



St Alban's Newsletter



23rd October 2020, 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

First Holy communion

Congratulations to all the Year 4 children who are receiving their First Holy Communion at Fisher House in the next couple of weeks. Please keep them in your prayers.

Goodbye Serena in Year 2

We wish Serena and her family well as they start a new life in Norwich.

Welcome Father Alan

At Thursday's assembly the children enjoyed meeting Father Alan and listening to how he grew up and became a priest. We have arranged masses for the children to celebrate in the church next half term. Unfortunately no adults will be allowed to attend. We hope you understand.

All Saints Day 1st Nov and All Souls' Day 2nd Nov

Unfortunately we will be unable to celebrate All Souls' Day in the church and so we will have a short service in school.

A reminder that All Saints day is a holiday of obligation but it is on a Sunday.

Teachers Curriculum overviews

They are now on the school [website](#) (under Classes & R.E.).

Covid

Please check the latest update on the number of tests on our website.

Please make sure all parents have signed up to Classdojo as the teachers will be communicating via this platform if we have to go to a higher level of protection.

Photographs 3rd November

Please keep this date in your diary when we return to school. There will be photographs for school siblings

Holiday club at school— Premier Education

A reminder that the children must be dropped off and collected at the front entrance. All those registered for the club should have received details. Please check your emails. Mr McCrossan will be in daily contact with the club if there are any issues. There are still some places left. Follow [the link](#).

Make our streets safer – A school street project

We have been approached to take part in a new initiative to make the streets around the city schools safer. This will require volunteers, and we need your help. If you are interested please contact Mr McCrossan to talk over the project in more detail. Please see attached a document which will give you a good insight into what is involved, it is also on our school website [here](#).

Open Days

Please inform friends, neighbours and families of our [Open days](#) for September 2021.

Moving on

A number of children are moving away from Cambridge city in January. We will therefore have spaces in the following Year Groups;

Reception - 1 place

Year 1 - 2 places

Year 2 - 2 places

Year 4 - 1 place

Year 5 - 1 place

This is highly unusual for us but families are leaving because of their personal situation. Therefore, in January we will be asking the Local Authority to offer these out to those on the waiting lists. However, if you know any families who would like to send their children, please ask them to contact the office as soon as possible.

Half term activity: Spooky Science in the Grafton Centre for children aged 7-12, see details [here](#).

Book your Parent Consultation on Monday 2nd November

NEXT WEEK IS HALF TERM. PLEASE KEEP SAFE!

This was the month of October.

We remember ;

BLACK HISTORY MONTH;



THE ROSARY.



Now we remember, remember the month of November;

ALL SAINTS DAY



ALL SOULS ' DAY



Remember the clocks go back one hour on Sunday



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Headteachers Award

Reception

George & Pietro - For their amazing "C" phonics work.

Year 1

Ralph - For his positive attitude and excellent progress in writing.

Evie - For having such a positive attitude to her learning and for her fantastic classroom contributions.

Year 2

Emilio - For great enthusiasm and contributions in music lessons.

Jaden - For some great writing and fantastic letter formation.

Year 3

John & Raphaella - For their thoughtful responses to our RE work, reflecting on the promises made during Baptism.

Year 4

Gabi - For always showing a brilliant attitude to lessons and listening carefully to what adults and children are saying, well done!

Lucia - For consistently following instructions quickly with a really strong focus! Well done Lucia and keep it up!

Year 5

Olivia - For well explained statements on how the earth and moon move.

Mia - For producing well explained statements on how the earth and moon move.

Year 6

Eva - For a superb historical story that engaged the reader.

Domino - For a wonderful watercolour design on her Christmas card.

PFA

Thank you to everyone who donated to Bags2school. It looked like a great big pile. Huge thanks to Teeba for organising everything.

Over half term we are having a pumpkin carving competition. Very generously Mooi is giving a prize for each year group. Posters with details will be sent via WhatsApp. All entries welcome - send your photo over the week to your year reps. Last year we had some hugely creative entries that made everyone smile. (Remember no ghosts etc.) We will make a collage of each year group and share.

Christmas cards - teachers have been wonderful and all children will come home with a code for you to order cards and gifts with their designs and artwork. Ordering is early November (first 2 weeks) so they can be with you in plenty of time to post internationally.

Happy Birthday

Leon in Year 6 who will be 11 years old on the 24th October

Nathan in Year 1 who will be 6 years old on the 24th October

Owen in Year 1 who will be 6 years old on the 24th October

Lucile in Year 5 will be 10 years old on the 30th October

Patrick in Year 4 will be 9 years old on the 1st November

Enoch in Year 3 will be 8 years old on the 4th November



Quiz—This week the children met Father Alan via zoom but can they remember things about him?

Which country is Father Alan from?

What did he like doing when he was a boy?

Father Alan was interested in planes or trains? What did he become because of his interest?

When Father Alan came to England, what job did he have?

Who are Father Paul's favourite saints?

What is Father Paul's favourite book?

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