



Newsletter

Friday 24th January 2025

Enjoying and excelling in the presence of God

Safeguarding

We continue to support children in school with online safety. Next week our year 5 children will have a session about keeping safe online this will be followed up with staff training. As parents it is often difficult to keep up to date with new technology and the risks this might pose to our children. Moving forward, I will be organising a session for parents.

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Today has been our Jubilee Launch Day in school. Our Mini Vinnies led us in prayer this morning and we have taken a pilgrimage journey around school this afternoon.



On Saturday we have our School Takeover Mass at St Anthony of Padua church. This service starts at 5.30pm. We hope you can join us with your family.

School Uniform

Can I just remind parents of our school uniform policy which is published on our school website. Please note some of the main points i.e., no earrings or jewellery, sensible haircuts and black shoes. It is important that uniform is consistent for all children in school. We have also noticed that there is an increasing number of children who do not have their PE kit in school. PE kits should be in all week as occasionally PE sessions need to be changed. We thank you for your support with this.

Home Journals

All of the children have received their new journal for this term. The journal should be taken home every night and brought to school every morning. Inside the journal is lots of information for parents about uniform, timetables and there is a home school agreement page to be signed. The children read every day across school and they also have a home reading book. The children or parent might wish to make comments about the reading book in the journal.

Year 6 Boosters Class

As we have done in the past, Year 6 children will be staying behind on a Tuesday night to help with their SATS boosters. SATS week will commence the week beginning 12th May 2025 and will last the whole week.

Personal belongings

Please can we ask that personal belongings be kept to a minimum. Children do not need to bring in toys, dressing up costumes, pencil cases, jewellery etc. This has caused some upset when things have been lost or broken.

Sporting achievements

Well done to our Year 5 children who are in the final of the Newcastle Hoops for Health basketball competition. This will be played at the Eagles Arena next month.

Congratulations to our Year5/6 boys football team who after winning the small school county championship will go on to represent the county in the next round.

Staff Training

Change of Date

Our next school training date was due to be Monday 3rd March. Unfortunately, that date has had to be changed to **Friday 11th April**. Therefore, school will be closed to the children on that date. My apologies for the inconvenience this may cause.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Duncan and all the staff at St Alban's.