

St Albert's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter Friday, 21 April 2023 www.stalbertsprimary.co.uk



Attendance News

This half term we have launched our Show Up to Glow Up Initiative for Attendance. When classes have 100% attendance, they will Glow Up their classroom light. This week year 6, year 5 and Year 4 have had 100% attendance which is marvellous news. The children are very excited to participate so please support us with this by ensuring attendance is good.

We will also be introducing a badge system so all children with 98% attendance last term will receive their first badge shortly. They will then work towards their second badge at the end of the summer term.

Persistent Absence

Children who are identified as persistently absent are a huge concern to us at the moment. These children's attendance is significantly affecting their progress in school, can affect their friendship and their confidence. It can also hinder any support they can access as the first barrier to learning is poor attendance. Please make sure that your child is not on this list by giving them full access to school and developing good habits.

Communion Classes

The first communion parents class took place last week after Mass and the second meeting is due to take place this **Sunday 23rd May**. Fr David has informed parents about the importance of attending both sessions if they wish their child to receive their First Holy Communion with the rest of the class, so please ensure that you have contacted Fr David if this has

Reminder that our Year 4 Holy Communion date is Saturday 13th May at 10am. A photographer has been organised and details will be given out shortly.

not been possible.

Votes 4 School

We have introduced a new element to our Information Station discussions called Votes for School. This is to encourage our children to be informed, be curious, and be heard. The first topic discussed, and which we have voted upon is should more be done to protect our oceans – we will update you on the school results and National results next week but please discuss this theme with your child.

Strike Days

The NEU is taking further strike action on Thursday 27th
April and Tuesday 2nd May. Closed classes are
Nursery and Year 3. All other classes are open.

School Council Meeting

There will be a School Council meeting next Friday (28th



April) at 8.30am in Mrs Cruse's Room. If you are part of the School Council, then please make sure that you are in school for this time.

<u>Assessments</u>

Year 1, 2 and 6 are all busy preparing for their SATs or phonics tests, which takes place towards the end of the term. Please support us with any additional work that is sent home and in ensuring that children are in school on time.

Holidays in School time

All holidays should be taken out of school term otherwise the children will have unauthorised absences and fines may be actioned. We have two weeks at Whit to enable families to take holidays if the summer holidays are too expensive.

Religious Education and Catholic Life

The focus of this term's work in Religious Education is the role that the Holy Spirit plays in our lives. We will be studying the three themes of Pentecost (Serving), Reconciliation (Inter-relating) and Universal Church (World). Please refer to the attached Come and See at Home newsletter, which will be emailed to you, for more information. If you do not receive the email, then please contact school.

School Nurse Drop in Sessions

The school nurse will be doing drop-in sessions on the following dates;

Friday 19th May Friday 16th June Thursday 20th July

She will be in school from **9-10am** so if you wish to speak to her then please call into school.



Breakfast Club

Reminder that the price for Breakfast Club has increased to £2 per child per day. Please make sure that this is paid regularly to ensure that there is no outstanding balance.

Summer Term 1 Activities

Please turn over for a timetable of this half terms activities.

This Weeks Attendance

| Rec | 92.7% |
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| Y1 | 97.0% |
| Y2 | 83.1% |
| Y3 | 93.3% |
| Y4 | 93.3% |
| Y5 | 95.4% |
| Y6 | 90.8% |

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