



# St Albert's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter Friday, 18 June 2021

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## Classes for September 2021

We are already preparing for September and the move to new classes, we also have 2 transition days scheduled in this term. These are an opportunity for all children to spend the day with their new class teachers in their new classrooms and always help in preparing the children. There are some slight changes to staffing for September so please see below -

- Alby Tots - Miss Lee and Mrs Donnelly
- Nursery - Miss Prior and Miss McDonnell
- Rec - Miss Newton and Mrs Cahill
- Year 1 - Miss Boyles and Mrs Rossiter
- Year 2 - Miss Barker and Miss Tynan
- Year 3 - Mr Breen and Miss Rimmer
- Year 4 - Mr Powell, Miss Michaels and Miss Ramsey
- Year 5 - Mr Shelton, Mrs Mailey and Mrs Woods
- Year 6 - Miss Ashdown and Mrs Riley

## The Farm comes to St Albert's

This year, for various reasons, we have organised a 'stay in school treat' for children instead of school trips. This will take place on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> June and we are excited to announce that the Farm will be coming to St



Albert's. The cost of the event will be subsidised by school but we do need each child to bring a contribution of £3 towards this. I am sure that you will appreciate that this is much cheaper than usual end of year trips which can cost up to £15. The farm will be set up on the school field and there will be a lot of animals for the children to enjoy. (donkey, sheep, calf, goats, chickens, pigs etc). We will have a picnic lunch and lolly ices so we are sure everyone will have a fun day.

A letter was sent home this week and we need parents to return permission slips and donations so that we can continue organising this.

## Twig Twisters

This week we worked with Twig Twisters to update our mission figures which are in our school entrance. The children worked hard on sculpting figures out of willow to depict the message of mission to LOVE, LEARN and SERVE. We are delighted with the end result and as an additional extra we were also able to model St Albert who now stands proudly at our school entrance. He is holding a globe and has butterflies and dragons flies around him to depict his love of science and learning. Well done to everyone involved. Our mission has been particularly important to us throughout the pandemic and the children have had a real opportunity to deepen their understanding what to SERVE means to us individually, to our community and to the world.

## Sports' Day

We had a marvellous day today for Sports' Day, although we did miss our parents. It was great that the children got to experience Sports' Day as this was cancelled last year and possibly rained off the year before. The sun was shining today and everyone had a great time with lots of our children excelling in the events. Well done to everyone and a special thankyou to Mr Powell and Mr Wood for organising.

## Changes to Year 6

Unfortunately, as predicted, our plans for our end of Year 6 celebrations needed to be reviewed as a result of the changes to the COVID roadmap that the Prime Minister recently announced, our school risk assessments and advice from our Safety Officer. A letter was sent home to parents this week and the main changes were to the number of guests who can attend the Leavers' Play (now 2 per child) and to the leavers' assembly which is now going to be shared via zoom. Unfortunately, I have had further advice today and there are very likely to be further changes to the play and possibly school trips. This is very frustrating, but changes are happening by the minute. As always, we will keep you fully informed once decisions have been confirmed.

We apologise for this, but safety must come first.

## New Reception Starters in September (not in St Albert's Nursery)

Unfortunately, as explained to all parents via a letter sent home and discussed at the parents meeting, children who do not attend our school nursery cannot attend the stay and play days. This is not our choice but is determined by the COVID risk assessment and advice from our Safety Officer and the fact that we cannot have other children from different nurseries mixing with our school bubble. This was all explained to parents and we also highlighted that parents of children who do not attend our Nursery could call school and arrange 1 to 1 visits for their child to be introduced to the environment and meet the staff. Alternatively, we will look into an after school visit when the children can come together from another Nursery for their visit. Please rest assured that your child is not at a disadvantage, as the purpose of the visits is not primarily to meet other children but to introduced them to the setting. Please also bear in mind that due to COVID last year none of our Reception children were allowed to visit the school prior to starting in September but they all settled into school very quickly.

## Cystic Fibrosis Day

Today is Cystic Fibrosis Day and throughout the school we have been learning all about this. Annina in our Year 1 class and her sister Aliyia in Alby Tots both have CF and they cope marvellously. Today Annina shared her experiences with the class, she was very sensible and knowledgeable and the children now have a better understanding of this.



Alongside Sports' Day we had a special CF focus and the children had the opportunity to do some bouncing activities which are very important to children suffering from CF as it helps clear their lungs. We all wore something yellow, and the children made yellow and purple friendship bracelets in class. Thank you all for your involvement and donations which will go to the CF charity.

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## Diary Dates

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June - Year 5 Football (individual children)  
Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June - Reception Stay and Play Day 2  
Monday 28<sup>th</sup> June - The Farm comes to St Albert's -  
whole school event  
Monday 28<sup>th</sup> June - Y5 Cricket (individual children)  
Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> June - School Transition Day 1  
Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June - Y4 Multi skills (individual  
children)  
Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June - Y5 Fun Day at St John Bosco  
(girls)  
Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> July - Nursery & Alby Sports' Day  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July - Rec Sports' Day  
Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> July - Year 4 First Communion 10 am  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July - Y3 Dodgeball (individual children)  
Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July - Whole School Transition Day 2  
Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July - Y6 Trip (Y6 Trips are currently  
under review due to information sent to schools today)  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July - Y6 Ladywell visit (Y6 Trips are  
currently under review due to information sent to  
schools today)  
Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July - Y1 football (individual children)  
Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July - Whole School Mass  
Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July - Y6 football (individual children)  
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July - Y2 Girls football (individual children)  
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July - Year 6 Leavers' Play 10am/2pm  
(currently under review)  
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July - Nursery & Alby Tots close  
Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July - Whole School Zoom Awards'  
Assembly  
Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July - Y6 Leavers' Zoom Assembly  
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July - Last Day - school closes at 1pm

## FSM Holiday Summer Provision

This summer Volair will be offering FREE activity camps to children eligible for Free School Meals. The camps will take place over 4 days, starting Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> July. The camps aim to provide healthy food and fun activities for primary school aged children who are eligible for benefit related free school meals during the Summer holidays. Register your interest here: [www.volair.org.uk/holiday-camps/#HAF2021](http://www.volair.org.uk/holiday-camps/#HAF2021)

## PE kits

Before half term we highlighted to parents our aim to review our PE kits for September 2021. We are currently in the process of this and new smarter, and easier to wash, PE tops will be part of this. As soon as we get details we will forward these to you. In September we will still be expecting children to come into school in their PE kits on PE days as alongside COVID this has had many advantages. For any parents starting to purchase PE kits please bare this in mind. We are hoping to be able to fund a PE top for each child as part of the launch but parents will need to purchase shorts/jogging bottoms and pumps. Bearing in mind that we will be going into winter shortly after we return we would advise parents to purchase Navy blue jogging bottoms as these will keep children warm when they are walking to school.

In the interim please ensure that on PE days until September that children are coming into school in school PE kits and not their ordinary everyday clothes as this is not part of the school uniform.

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