



St Alban's C of E Aided Primary School
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WEEKLY BULLETIN 13TH FEBRUARY 2026

Headteacher Message

Dear Parents/carers,

Thank you to all of you who were able to attend your child's Learning Quest celebration this week. As always, these are really great events and the children enjoy these and sharing some of their learning with you - their parents - is a real highlight. It's also a great opportunity to see all of the home learning that has been completed throughout the half term. The next round of Learning Quest Celebrations will happen w.c. 18th May - this is also Science Week and Walk to School Week - so add the date to your diary now.

Home Learning

Home Learning is set at the beginning of each half term for years 1-6 and is on the reverse of the Learning Quest Overviews which are sent home at the beginning of each half term when our quests change. These are also available on our website:

<https://www.stalbansprimaryschool.co.uk/learning-quests-and-home-learning>

Your child may also bring home further tasks on an 'ad-hoc' basis when their teacher feels this is necessary: please do check their book bags. Additional weekly home learning is set in year 6 via Google Classroom to support readiness for SATs and secondary school. As we move into the second half of the school year, this will also apply to year 5.

HSA Fundraising for a new Trim Trail

The HSA and the children have decided to join forces to help raise as much money as we possibly can for a new 'trim-trail'. We are very much in the design stage and need every child's help in designing the new playground. If you would like an activity to do this half term, why not create a new design for our much needed replacement. The design can be any size you like. Think about your favourite things to do when you go to a park. What type of climbing do you enjoy? Why not have a look on the internet for some ideas! I'm looking forward to seeing your designs very soon!

Have a wonderful half term break...whatever the weather! I look forward to seeing you all at **8.45am** on **Monday 23rd February** for the second half of the Spring term.

We aim to be a
NUT FREE
SCHOOL - Please
DO NOT include
ANY products that
contain **ANY** types
of **NUTS** in your
child's
lunch/snack.

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Ofsted



Read our report ↗

Safer Internet Day - Tuesday 10th February 2026

We provide parents with information about how to keep their child safe online through letters, resources on our website and through information meetings and workshops.

We also teach children how to stay safe when using the internet and other technologies through our e-safety curriculum. It is essential that all parents remain vigilant to the dangers posed when children are online and have appropriate safeguards in place at home.

This year's focus during Safer Internet Day is **"Smart tech, safe choices – Exploring the safe and responsible use of AI."** We will be gathering as a whole school to develop understanding further and KS2 classes will be taking part in the live BBC lesson at 11am on Tuesday morning.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/live-lessons/articles/zcbhdnb#zx9vmbk>



Useful resources from the UK Safer Internet Centre:

Top tips for parents and carers:
<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2026/top-tips-for-parents-and-carers>

Top tips for children and young people:
<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2026/top-tips-for-young-people>

You can find more information here:
<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2026>

Have you seen the weekly #WakeUpWednesday posters? You can find them - and lots of other great online safety resources - on our website:
<https://www.stalbansprimaryschool.co.uk/online-safety>

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You said, we did...

Last year, parents felt that there were too many invitations to come into school for assemblies, Learning Quest celebrations, Celebration Worship etc...

This year, we have reduced these to:

- A Celebration Worship that parents are invited to at the end of each half term if your child is receiving an award
- Learning Quest Celebrations at the end of a half term only

Is there anything that you would like to see the return of? Anything you would like to be invited to more often?

Please let us know!

Hampshire Parent Carer Network SEND Survey 2026

Shared on behalf of Paul Richardson,
Chair of Hampshire Parent Carer Network

Survey link:

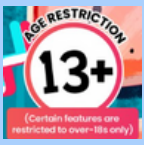
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HPCN2026>

The feedback collected helps inform the Local Area Partnership Board's analysis and contributes directly to the combined SEND Self-Evaluation Framework.

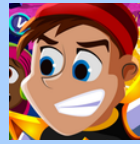
To encourage participation, there is a prize draw funded by the Parent Carer Forum with prizes of £150, £100 and £50.



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Safeguarding: Wake Up Wednesday!



This week's **#WakeUpWednesday** focuses on fostering a sense of belonging.

Helping children feel like they belong is vital for their emotional wellbeing, academic success, and overall development. A true sense of belonging reduces anxiety, builds confidence, and supports resilience. These ten tips are designed to help parents and educators create inclusive, caring environments where children feel accepted, safe, and valued.

This will be added to the website <https://www.stalbansprimaryschool.co.uk/onlinesafety> and shared on our school Facebook page each week.

Uniform Reminders

When purchasing new school uniform, please consult our uniform policy:

<https://www.stalbansprimaryschool.co.uk/policies/>

IMPORTANT:

PE kits **MUST** be a PLAIN NAVY TRACKSUIT or SHORTS - no stripes or logos. T-SHIRTS must be a PLAIN WHITE POLO STYLE.

Check out the new designs - available from Skoolkit!

We want to continue to look smart and if we all follow the uniform guidelines, we will. Please also remember trainers should be BLACK and with discrete, or preferably, NO LOGO.

Attendance and Punctuality

"Every day of school missed is a day stolen from a child's future,"
Bridget Phillipson (Education Secretary), August 2025

Whole school - 94.4% (national 94.7%)

PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD IS IN SCHOOL EVERY DAY UNLESS THEY ARE REALLY UNWELL; if you child feels under-the-weather, please send them into school and we can see how they go!

Average attendance by class to date:

- Oak (R) - 91.9%
- Cherry (1) - 92%
- Rowan (2) - 96.1%
- Birch (3) - 93.9%
- Hawthorn (4) - 94.7%
- Lime (5) - 96.8%
- Alder (6) - 95.4%



If you are unsure whether to keep your child off school if they are unwell, please look at this page on our website:

<https://www.stalbansprimaryschool.co.uk/attendance>

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Celebrations



Headteacher Awards go to: **Lily-Rose, Ivy, Nancy and Freddie**

Our Pupil First Aiders are: **Ava, Nadia, Isaac, Jess** (Year 5)

Pupil First Aiders was their idea and they have put together schedule of tasks they can do to help during break times. This has been checked by Mr Symmonds and Mrs Goldsworthy to ensure everyone stays safe.

This half term we are focusing on the learning skill of **CREATIVITY**. These children have been chosen for the special award presented each half term - as their creativity has shone through this half term!

- Year R - Lily-Rose, Sofia
- Year 1 - Quinn, Freddie
- Year 2 - Lilli-Anna, Ella
- Year 3 - Freddy, Ruby
- Year 4 - Olivia, Luca
- Year 5 - Laila-Rae, Dominic
- Year 6 - Carson, Hunter



Check your details!

Have you purchased a new phone? Has your mobile number changed? Maybe you have you moved house recently?

If so, please remember to let the office know!

If you would like to check that your details are up to date or if you need to make any changes, please email the office and these details can be checked and updated for you.

World Book Week Events!

Please see the attached posters regarding further events taking place during Book Week!

THE GREAT ST ALBAN'S READ OFF!

Reading can take you anywhere!

Get lost in a good book!

Tuesday 3rd March 3:30-5pm
The School Hall

Bring your grown ups and sample books from different stations to build your recipe for reading!

READING IS FUN!

Dive into a book!

WRITE YOUR OWN STORY OR CREATE YOUR OWN BOOK REVIEW COMPETITION!

SUBMIT BY WEDNESDAY 4TH MARCH 2026

FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN A BRAND NEW BOOK!

SUBMIT YOUR ENTRIES TO THE LIBRARY

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Collective Worship

This week we focused on the theme of **Belonging** as part of Children's Mental Health Week. We explored how we can help everyone to belong and thought about what we could do this week to help everyone belong.

**'See how much the Father has loved us!
His love is so great that we are called God's children – and so, in fact we are.'**

1 John 3 1



**Dear God,
Thank You that You made me,
and that I am special to You.
Thank You for my friends, my family,
and everyone who cares for me.**

**Help me to remember
that I am never alone.**

Amen

All of our Collective Worships can be found on our website
<https://www.stalbansprimaryschool.co.uk/collective-worship-2>

INSET DAYS 2025-2026

The remainder of the INSET days for this academic year are:

Friday 1st May 2026

Friday 3rd July 2026

Please make a note of these. The website will also be updated and we will continue to remind you on bulletins throughout the year.

Parking Reminders

We remind parents to please park considerately. We continue to receive reports of cars parked in a way that blocks St Alban's Road - please be mindful and consider parking further away to keep access free for large vehicles such as buses and emergency services.

Reminders for 23.02.2026

REMINDER:

We are **WEEK 2** of the menu when we return to school on 23/02/2026

23/02/2026

Start of Spring 2

Southern Music Project continues

Y6 Alder Learners Club continues,
3.30pm-4.30pm

26/02/2026

Y5 Trip to Winchester Science
Centre

Headteacher:
Mrs Sarah Goldsworthy BA QTS NPQH

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