

# ST. ALBAN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# September 27th 2019 Newsletter

Dear parents

This Sunday's Gospel we read about poor Lazarus, suffering at the rich man's gate- and the rich man does nothing to help him. It's easy for us to become so caught up in the busyness of life that we don't even notice the needs of others or, worse still, ignore them. But Jesus repeatedly teaches us about fairness, sharing and kindness to others. So, as St Ralph Sherwin says, let's not put off until tomorrow the good that we can do today.

"The Gospel invites us to be open to others, to share with the poor."

Pope Francis

# **Safeguarding**

As you know we place the upmost priority on making sure all of our children feel safe. We welcomed colleagues from the NSPCC into school this week to talk to the children about feeling safe and who to talk to if they don't feel safe.

A reminder for parents that if you have any safeguarding concerns about any children in school. The Designated Safeguarding Leads are myself (Mr Monaghan), Mrs Johnson and Mrs Wilson. Our safeguarding governor is Mrs Clare Cuomo who can be contacted via the school office. We also have an out of hours e-mail for any concerns that need to be shared with the school during holidays-safeguarding@stalbans.derby.sch.uk

#### **Christmas Card competition.**

Details about this will be coming home with your child over the next few days.

## **Parish Ambassadors**

The school Parish Ambassadors would like to inform every one of the forthcoming social events at church. The form is attached to the newsletter. Please complete and return to Fr David or if you prefer to send it into school, the ambassadors will ensure it gets to him.

#### **KS1** Warwick Castle visit

Year 1 and 2 will be visiting the castle on Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup>. Online payment is now available. Please can you make sure you also tick the consent box.

#### **Y6** Briars Residential

Y6 will have their residential visit to the Briars next year from Monday, May 18<sup>th</sup> until Friday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> 2020. There will be a meeting on **Wednesday**, **April 22<sup>nd</sup> 2020** to finalise the arrangements and to give out all forms that need signing. A reminder will be sent out closer to the date. Online payment is available. Please ensure you tick the consent box.

#### **Parent's Evening meetings**

These will be held on Tuesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, Wednesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> and Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup>. Mrs Leatherland, Miss Liddane, Mrs Foottit, Mrs Mendonca and Mrs James will start their Parent's Evening meetings at 4:15pm on the 24th, just in case of a delay getting back from Warwick Castle. All other classes meetings will start at 3:40pm on all three days.

#### **Altar Servers**

Training for New & Existing Servers from St Hugh's, St Alban's & Oakwood Saturday 28th September at St Alban's 10am till 11.30am. This will then be followed up with an extra practice for new servers at each church.

# Menu Change Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>

The menu for today is burger/chicken nuggets/veggie nuggets/fries/biscuit/milkshake. Salad bar/fruit will be available as usual.

#### Road works on Nottingham Road

Please be aware that the road works are causing delays which may impact on school pickup at the end of the school day. If you use this road, please check for an alternative route. The road will be closed for ten weeks. Diversion signs are in place.

#### **Aldi's Kit for Schools**

This September, Aldi's Kit for Schools promotion is giving 20 primary schools the chance to win £20,000 to kick-start a healthy legacy for their school. Get Set to Eat Fresh, Aldi and Team GB's award-winning schools programme, is committed to improving the healthy eating habits of 1.2 million children by 2020. What's more, every school who enters by completing their Aldi's Kit for Schools poster will also receive an exclusive school sports kit. Whenever you spend £30 in store you will be given a sticker to *send into school* to be put on the poster.

## **After School Clubs**

A variety of after school clubs are available.

Monday Drama 3:45pm until 4:45 pm

Tuesday Bricks 4 Kidz Lego

Wednesday Dodgeball / Spaghetti Maths

Thursday Central Soccer Friday Gymnastics

Guitar and piano lessons are also available during the school day for Y1 children upwards. Please contact sam@linklearning.education for availability and prices

#### Coats/Uniforms

If you have any coats or uniform, in good condition, please would you consider sending them into school. As we approach the wet, muddy, winter months, it is always handy to have spare clothes in school.

# Permission slip/ contact details.

If you change address or mobile numbers, please notify the school office with the new information. It would also be helpful to have at least two emergency contact numbers.

If any permissions have changed, or simply if you would like to check we have the correct information, please contact Mrs Cartlidge in the school office.

Information is sent by text and email. If you receive a text saying an email has been sent and you do not receive it, please contact the school office.

Hope you have a good weekend!

Mr Monaghan