

St Alban's Newsletter



2nd October 2020, 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

WEDNESDAY WORD—[MESSENGERS](#) (please click)

October the month of the Rosary (Wednesday 7th the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary)

This month in assemblies we will be learning about the rosary and praying to Our Lady. There is no need to bring any beads to school but it would be very helpful if parents could remind the children of the Hail Mary.

First Holy Communion

This weekend the children from OLEM will be receiving their First Holy Communion. We also know that some of the Year 3 (now Year 4) children received the sacrament earlier in the year and there will be a few more in the coming months. Please keep them in your prayers. Once they have all received the sacrament we will look to have a short celebration with them in the class.

First Holy Communion next year

It is very encouraging to see that 25 children have signed up for the First Holy Communion classes for next year. If you have not done already and wish your son/daughter to receive the sacrament, please contact the school and we will pass on your details.

Achievements

We will be celebrating your child's achievements at the end of each month in our newsletter. Please send in anything your child has achieved. It will be different from the past but we would like to hear of things that your child is proud of each month. Please send to the office@stalbans.cambs.sch.uk.

Homework and Clasdojo

If children bring homework home they must upload it to Clasdojo for the teacher to look at. As teachers give different amounts of homework according to the age of the child not all work will receive comments. After uploading your child's work, the teacher will either approve or comment. A maximum of two comments per week will be posted by the teacher. Most of the correspondence between the child and the teacher is in their books.

Points on Clasdojo— some teachers will be posting points for your child for good work or as a reward for something. Other teachers may record points in the class, or there will be a combination of both. Please ask your child how they are getting on in class because some children will be receiving other immediate awards.

What we can tell you is the behaviour in the school is very good and we are watching it very carefully in these exceptional times.

Covid update

There have been no confirmed positive results from the small amount of children who have taken the test (7 children). We will inform you if any child or adult in the school has a test and will let you know as soon as possible the outcome. You will appreciate that this will all be anonymous.

Scratch Online Permission (We are waiting for several families to register)

Mrs Richardson recently wrote to all families with children in Years 2 to 6 to ask permission to register them with the Scratch online site.

Please could anyone who has not yet done so email Mrs Richardson directly to give or deny permission so that she can see which children to register. brichardson@stalbans.cambs.sch.uk

We are still waiting for contact from a number of families to register. Please see the original letter for further details.

Important dates for your diary

**INSET Day 15th
October
(School Closed)**

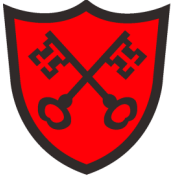
**Parent Zoom
Consultation
Evenings
3.30pm to 7.20pm
11th and 12th
November**

**Flu Vaccination
20th November
(Whole school)**

**Open evenings for
new 2021
Reception parents
(5pm to 8pm)
3rd, 10th 17th, 24th
November and 1st
December**

**Last day of term
Thursday 17th
December**

**INSET day 18th
December
(School Closed)**



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Headteacher's Award

Reception

Freya - For her amazing writing in our Phonics lesson.
Phoebe - For her enthusiasm in all aspects of school life.

Year 1

Emil – for using ambitious words in his writing and having a positive attitude in all lessons.
Matteo – for showing brilliant focus in lessons and acts of kindness in the playground.

Year 2

Gabi - For fantastic progress in reading and superb contributions in Guided Reading!

Year 3

Tom - For working extremely hard in his story writing this week.
Maele - For doing her best and persevering in her maths work.

Year 4

Madalena - For producing an excellent piece of work to show her learning about Creation, very well done. Keep up the wonderful work!
Luke - For consistently showing a fantastic focus towards learning tasks and setting a wonderful example to other children. Well done, keep it up!

Year 5

James - For producing outstanding creative writing this week.
Freddie - For outstanding sporting attitude in team games this week.

Year 6

Seth - For excellent reflection and writing about Catholicism.
Kitty - For learning all her lines for Hamlet!

October Half-term activities: Technology Camp in Cambridge, see <https://nextthing.shortcm.li/V8sdcP> or attached leaflet for more information.

Cambridge Nomads Hockey Club hold junior training for 8-14 year olds on Tuesday evenings (7.30-8.30pm) at the University Sports Centre, Wilberforce Road. Children don't need to have any experience of playing hockey as we have friendly coaches to help to develop skills and confidence. Regular tournaments are held throughout the season, giving children the chance to develop their skills and enjoy playing as part of a team. Interested players should contact david.watts@yahoo.co.uk to arrange a free taster session.

Happy Birthday

Oliver in Year 5 will be 10 years old on the 3rd October

Divina in Year 5 will be 10 years old on the 5th October

Frederick in Year 6 will be 11 years old on the 9th October

Henry in Year 6 will be 11 years old on the 9th October



Quiz—

This month is the month devoted to the Rosary.
How many beads are on the rosary beads?
What is a decade of the rosary?
How many decades are there?
What is meant by the mysteries of the rosary?



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