



St Alban's Newsletter



10 September 2023, 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Welcome back

"Hopefully everyone had an enjoyable and peaceful summer break. It has been a great pleasure listening to some of the stories the children have been sharing about their holidays, and I look forward to hearing more next week.

On behalf of the staff and myself, I would like to thank all the parents for your generous gifts and comments at the end of last year. We really appreciated your thanks and acknowledgement for teaching your children.

As we start the new year we remember all the children, families and staff who left us at the end of last term and wish them every success for the future.

I look forward to continued success this year and ask you keep us in your prayers so that St Alban's can continue to Believe, Succeed and Achieve. Everyone is invited to join the school children and staff at the

Welcome Back Mass on Wednesday 13th September at 10.00am"

Joseph McCrossan Headteacher

Welcome to new families and one baby

We are delighted to welcome Yohannes, in Year 1, Henry, in Year 4, Henry, in Year 6 to our school. We hope they and their families enjoy being part of our community. We would also like to congratulate Pat-Mary and Raphael for becoming a big brother and sister again, as mummy and daddy had a new baby called Amma.

End of year outcomes

Please follow [this link](#) to see how the school compared to the local and national data. You will see that the school achieved significantly higher in all areas at the end of KS2. We are delighted with this, and our children and staff deserve a **HUGE** congratulations.

Midday Supervisors

We urgently need paid Midday Supervisors to join our team. If you or you know anyone who would like to join our team please invite them to contact the office. We require people to work from 11.45 to 1.00 each day and people must be over 18. This might be an attractive position for grandparents.

Office Administrator at St Alban's Catholic Primary school Cambridge

The school is looking to appoint someone with the necessary skills and attributes to be our new Office Administrator. The position will be suitable for many people and training will be provided. If you would like to work full time (School hours) in a friendly environment and be part of an outstanding team with delightful children, go to our website for more information. We are extending the closing date to the 15th September and **not** the 8th as in the advert. School visits are very welcome.

Education Sunday 10th September

It would be great to see all the children wearing their school uniform at mass this Sunday.

Multi Academy Trust (MAT)

This week, at mass, all priests will be reading out a letter from the Bishop. In the letter the Bishop will make reference to all diocesan schools joining a Multi Academy Trust. Our governors have considered this for a number of years but has never felt the time was right to join the Our Lady of Walsingham MAT. However, last term the governors agreed to do so, and so, will be beginning the process this term with a view to being in the MAT by Easter. There will be more information coming out in the coming weeks and months and the governors are confident that this is the best decision for St Alban's and adhering to the Bishop's wishes.

Foodbank Collection

Weekly Foodbank collection on Monday, please see their latest most needed items via [this link](#).

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



Education Sunday is this Sunday the 10th September



All Afterschool clubs emails have been dealt with, you should have received a response from Joanne regarding to your child's place, if not please email office (office@stalbans.cambs.sch.uk)



**Sunday 10th September
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Education Sunday**

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Clothing

Your child may come home with an unmarked jumper or cardigan today. This is because a number of clothing items have been unclaimed. If you do not want it please could you return it to the school. To avoid this in the future please write your child's name on their clothing. Lost property does cause us unnecessary work.

Uniform

A reminder that children should be wearing red jumpers/cardigans, black or grey trousers/skirts, white/red shirts/dresses and predominantly black shoes (preferably Velcro for the children who cannot tie their laces). Children must change for PE, except Reception class. Red tops and black shorts must be worn but as the colder days come in, children can dress appropriately and not worry about the colours. More details are on [school website](#).

Packed Lunch

A reminder that no crisps or chocolate bars are allowed in the boxes. Bringing these to school not only upsets other children but it is not good practice as we are a healthy eating school. So please give it careful consideration in the mornings, (we know it can be a challenge).

Swimming at Parkside Swimming Pool

Swimming lessons begin on Tuesday the 12th September. The classes are attending will be Y2 and Y5 in the Autumn term.

Work in the school

During the holidays the KS1, Reception playground had some improvements made. A special thank you to the PFA who helped with the cost of the repairs and purchase of new equipment.

After School Clubs

These resume next week. To join any club you need to register your child at the office (office@stalbens.camb.sch.uk) or contact the club directly.

Updated information

Please can you inform the school if there are any changes to your personal contact details. It is very important that we have this for any emergencies and ensuring you are receiving all the school information.

Lateness

It is important all children arrive at school between 8.45-8.55am as the gates will close promptly, and it will mean having to walk through the car park where there is a large compound. Please try and avoid walking through the car park at any time. Children with bikes can enter the school via any gate and walk to their relevant playground with their bikes.

Absences

Any parent who has been delayed returning to school, please complete an absence request form asap. This can be found on our [school website](#), a paper copy can be collected at the school office.

Happy Birthday

Harry in Year 5 who was 9 years old this week
Maria in Year 4 who was 8 years old this week
Abrielle who is 7 years old today



Quiz — This week the children have been reflecting on the school's mission statement "Believe, Achieve and Succeed" and the school Behaviour Policy.

Can you name as many phrases/logos as possible which are used by famous companies?

Our Principles of Behaviour are taken from the Ten what?

Believe— What/Who do you believe?

Achieve— How can you achieve something?

Succeed— What should you do if you have success?

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