St Alban's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter to Parents

June 10th 2019

Dear Parents,

The children really enjoyed the visit of the theatre company on Friday with "The Legend of King Arthur" so many thanks to the H.S.A for funding this treat for them. The next H.S.A meeting is on Wednesday at 2pm so please do come along and join them to help with organising the Summer Fair.

This week we say goodbye to Mrs Murray for a little while as she leaves to start her maternity leave on Thursday. We wish all the best for a safe delivery and a happy summer with her new addition to the family.

With best wishes,

Mrs C.L. Frost Headteacher





SCHOOL DAY - CHANGE OF HOME TIME

We are finding that organising timetables is increasingly challenging due to the demands of the school curriculum. In particular, since the introduction of the additional reading time for Accelerated Reader, it is quite difficult fitting everything in! This additional time for reading was our decision but we are really seeing the benefits for the children. We are therefore proposing a slight change to the end of the school day: Infants would finish at 3.20pm and Juniors at 3.30pm. Although only ten minutes, it will just ease things a little for us making the timetable work more effectively.

This proposal has been to Governors and we are now consulting with parents on this change. If you have any views on this change that you would like to be considered, please put these in writing and return it to school by Monday June 24th. Responses will then be considered at the final governors meeting of the year when a decision will be made. Any changes agreed will take effect from September 2019. Many thanks for your help with this.



St. Alban's Primary School Home School Association

Please come along to the next H.S.A meeting to help with planning for this terms events including the Summer Fair

> Wednesday June 12th - 2pm in school Everyone welcome – tea/coffee available We need your help!!

PACKED LUNCHES

Many of our children have packed lunch every day and it is often very clear the effort many parents make to ensure the children are having varied and healthy packed lunches. We are a little concerned however, that some children are sent in with large amounts of chocolate and/or crisps.

It is our responsibility to encourage parents to send the children in with a sensible and healthy lunch so please can I request the following:

- All children should have one main element that we will encourage them to eat first. This could be a sandwich, wrap or filled pitta, cold pasta/rice/ couscous salad, crackers and cheese etc,
- Please include if you can a vegetable and/or fruit item such as a banana, apple, some grapes or a little tub of salad, tomatoes, carrot or cucumber sticks with humous etc
- Children can have a snack item such as a yoghurt or rice pot or other items that are handy for lunchboxes such as breadsticks, dried fruit, rice cakes or pretzels.
- Some parents may choose to include a packet of crisps or small bar BUT PLEASE limit this. Bars should only be small ones the ones sold in multi-packs for snacks and absolutely <u>NOT full size chocolate bars.</u>
- The best option for drinks is water or no sugar added squash or fruit juice. Please do not send in fizzy drinks or large bottles of sugary drinks.

I know most parents make great efforts with this and I'm often amazed at the delicious healthy options that are included so thank you for that.

Also, in line with our responsibility to encourage healthy eating, we do not allow sweets, chocolate or cakes to be sent in by parents for birthdays or other occasions. It can cause difficulties also for children who have allergies or are not permitted certain items so please do not send them in to school. We do occasionally have special "party" days in school but we are careful to manage pupils needs around this. Thank you for your understanding with this.

SUMMER TERM SCHOOL EVENTS COMING UP!

Wednesday June 12th Y5 to Upton Hall Thursday June 13th "Kinball" for Y5 & Y6 in school Friday June 14th **Class 10 Assembly** Tuesday June 18th **New Parents Induction Meeting** Wednesday June 19th Y4 Vikings Day in school Thursday June 20th 1.30pm First Communion Celebration Mass Friday June 21st Class 6 Assembly 9.15am Tuesday June 25th Y2 Trip to Liverpool Museum Y1 Trip to Claremont Farm Wednesday June 26th Infants Sports (am only) Thursday June 27th Y3/4/5 School Disco Monday July 1st Y3 Celts Trip

Wednesday July 3rd

- Y5 to St. Mary's
- Infant Sports <u>Reserve</u> date*
- PARENTS EVENING

<u>Thursday July 4th</u> Y5 trip to Speke Hall <u>Saturday July 6th</u> - SUMMER FAIR 12pm <u>Wednesday July</u> 10th – Induction Day for Y6 Secondary School Visits <u>Friday July 12th</u> Junior Sports (am only) <u>Sunday July 14th 9.30am</u> Children's Mass at St. Alban's <u>Tuesday July 16th</u> • Junior Sports Reserve date*

Jumor Sports <u>Reserve</u> date
7pm Y6 Summer Production

Wednesday July 17th - Y6 Trip Thursday July 18th

- 9.30am Y6 Leavers Mass
- 5pm Leavers Disco Friday July 19th

Break up from school! 1.45pm finish

* Reserve dates in place in case of cancellation due to poor weather