

St Alban's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter to Parents

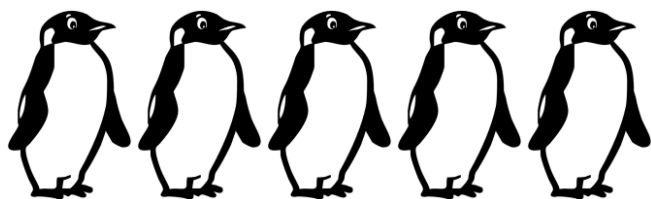
October 2nd 2019

Dear Parents,

Some of you will know that a small group of Y4 children represented the school at the naming of the RRS Sir David Attenborough last week in the presence of Sir David himself along with the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge. It was a very exciting event to be part of and our penguins were wonderful! The term is flying by already and next week we would like to invite our Grandparents in for an hour or so in the morning to see a little more of the school. Please read carefully about how this will work as we did change things last year to make things a little more manageable. Also, please note we have a non-uniform day on Friday to try and raise funds for CAFOD – details overleaf.

With best wishes,

Mrs C. L. Frost
Headteacher



Grandparents Morning

We will be having our Grandparents open morning in school next week but the huge success and popularity of this event meant we had to make some changes last year to keep it safe and enjoyable for everyone – these really helped so we will do the same this year.

The event will now take place over two mornings and grandparents will need to book places on one **OR** other of the mornings available with 2 places available per family. Grandparents will be issued with a welcome ticket which they will complete and hand in on the morning to prevent queues for signing in. Grandparents will be able to join the children in class for prayers and an activity with school tours available to F2 grandparents who are new to the school led by Y6 pupils.

Grandparents will be able to attend on Tuesday October 8th OR Wednesday October 9th

This event is for grandparents only and parents and other family members are **not** able to attend; much as we would love to have everyone we must limit numbers.

The event will last from 9am to approximately 10.30am.

A letter with a reply slip will follow tomorrow.



Stay and Pray - Tomorrow

Thursday is our first Stay and Pray of the year. Please come in at 9am (10-15 mins) to join the children in class for morning prayers. Stay and Pray happens on the first Thursday every month.



**Wear your brightest clothes
on Friday October 4th
to raise funds for
CAFOD**

The children are invited to dress up in their brightest clothes this Friday to raise money for the CAFOD Harvest Appeal. No need to wear anything special - just something bright and colourful! CAFOD works in some of the most challenging parts of the world with some of the poorest children and families. They provide emergency funding in crisis situations but also fund long term projects to enable people to support themselves (like farming tools, seeds and goats), build wells and clean water supplies and schools and medical facilities. Please help us raise as much as we can. A suggested donation of £1 per pupil will enable us to raise nearly £400 - please help us hit this target - this money will be helping to save lives! The day before our event, the children will bring home a small envelope for the donation which should be brought back the next day for our collection. Thank you in advance for your support.

AUTUMN TERM PARENTS EVENING

**Will be Tuesday October 22nd
OR Thursday October 24th.
Appointments will be
sent out soon.**

New Starters – September 2020

**Please tell friends, relations,
neighbours the time to register for
school next September is NOW.**
These need to be done on-line via the
Wirral LA website. If you would like
help doing it on-line or do not have
internet access, then please come in
and we can help you. We would be
pleased to make appointments for
anyone who would like to look round
the school before completing forms.
Please book via the school office.

Waiting Before School

School starts at 9.00am but doors are open at 8.45am to ease congestion and allow a gradual arrival which hopefully makes it easier for everyone. There should be no need for anyone to be outside much earlier than 8.45am and I would ask that parents of children who walk to school on their own ensure that they do not leave too early. They must arrive after 8.45am so that they can come straight into school and are not waiting, unsupervised outside. There should be **no ball games or running around** outside the doors prior to 8.45am as this could easily lead to an accident or injury and disturbs our neighbours.

It would also be helpful if parents could say goodbye outside or in the porch area so that we can see all the children coming in more easily. Our little ones are now starting to come in through the main doors so please take care as they are coming in. Please understand that all this is to ensure that our children are safe coming in to school.
Thank you.

Half-term break

**We break up on Friday October 25th - usual hometime (no early finish)
and we return on Monday November 4th – later than usual this year!**