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*In the light of Jesus, we love together, hope together
and learn together*

Autumn Term 2024 Newsletter No.9

Dear Parents/Carers



Co-operation

Certificate Awards for Children's Work and Efforts. Well Done this week to:

Co-operation Award

Year R - Ayaan
Year 1 - Rosie
Year 2 - Sultan
Year 3 - Nancy
Year 4 - Vanisa
Year 5 - Alishba Ha
Year 6 - Safaa

Workers of the week

Year R - N & Reception Class
Year 1 - Sami
Year 2 - Lily-Mae
Year 3 - the Whole Class
Year 4 - Malaika
Year 5 - Sam
Year 6 - Abbas

Star Reader Award

Year 1 - Sonia
Year 2 - Tilly
Year 3 - Olivia
Year 4 - Eliza
Year 5 - Alishba Hu
Year 6 - Kyan

Attendance Fast Track

Please see the attached letter regarding our participation in the Fast Track to Improving Attendance Pathway in consultation with the Local Authority.

Good Attendance remains a high priority at St Alban's and I would like to thank you in advance for working with us to ensure that our attendance figures continue to improve.

In addition, can I remind you that you must ring school every day that your child is absent to inform us of the reason.

Any holidays taken in term time must be with prior consent from the school but are unlikely to be authorised unless there are exceptional circumstances and may incur a penalty notice if the child reaches the absence threshold.

Are you looking for a place in Nursery or Reception Class?

We have Nursery and Reception class places available now or for September 2025.

If you would like to come and visit a school rated Good in All Areas by OFSTED (Sept-24) please pop in to our Open Afternoon between 1:30pm and 5:30pm on Wednesday 13th November. To see our wonderful school and nursery or ask questions you will need to book a time slot beforehand on 01254 57582.

Also please see the two Nursery posters below.

Sports

This week some of our Year 5 & 6 children attended the Blackburn Jag Tag event run by Edstart at Soccerdome. The children's behaviour was exemplary. Mehad in Year 6 won a most valued player award and Laaibah in Year 5 got the award for most improved player. Well done children!

YN/YR Walk

On Wednesday our Nursery and Reception children enjoyed an Autumn walk in sunny Accrington. They had a wonderful time and were beautifully behaved.

Christmas Concert

The Year 6 children are attending a Christmas Concert at Vitoria Hall, Bolton in the afternoon on 29th November.

Christmas Activity dates to follow in next Newsletter.

Attendance.

Well done to the Year 4 who received the Attendance Award week. They had the best attendance in the school with 98.5% attendance.

Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
93.6%	84.8%	93.2%	93.5%	98.5%	95%	98.3%

Diary Dates

20th November, Wednesday, 09:15 - Year 3 Class Mass

29th November, Friday afternoon - Year 6 Christmas Concert in Bolton

Mrs C. Speakman



Date: 05/11/2024



Dear Parent/Carer

FAST TRACK TO IMPROVING ATTENDANCE

Blackburn with Darwen working in partnership with St. Alban's RC Primary School

St. Alban's RC Primary School and Inclusion Team are working together to improve school attendance.

St. Alban's RC Primary School will now consider using the Fast Track to Improving Attendance Pathway in partnership with the local authority to assist schools and families in managing and promoting good school attendance.

An indication of a student having difficulties is often visible through their school attendance. Our experience tells us that there are a variety of reasons why children are off school. These may include instances of ill health, feelings of being behind with work creating worry, anxiety, lack of motivation due to being out of routine, financial difficulties, parental separation etc.

If we can identify any of these issues at an early stage, it is our aim to ensure that the appropriate support can be put in place for our children, young people and their families.

We know that regular school attendance is vital for children to achieve their full potential both academically and socially.

The Fast Track to Improving Attendance Pathway encourages us to work together to ensure each child's attendance is at an acceptable level and where appropriate enable you to seek support through the school and other services to assist in improving your child's attendance. In essence this is an early intervention strategy aiming to prevent absence becoming entrenched and to enable children to attend school regularly and on time.

The pathway runs for 8 weeks to assist parents in making attendance improvements.

Failure to make improvements could lead to prosecution in the Magistrates Court and result in a fine of up to £1000.

Where a family is considered for the Fast Track to Improving Attendance Pathway, we will write to you directly to inform you, and at that point you will receive further information regarding the process.

If you are currently experiencing any difficulties with school attendance, please speak to us at the earliest opportunity to try and resolve the issues.

Yours sincerely

Mrs.C. Speakman and Mrs. D. Boardman

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ST ALBAN'S R.C
PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY

We welcome children and families of all faiths and none.

We have spaces available throughout the school!



"St Alban's is a warm and friendly school where everyone is welcome."

"Pupils behave well in lessons and enjoy positive interactions with their friends"

"Children in early years gather round and become engrossed in stories"

Contact the school to arrange a viewing
01254 57582

"Pupils benefit from a rich curriculum from early years to year 6"

Quotes from
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**FREE 15 & 30 HOUR
PLACES AVAILABLE IN
NURSERY LED BY A
FULLY QUALIFIED
TEACHER**



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**We create a stimulating
environment to encourage
children to learn through a
play-based approach to indoor
and outdoor learning!**

**Not entitled to 30 hours?
Would you like more than 15
hours? We offer flexible top-
up sessions at £15 per
session**

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