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# Newsletter

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## New Building

It was wonderful to see so many parents and neighbours at our information sessions last week. This is a unique opportunity for our school community to develop the learning environment for the children currently at St. Albert's and for generations to come. For this reason we are keen to gather views from everyone who is involved with our school. The plans continue to be on display in the entrance of the school, along with suggestion slips, for your perusal.

## Reports

This year we have decided to break with tradition and will be sending written reports out to KS1 and KS2 parents and carers in February rather than in July. We will then hold parents' evening in the Summer term. We have made this decision so that parents can become more informed and involved in their children's achievements and the next steps in their learning at an earlier stage of the academic year. As in previous years once the reports have been distributed class teachers will be available to speak with individual parents about any important matters relating to their children's schooling. Foundation Stage children will receive their report in July and parents will have an opportunity to meet with their class teacher to discuss their child's progress after half term.

## Parking

Thank you to all the parents who park in the church car park or at a distance from the school and then walk the last part of the journey. This is really appreciated by children, other parents and our neighbours as, unfortunately, there continues to be problems with some parents parking inconsiderately, and even unsafely, along Acorn Road and Sylvan Close.

As a community our children's safety should be our main priority, with their education being a close second. We should be teaching them road safety and setting an example to them about looking after one another and considering other people's needs and feelings.

PLEASE COULD ALL PARENTS REFRAIN FROM PARKING AT DANGEROUS ANGLES, ON THE PAVEMENT AND ACROSS NEIGHBOURS' DRIVEWAYS.

## Sports News

Great team work and passionate playing by our school football team meant that their spectators were treated to a thrilling match when they played against Boxmoor Primary School at home on Friday evening. Despite incisive playing and a goal scored by Michael Ochser, the team, of seven Year 5 players and two Year 6 players, were beaten 1-4. The final score did not reflect the strategic passing and desperate defending of all the boys on the team. Thank you and well done to **Aiden Harper, Anthony Burchell, Gun Whee Kim, Callum Ballard, Ryan Adam, Edan Brookes, Will Hamilton, Michael Ochser and Harry Woor**



We wish you luck for the return match at Boxmoor Primary on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February.

## Wet Playtime Games and Rainy Day Books



As the Wintery weather persists we will continue to let the children play outside when the weather permits. However, on rainy days the children will stay inside their classrooms during break and lunch times. If you have any games that you no longer need that are in good condition we would welcome them so that the children can play and have fun inside. We would also appreciate donations of 'Rainy Day Books' which the children can also use during this extra time inside. These can be note or colouring-in books, all will be gratefully received.

## Reminders from the Office:

Please note that all **dinner money** for this half term should now paid.

If you still have any outstanding amounts please send it in with your child, in a named envelope, to hand in at tomorrow's registration. Cheques are to be made payable to Herts.C.C. Thank you.

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**Swimming and Music fees** for this Spring term are due before Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February, also PGL payments are due if paying by monthly installments. Cheques are to be made payable to St. Albert the Great Catholic Primary.

## Good News

	<u>Star of the Week</u>	<u>Finer Diner</u>
Foundation Stage 1	Kian Cox	
Foundation Stage 2	Ellie Brennan	Freddie Frogell-Mason
Year 1:	Ashley Harding	Anne Marie Chijuka
Year 2:	Alekhya Jillellamudi	Jessica Anderton
Year 3:	Kayla Davies	Dillon Beirne
Year 4:	Michael Hancock	Michael Hancock
Year 5:	The whole class	Sophia Young
Year 6:	Harry Woor	Hanna Beckers
Breakfast Club	Heather Hanna	



**20 Excellence House Points:** Congratulations to **Aaron Harburn, Shekya Jillellamudi, Annie Burchell, Jenna White and Kayla Grace** for obtaining their 'Excellence' wristbands.

**20 Determination House Points:** Congratulations to **Jessica Buzzle** for obtaining her 'Determination' wristband.

**Times table Challenge:** **Fiona Stinton, Michael Allain, Grace Miller, Cory Freeman and James Watts**

Classes of the Week: **Year 2** and **Year 4**

Attendance winners of the Week: **Year 2 (98.3%)**

## Birthdays

Some children in our school will be celebrating their birthday during the next week. Oliver Leung, Florence Durrant, Sandra McDonagh, George Taylor, Charlie Ward. We hope you have a wonderful day.



## Upcoming Events

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February

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**Year 4** Athletics Festival at JFK (4:00-5:30pm)

**Year 2** visiting Our Lady's

**Year 6** Class Mass (11:00am)

Football match against St.Pauls Primary (Home)

Hertfordshire Schools' Athletic Association Cross Country Championships

**Year 5** Adoration at Our Lady's

**Year 1** visiting Our Lady's Church

**Year 6** Open Afternoon (3:00pm)

KS1 Gymnastics Festival 4.00-5.15pm at JFK

Good News Assembly with outside certificates (9:05am)

Dacorum School Sports Network Valentine's Disco at The Cavendish School



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