



St Alban's C of E Primary School

HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER TO PARENTS

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Dear Parents

This will be my last newsletter before the end of the academic year and it will once again be time to say goodbye to our current Year 6 and welcome a new Reception Class to the school in September.



The children all had a 'moving up' session yesterday, which gave them a small insight into what to expect next year.

SUMMER CONCERT - WELL DONE!



The KS2 summer concert last night was fantastic! All the children performed to such a high standard and obviously enjoy their music a great deal. Well done to all the performers and a special thank you to Miss Barrett and all the teachers involved who put together such a wonderful programme.

LEAVERS' ASSEMBLY

Another reminder that the Year 6 Leavers' Assembly will be on Monday 25 July, starting at 9.10am.



KIDZONE



We have had a great response to our new clubs starting in September. Please note that children are unable to attend Kidzone without a registration form being completed; so even if you only want the occasional day, but are unsure of requirements yet, please complete a form at the school office before the end of term. Parents who have registered will receive further details soon. If you wish to discuss anything further, please contact Gill Wrixon on 07976 611713.

LAST DAY AT SCHOOL AND END OF TERM EUCHARIST



Tuesday 26 July is the last day at school for the children and we will be holding our End of Term Eucharist at St Alban's Church. The service will begin at 2.30pm and parents are welcome to walk with us, leaving school at 2.00pm, or join us at the church.

The service will finish at 3.30pm and children should be collected from the church at this time. **If you have not collected your child from the church, they will be brought back to school.**

As we will be walking to church, your child will only need to bring the following with them on Tuesday:

- Coat (we will walk whatever the weather!)
- Hat
- Packed Lunch in a disposable bag or container (School dinners will be cooked as normal)
- No** book bags please
- No** water bottles please - water will be available during the day at school.

THANK YOU



I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all of our parents who have helped out in the classrooms, on trips, with HSA events, sports day, assembly refreshments and in any other capacity. Your support is valued by us all and makes our school a special place.

UNIFORM DONATIONS



We would be very grateful for any donations of second hand uniform and PE kits, including plimsolls, at the end of term (particularly Years 5 and 6) so that our stock of spares can be increased. Thank you.

INSTRUMENTAL LESSONS



Instrumental lessons next term will start on Wednesday 7 September and School Band practice will start after school on Thursday 8 September (3.30-4.30pm). This will involve all current members of the band and also those children who are invited by their teacher to join in September.

Lesson Times

Piano	Monday all day
Violin	Thursday
Guitar	Wednesday morning
Brass	Thursday
Woodwind	Tuesday morning

Children will be told next term the exact days/times of their lessons.

Beginners

All children who have chosen to start learning an instrument will be seen by their new teachers and will be allocated a regular lesson time.



BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY



Sunday 25 September is 'Back to Church' Sunday and our choir have been invited to St Alban's Church to lead action songs and Year 5 will be performing a dramatic version of a reading. Please put this date in your diaries and support our children on this day.

TEACHER AND PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS

Please put these important dates in your diary. Sessions will be in the classrooms and start at 3.00pm. Please enter the school via the office.

Monday 12 September	Year 4
Tuesday 13 September	Year 3
Wednesday 14 September	Year 5 *
Thursday 15 September	Year 2
Friday 16 September	Year 1
Monday 3 October	Year 6 **

*followed by a meeting for parents and children at 3.30pm regarding the Stubbington trip.

**An information evening for Year 6 parents will be held on Monday 3 October at 5.00pm. This will last approximately 45 minutes and include information about secondary school applications.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Tues 26 July	End of term Eucharist and last day of term
Wed 27 July	Staff Training Day
Mon 5 Sept	Staff Inset Day
Tues 6 Sept	Staff Inset Day
Wed 7 Sept	Children return to school
Fri 7 Oct	Harvest Festival
Thurs 3 Nov	English Day
Thurs 10 Nov	Parents' Evening
Wed 16 Nov	Parents' Evening
Thurs 1 Dec	Christmas Fair
Fri 2 Dec	School Christmas Dinner
Wed 7 Dec	KS2 concert (afternoon)
Thurs 8 Dec	KS2 concert (evening)
Mon 12 Dec	KS1 Nativity (morning)
	KS1 Party (afternoon)
Tues 13 Dec	Y3/4 Party (afternoon)
Wed 14 Dec	Y5/6 Party (afternoon)
Thurs 15 Dec	Pantomime (afternoon)
Fri 16 Dec	End of term Eucharist

With best wishes