



St Alban's Newsletter



3rd April 2020, Passion Sunday of Lent in Ordinary Time

WEDNESDAY WORD - HOLY WEEK (see [the link](#))

We hope you are all well during these very difficult times. As far as we know nobody in the immediate school community has suffered any loss or illness. Let's keep praying that we can all come through this together.

School closure.

The school will remain open during the Easter Holidays for Key worker children, with the support of St Paul's.

For the past two weeks a regular number of children have been coming to school from both schools but we recognise that circumstances may change, and so we want to continue to offer our support to you. Next week St Alban's will be open for the first week and St Paul's the second week. If you are a key worker and there is no other support at home for your child, please let both schools know as soon as your need is known. If you are called to the hospital or your profession without much notice feel free to bring your child to either school but ensure you have emailed us to let us know you are coming. We need to identify you.

Week 1: Monday 6 April – Friday 10 April

This will be hosted at St. Alban's RC Primary School

Week 2: Monday 13 April – Friday 17 April

This will be hosted at St. Paul's CE (VA) Primary School

Times: 9am – 3.15pm

Lunch: Dolce will provide lunch for the children in attendance

All children will need to bring a snack and a drinks bottle

Contact with both schools:

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Please notify us of any changes to agreed arrangements via the above email addresses.

Other details:

Non-uniform to be worn

Home learning

We know most children are enjoying Sumdog and we hope they are doing the rest of the activities set on our website. If you are struggling with downloading, printing or having access to the activities please contact the school for assistance.

During the Easter holidays we recognise that the children would not normally be asked to do work but if you follow this [link](#) you will see that there are activities which might be of interest for your son/daughter.

Communication between teachers and children.

We are very excited to announce that from the start of the new term the children will be able to see and hear their teachers online each morning. This new Learning Platform called Class Dojo will allow the children not only to see the teacher but to post comments and share their work with the teacher (within reason). In the next two weeks you will be able to register online to watch a short introductory video from the class teacher. Look out for login details from Flower. **Attached is a letter with more information.**

DATES

21/04	Governors Resources Meeting
24/04	PFA Social Evening
27/04	Football Tournament
27/04	Governors Full body Meeting
05/05	NHS Vision Screening - Reception Class
11/05	SATS Week
11/05	Football Tournament
14/05	Y3,Y4 Tennis Competition
22/05	Global Day
03/06	Y6 Royal Albert Hall
15/06	St Alban's Science week
22/06	St Alban's Day
30/06	Y6 Hilltop till 03/07
04/07	Summer Fair
09/07	Sports Day
16/07	Y6 Leavers' Disco

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Sing and dance

There are now some great free online music resources so you don't miss out on singing and moving about.

Out of the Ark are doing a song a day - there are some really good songs on here, see outoftheark.co.uk for details. Also for KS1 children, there are some excellent materials on the BBC website Bring the Noise. Year 1 are already familiar with the robot song and may like to do the challenge of coming up with their own dance moves. Finally, again on the BBC Teach website, there are some good dance ideas linked with classical music under the heading KS1 Dance with the elements. —Mrs Burrows

A message from the PFA.

A huge humble and grateful thank you to all who were able to give or 'ride' last week: Alban the bear is currently in Serbia! **We have amazingly hit our target and will send a cheque for £1500 to [Addenbrookes Charitable Trust \(ACT\)](#) this weekend.** Further donations can be given via the PFA bank account and we will continue adding up the miles until we get to Bethlehem. Thank you to Amy for all her kind work adding those up for us.

(ACT is currently raising money for basics for nurses during their shifts and iPads for those stuck in wards who can no longer have visitors. Donations directly to them can of course be given on their own website.)

More comments from your teachers.

Mrs Paul- Hi children,

I hope you have had a good week. It has been wonderful to see some photos of what you have been getting up to. Please keep them coming.

Love Mrs Paul

Miss Waterson and Mrs Tait

Well done everyone for all your hard work. We love seeing your progress on Sumdog. Keep it up you are doing a great job.

Mrs Binnie

I am so proud of you all. I hope you are all listening to your parents and doing your work. Well done!

Miss Brett

Well done for all your hard work done so far. I hope you are enjoying your activities and being helpful at home.

Mrs Richardson

Well done to all the children for your hard work. I'm looking forward to you all being expert coders when you return.

Mr Wright

Hello Year 4.

Please continue to keep up the hard work and focus with your learning at home and do so with a smile. Well done on Sumdog - I can see the time you are spending on there! Keep it up. The very best wishes to you all

Mrs Seebeck

Fantastic work Year 5. I've just read your weekly report on Sumdog and some children are exceeding the required hours. Remember to complete other set tasks eg reading the hobbit. Keep smiling

Mrs Muir

Excellent Year 6! I am really pleased with how everyone is getting on. Keep it up!

Mr McCrossan

We are missing you so much. I am missing giving out Housepoints, seeing your work, chatting to you at lunch times, and checking that you are eating your vegetables. Be good at home and keep saying your prayers.

Mrs Burrows

Well done to all of you who are keeping up with your music. It was lovely working with some of you at school this week and do look out for the chance to listen to lots of music! I've put it in this newsletter.

Quiz— Holy week is upon us.

1. This Sunday is Palm Sunday but what do the palms get used for afterwards in preparation of next Lent?
2. What happened on Holy Thursday? Do you know all the events of that evening?
What did Judas and Peter do?
3. Good Friday is a very special day. Why? What happens to the church?
4. Who were the men crucified with Jesus?
5. What sign was nailed to the top of the cross?

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