



St Alban's Newsletter



5 March 2023, 2nd Sunday of Lent

WEDNESDAY WORD—**ENCOURAGEMENT** (please click)

Photos of World Book Day

What a wonderful, colourful day. The children enjoyed reading and hearing stories throughout the day, culminating in a child-led Whole School Assembly celebrating World Book Day. Could you guess who they are? More on the third page of the newsletter.

Extension of the Book Fair

Our apologies for not being able to use the QR codes. The company has allowed us to keep the Book fair in school until Wednesday. So please feel free to pop in at the end of the day or use the QR codes which are now working.



Lenten Walk

The children have started the Lenten Walk for the families of Turkey and Syria. The School Council would like to raise £500 by the end of Lent. So far, we have received 10 donors and the total is £240. We think we can do better than that. The School Council did not want contributions for dressing up today so why don't you make a donation to the tremendous efforts by the children as they attempt to walk over 1000km? To make a donation [follow this link](#).

New scooters

Our thanks to the PFA for the lovely new scooters and the Pedal trays. They are a great addition to the playground and the Pedal trays are creating a great challenge for the KS2 children.

Closing of the gates

Thank you to everyone for your support with the closure of the gates. It makes the school a safer place. There has been no intruder in the school but a few adults have come in to look for various items which has alerted us to the potential of someone walking in while a club is on.

Spanish teacher

Last week we announced that we will no longer be teaching French to KS2 after Easter. We have decided that Spanish will be the language to learn moving forward. However, we know a number of parents would like to have the opportunity to continue with French and so we are researching into having French club at lunch time or after school.

Science Week

We have received a few parents willing to come in and share their profession or interest, thank you. There is still time and if you would like to come in and talk about anything Science, contact Mr Wright (CWright@stalbans.cambs.sch.uk).

Vegan Day

This week we had a trial run of Vegan Day. There was actually a mix up on the dates, we will continue to have the Vegan Day as planned on the 27th March as well as having it this week.

Next week

There is a lot happening next week.

Victoria Goodman coming in to do Lenten Workshops with all the children (7th March)

Yr1 visiting Pizza Express on the 8th March

Daniel Zeichner MP and the Deputy Austrian Ambassador visiting the school on the 10th March

Cafod representative coming in to lead an assembly about the Earthquake fundraising on the 10th March— Parents are welcome to join this assembly at 2.30pm

Newsletter from OLEM, please see the link [here](#).

We have a number of families who need our prayers this week. Please think of those who are in hospital and who have lost loved ones. Thank you.



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Are you keeping to your Lent?



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Headteachers Award

Reception

Dree - For understanding and answering maths questions.

Muazah - For showing good rhythm and leading the other children playing musical instruments.

Year 1

Benedetta - For her mature behaviour and wonderful progress in writing and maths.

Adam - For his thoughtful work on prayer in RE.

Year 2

Leah - For improving her work by going back to edit it.

Joseph - For adapting well to a change and working hard all week in Year 2.

Year 3

Maria - For creating and describing a main character and villain.

Nathan - For taking time to tidy the classroom and cloakroom.

Year 4

Aron - For showing great development in his writing skills.

Anna - For creating a superb scientific diagram of the Water Cycle.

Year 5

Lorcan - For an excellent "Learning Partner" this week and an outstanding science teacher to his group.

Enoch - For an excellent "Learning Partner" this week and an outstanding science teacher to his group.

Year 6

Aisling - For setting a fantastic example to other children during all learning. Well done.

Bartholomew - For trying extremely hard during assessment week & taking on feedback positively. Well done.

PFA

Anti-engine idling - Protect our Children

Please remember to switch off your engine when parked during school drop off and pickup

A Big Thank You to AstraZeneca!

A number of parents employed by AstraZeneca submitted the KS1 playground area refurbishment and installation of anti-idling sign initiatives on the shortlist of a £3,000 AstraZeneca community fund. The PFA are delighted to announce that AstraZeneca employees voted for the monies to be awarded to the school to help contribute to the cost of these projects.

Happy Birthday

Nico in Year 6 will be 11 years old next week

Georgina in Year 1 will be 6 years old next week

Izabele in Reception will be 5 years old next week



Quiz— Lent lasts for 40 days and 40 nights. This is a significant number in the bible and there were a few other times when 40 was used. Can you unscramble the letters to find them.

HOAN DNA HTE CAR - 40 DAYS

SSOME DLEAIGN EHT OPEELP TOU FO SRAELI -40 YEARS

SEJUS NI ETH DSSRTEE

Three kings reigned for 40 years; LSAU, VIADD, OOOSLMN.

GLITHOA taunted the Israel for 40 days before DVIAD defeated him.

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Work submission days 6th – 10th March

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year3					Maths: Non Unit fractions Spelling: List 2
Year4				Maths: Fraction worksheet Science: Water cycle comprehension Spelling	
Year5				Playscript ideas "Romeo and Juliet" Spellings (taken from TEST sheet)	
Year6	Spellings Daily reading: 20 minutes Maths Facts		Maths: Reasoning		



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