



St Albert's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter Thursday, 22 October 2026

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FREE Chester Zoo Tickets

Don't forget to collect your **FREE Chester Zoo family ticket** from the school office! Each family is entitled to one ticket, providing entry for up to four people to enjoy a full day at the zoo. With half term just around the corner, it's a great opportunity to make use of this fantastic offer. There is no need to book online, simply collect your ticket from the school office, sign for it, and visit on a day of your choice. Please note that all tickets must be used by 3rd January 2027.

London

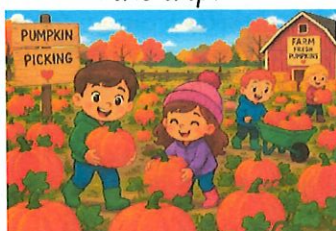
We are excited to offer our Year 6 children the opportunity to visit London from **Monday 8th February to Wednesday 10th February 2027**. This fantastic educational visit has been heavily subsidised, reducing the cost to **£250 per child**. During their stay, children will enjoy a range of memorable experiences while learning more about our capital city. Today is the final day for deposits to be received. To secure your child's place, please ensure you have completed and returned your child's permission slip, along a **£50 deposit**. If any families would prefer to pay on a weekly basis, please pop into the school office to discuss a payment plan.

PGL

We are delighted to offer our Year 5 children the exciting opportunity to attend a three-day residential trip to PGL Boreatton Park from **Monday 26th to Wednesday 28th April 2027**. The cost of the trip is **£140 per child**. Today is the final day for deposits to be received. To secure your child's place, please ensure you have completed and returned your child's permission slip, along a **£30 deposit**.

Nursery Pumpkin Picking

On **Monday**, our Nursery children had a fantastic time visiting Church View Farm for their pumpkin picking trip. The children enjoyed exploring the farm, choosing their own pumpkins and taking part in a lovely autumn experience with their friends. Everyone had a wonderful day and created lots of special memories. Be sure to check out our Instagram page to see photos from the trip!



Y4 Bible Tales

On **Wednesday**, our Year 4 children enjoyed a wonderful visit from Bible Tales, exploring the theme of Prayer. The children took part in activities and shared their learning through a fantastic performance. A huge thank you to all the parents and carers who came along to watch. We were incredibly proud of Year 4, who were excellent throughout and performed brilliantly!

Y5 Art Trip

Today, our Year 5 children enjoyed a fantastic visit to the Walker Art Gallery, where they took part in an exciting workshop entitled "Storytelling with the Greeks." The children thoroughly enjoyed the interactive activities and had the opportunity to explore Greek myths and storytelling in a creative and engaging way.

Flu Vaccination

It's that time of year again - flu season, and all children will be offered a free flu vaccination at school. The NHS School Immunisation Team will be visiting school on **Monday 2nd November** to administer the vaccinations.

The vaccine is usually given as a quick and painless nasal spray, helping to protect children from flu and reduce the spread of infection. Flu can be a serious illness for children and can sometimes lead to ear infections, bronchitis and pneumonia. The nasal spray vaccine has been given to millions of children and has an excellent safety record.

Please look out for information from the NHS School Immunisation Team, which will be sent via text message. **All parents and carers must reply to the text to either give or decline consent for their child to receive the flu vaccination.**

If you require any further support, please contact the School Immunisation Team on 0151 351 8805, who will be happy to help.

Half Term

As we break up for half term today, we would like to wish all our families a lovely and restful break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on **Monday 2nd November** at 8.55am.

Week's Attendance

Rec	81.5%
Y1	85.0%
Y2	97.4%
Y3	88.5%
Y4	84.2%
Y5	87.1%
Y6	91.7%

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Year 4 First Holy Communion & Reconciliation

All preparation meetings will take place after Mass. Please note that Mass begins at **9.45am**, and attendance at both Mass and the preparation meeting is compulsory for all children and their parents/carers as part of the sacramental programme.

Preparation meetings will take place on:

Sunday 1st November
Sunday 6th December
Sunday 10th January
Sunday 7th February
Sunday 7th March
Sunday 18th April

Dates for the Holy Communion celebrations are:

St Albert's: Saturday 8th May 2027
St Brigid's: Saturday 15th May 2027

PE Days

Mon	Y1 & Y6	Sports with Mr Unwin
Thurs	Y2 & Y5	Sports with Mr Unwin
Fri	Y3 & Y4	Sports with Mr Unwin

After School Club

Mon	Year 5	Sport with Mr Unwin
Tues	Year 3 & 4 3.15-4pm	Sport with Mrs Michaels and Mrs Cruise
Thurs	Year 6	Sports with Mr Unwin

FREE School Meal Support - Half Term

Knowsley Council is working with local community partners to provide free lunches during the October half-term holiday for children who receive benefit-related Free School Meals. The scheme is available through several community venues across Knowsley. For full details, including participating venues and contact information, please visit the article below:

[Council and community partners work together to provide lunches for children who receive Free School Meals](#)

Y6 Secondary School

A reminder to all Year 6 parents and carers that applications for secondary school places are now open through your local authority.

We encourage families to apply as early as possible and to ensure all preferences are submitted before the **closing date of 31 October**. For more information and to apply, please visit your local authority's school admissions website.

Liverpool ([purple bin])

www.liverpool.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-admissions/

Knowsley (blue bin)

www.knowsley.gov.uk/education-and-schools/school-admissions

FREE Story Sack Course

We are delighted to offer a 5-week Christmas Story Sack course for parents and carers of children in Reception and Year 1, starting on **Tuesday 3rd November, 9am-10am**. This fun and informal course will provide all the books and materials needed to create a Christmas-themed story sack to enjoy at home. Best of all, families will be able to keep their finished story sack at the end of the course. A letter has been sent home with further details. If you would like to take part, please complete and return the reply slip as soon as possible. Spaces are limited

Year 1 Wild Things Trip

On **Thursday 5th November**, our Year 1 children will be visiting The Lowry, Manchester to explore the *Wild Things* exhibition, an exciting interactive experience inspired by some of the world's most loved stories. A letter was sent home this week. Please complete and return the permission slip along with your **£4** payment as soon as possible to secure your child's place on the trip. We are sure the children will have a wonderful day.

All About Family Liverpool - Autumn Issue

We are pleased to share the latest **Autumn Issue of All About Family Liverpool** with our families. The magazine is packed with useful information, advice and support for parents, including reading recommendations, NSPCC support services, lifesaving skills from St John Ambulance, adult education opportunities, family law advice, tips to reduce packed lunch waste, money-saving advice and details of local events.

You can read the magazine online at:
www.allabout-family.co.uk/liverpool

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BE BRIGHT, BE SEEN Competition

As the clocks go back on **Sunday 25th October**, Knowsley Council is running a road safety poster competition to help children stay safe and visible during the darker months. We encourage children to get creative with bright, colourful and reflective designs. Please return entries to class by **Monday 2nd November**. Winning artwork will be displayed at Shakespeare North Playhouse from **9th-15th November**.

Outdoor Bounce Day

On **Thursday 5th November** we will be taking part in an OPAL Bounce Day as part of The Outdoor Classroom Day. We are introducing OPAL space hoppers, and the children will have lots of fun as they take part in a variety of exciting bouncing challenges and activities.

Exciting Opportunity - Digger Simulator!

During our first week back after half term, we are excited to welcome a digger simulator into school! This fantastic hands-on experience will give children the opportunity to develop their understanding of civil engineering, explore the important role it plays in our everyday lives and raise awareness of exciting future career opportunities within the industry. We hope this experience will inspire our budding engineers of the future!

Another great reason to be in school every day and not miss out!

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Knowsley **SEND** parent carers

What would a
Knowsley
Parent Carer
Forum look like
for **YOU**?

Your experiences:

Your ideas:

Your forum:

Come along, share your experiences, ideas and hopes for the future, and help shape what a future Parent Carer Forum could look like in Knowsley.



Tuesday
17th November

9.30am – 12.30pm



Volair, 105
Cherryfield Drive,
Kirkby, L32 8SA



Friday
11th December

9.30am – 12.30pm



MYA Our Place,
Huyton, L36
6EG



Tuesday
19th January

9.30am – 12.30pm



Volair, Baileys Lane,
Halewood, L26
0TY



Share your
experiences



Bring your
ideas and hopes



Meet and chat
with other
parent carers



Help shape
what comes
next

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- ✓ No commitment expected
- ✓ Just come and have your say



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provided
12.30pm



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LIBRARY SPOOKY HALF TERM ACTIVITIES

Check out what's going on in your local library

STOCKBRIDGE VILLAGE

STORIES, SONGS AND PLAY FOR LITTLE ONES

Monday 26th October
10.30-11.30am

Under 5's

MAKE TRICK OR TREAT BAG WITH THE RECYCLING TEAM

Monday 26th October
2-3.30pm

4+



LOVESCIENCE PRESENTS

Tuesday 27th October
2-3pm

Spooky science experiments – disappearing cats, jumping spiders, and slime!

5+

OPEN A BOOK OPEN A WORLD VIRTUAL REALITY EXPERIENCE*

Wednesday 28th October
10.30am-12.30pm

8+



CELEBRATE ALL THINGS SPOOKY

Wednesday 28th October
2-3pm

Witches, wizards, ghosts and goblins with interactive storyteller Robin Simpson

5+



MINECRAFT ZOMBIE CRAFT

Thursday 29th October
2-4pm

5+

GET WRITING!

Friday 30th October
10.30am-12.30pm

Create a fantastically spooky character and short story. To book contact charles@readnowwritenow.org.uk

7+



PAPER BAT CRAFT

Saturday 31st October
10.30am-12pm

5+



