



Newsletter

Friday 3rd November 2023

Safeguarding

Well, done to those children arriving at school in good time for the school day. Can I please remind parents that if the green gates to the school are closed, then you must accompany your child to the main office to report their late arrival.

As the weather is now colder and wetter, please ensure that your child has suitable clothing.

For those children in Years 5 and 6 who travel home themselves, please ensure that they are well equipped for the dark nights, for example, having lights on bikes, wearing more visible clothing. We also ask that the children in these classes know the arrangements for them at home time, as we have had a few incidents where parents have arrived at school to pick up their child but they have already left.

RE

This week we welcomed Fr. Jonathan who is now our Parish Priest at St. Anthony's. He came into school on Tuesday to meet the pupils and staff. He is really keen to spend time in school and we are looking forward to working with him. Y3 will be the first class from St. Alban's to celebrate Mass with Fr. Jonathan on Wednesday at 10am.

Thank you to Year 3 for leading us in an All-Saints Day Celebration of the Word on Wednesday. The children reminded us to remember all those who have lived their lives really well and have died and gone to heaven.

Next week Year 5 will lead a whole school Remembrance Day Celebration of the Word.

Curriculum.

The new half term curriculum plans for this current half term are now on the school website. These give parents an insight to all the wonderful learning that will take place in school up to Christmas.

House Groups

This week our children worked together in their house group to discuss bonfire night/firework safety and the importance of being visible during the dark nights. They also revised our child-friendly safeguarding policy, British Values and our school key principles of keeping safe, learning lots and being happy.

Book fair

We are happy to be hosting a book fair here in school this week and next. Children have had the opportunity to have a look at some of the lovely books we have on sale. Please see the attached letter and invitation for further details.

Anti-Bullying Assembly

Year 2 will lead an Anti-bullying Assembly in the school hall on Friday 10th November at 9:00am. Year 2 parents/carers are very welcome to attend.

Halloween Disco

Thank you to all who supported, organised and supervised our Halloween disco. There were some fantastic (and frightening!) costumes and a great time was had by all.

Social Media

Just a reminder that as well as our website, we have a Facebook page that we update regularly where you can access information and view photos of all the wonderful things that are happening in school. Please feel free to 'like' and your kind comments on the posts are always welcome.

Date for Parents

Date	Event	Details
Friday 3 rd November Monday 6 th November Tuesday 7 th November	Book Fair	3.15 – 4.00pm in the School Hall
Friday 10 th November	Anti-Bullying Assembly	Year 2 parents invited
Tuesday 14 th November	Reception parents phonics meeting	2.30pm – 4.00pm in the School Hall
Friday 17 th November	Children in Need Day	Non-uniform Chocolate donation
Friday 1 st December	Advent Assembly led by Year 3	Year 3 parents invited
Monday 4 th December	Liturgical Prayers and Christmas craft	Nursery & Reception Parents
Monday 11 th December	Liturgical Prayers and Christmas craft	Year 1, 2 & 3 Parents
Monday 18 th December	Liturgical Prayers and Christmas craft	Years 4,5 & 6 Parents
Wednesday 13 th December	Nursery, Reception Performance	10am School Hall (Ticket details to follow)
Wednesday 13 th December	Year 1, 2 & 3 Performance	2pm School Hall (Ticket details to follow)
Wednesday 13 th December	Year 4,5 & 6 Performance	6pm School Hall (Ticket details to follow)
Tuesday 19 th December	Christmas Jumper Day	
Tuesday 19 th December	Christmas Dinner Day	NO packed Lunches
Wednesday 20 th December	Whole School Mass	St Anthony's
Thursday 21 st December	Whole School Pantomime	Aladdin Customs House. (more details to follow)
Friday 22 nd December	INSET DAY	School closed to the children