 Godswill - 6 Brooke - 7
Dylan - 8
Gloria - 8



Uniform

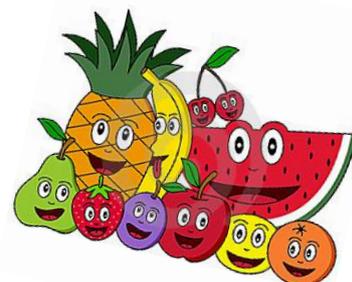
The children returned to school very smartly dressed and I would like to thank parents in supporting us in ensuring that children are in full uniform. Black school shoes are a must for everyone.

Healthy Eating Schools

Tuck -

St. Albert's offers children from year 2 onwards tuck at break time each day. Our tuck is healthy and nutritious.

The options are; wholemeal toast, a variety of fruit or yogurts. Tuck is 20p per item and children can have up to two items per day. At least one of the options will be a piece of fruit. If you wish your child to be given tuck each day, please ensure you give them the correct amount for each day.



Lunch Boxes-

At St. Albert's, we want to ensure that our children are fit and healthy. We encourage our children to exercise often and eat healthy food and snacks. We have been looking at our children's lunch boxes and would ask parents to ensure that their lunches are healthy and nutritious. Children will not be allowed chocolate, fizzy drinks or sweets. A healthy lunch box should consist of foods like sandwiches, meat/cheese snack packs, fruit, yogurts (the type that you can drink are best), flavoured or plain water or fruit juice. We are asking parents to support our school to help children stay healthy.