



St. Albert the Great Catholic School

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"The more I learn about the world in which I live the closer I grow to God"

Dear Parents and Children of St. Albert the Great,

It was a busy week last week, but one which demonstrated what a special community the St. Albert the Great family is. We celebrated the beginning of term with a Mass at Our Lady's Church and the children appreciated seeing parents, governors and parishioners sharing this special occasion with them. This was followed on Wednesday with the FS2 parents sharing lunch with their children in school. Mrs Stewart, our school cook, worked hard to cook all the lunches and her hard work paid off as the children enjoyed the experience and their parents were able to meet the lunchtime staff and see the daily routines in action.

The House Captain elections took place on Thursday and all the children seem inspired to win house points for their houses and to work together to win the cup, we shall see how they get on.

I wish you all a good week,



Mrs L. Fleming
Head teacher

Certificate Winners

FS1: Gabriel Ahi

FS2: Joshua Brooks

Year 1: Sebastian Linares

Year 2: Dillon Beirne

Year 3: Nathan Tavernier

Year 4: Jazmine Tunstall

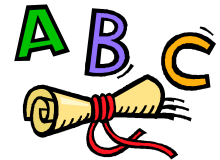
Year 5: Macauley Crain

Year 6: Theodora Kazoglu

Classes of the Week: Years 1&2 and Years 4 & 5

Attendance winners of the Week: Year 1 (100%) and

Year 4 (98.7)



Congratulations to you all.

House Captains

- Congratulations to our Year 6 pupils who were elected House Captains
- St. Elizabeth: Lillie Miles and Victoria Rogers
- St. Bernadette: Vincent Murray and Marianna Ditri
- St. John the Baptist: Jamie Jevon and Samuel Masters
- St. Francis: Chloe Brooks and Nathan Baker

Reception parents are invited to select library books with their children on Monday and Tuesday mornings from 8:40am to 9:00am with a prompt return to the classroom at 9:00am!

Prayer of the Month

Bless us as we start this new school year with our friends and teachers
Help us to make the most of every chance we have to start afresh.
May we show love to one another and to all.



EXCITING NEWS ... THE YEAR 5 AND 6 LAPTOPS HAVE ARRIVED AND BEEN INSTALLED IN SCHOOL. WE WILL LET YOU KNOW HOW THE CLASSES ARE GETTING ON WITH THEM IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS.

A gentle reminder about uniform

Below is a quote from the school Uniform Policy:

'JEWELLERY

Only plain gold or silver stud earrings can be worn. Watches should be a sensible size and removed during PE lessons. All other jewellery is not permitted for safety reasons.

HAIR

Plain, black, white or red hair accessories to allow hair to be kept out of children's faces. Make up, nail varnish or hair products such as colouring, gel etc should not be worn to school. In these instances children will be asked to wash off products.'

This week's events

Monday 27 th September	Foundation Stage 2 Welcome Assembly (9:05am)
Tuesday 28 th September	Year 6 Mass (11:00am)
Thursday 30 th September	Harvest Festival (10:00am)
Friday 1 st October	Good news assembly (9:05am)

A notice to our Year 6 parents.

Don't forget the JFK open evening on Wednesday 6th October at 6:30pm and the open morning on Wednesday 13th October at 9:30am. When you have made your decision about which secondary schools you would like to apply to there are two forms that you may need to complete:

1. The Local Authority form or online
2. The school's Supplementary Information Form (if you are applying to a Catholic school).

This year you will not be required to complete a Priest's reference form but will be asked to enclose a copy of your child's baptismal certificate. If you are non-Catholic but would like to apply to JFK them you will still have to ask you Minister to complete a form. For more details please contact JFK.

In a change from previous years the 'Moving-on' booklet, which includes all the information needed to aide the application process to secondary schools, will not be distributed by the Authority this year, though parents can phone for one (0300 123 4043). Instead parents are advised to download it from the Internet. **We will be having a Year 6 parents' workshop in the ICT suite for parents to download and complete the form on Tuesday 19th October between 2:00pm – 3:30pm.** If you require any assistance before this date please speak to

Birthdays

Some children in our school celebrated their birthday last week.

Deena Kapadia, Lois Goad and Rebecca Nolan

We hope you all had a wonderful day



Great books from only £1.99!!!

We will be sending out leaflets for Scholastic Book Club today. There are some great books on their website at discounted prices and the school will receive 20p for every £1 parents spend.

www.clubs.scholastic.co.uk

A request from Year 5

Year 5 will be completing a project that requires shoe boxes. If you have any surplus boxes at home please send them to Mrs Yates. Many thanks

Useful Web Sites for Parents

- www.childnet-int.org - A non-profit making organisation working directly with children, parents and teachers to ensure that the issues of online child protection and children's safe and positive use of the internet are addressed. Childnet International produce an online CD guide specifically for parents KnowITAll - www.childnet-int.org/kia/
- www.thinkuknow.co.uk - The Child Exploitation and Online Protection (CEOP) Centre has set up its own educational website which has been designed and written specifically for children, young people, teachers, parents and carers.
- www.myguide.gov.uk/myguide/MyguideHome.do - My Guide is a government website designed to help adults get started with using computers and the Internet
- www.getsafeonline.org/ A beginners guide to using the Internet safely, including a quiz and some video tutorials about how to 'stay safe' on-line.
- www.nextgenerationlearning.org.uk/At-Home/Internet-safety/ - Beeta Next Generation Learning website provides some good advice for parents about Internet safety
- www.kidsmart.org.uk/ - Kidsmart is an award winning internet safety website for parents and those working with children. It has been developed by the children's internet charity Childnet International and has excellent information on many of the technologies used by children, with guidance on how to 'stay safe' online.
- www.ofcom.org.uk/advice/guides/media/ - Managing your Media - Good Ofcom online safety video and guide for parents/carers
- www.bullying.co.uk - One in five young people have experienced bullying by text message or via email. This web site gives advice for children and parents on bullying.
- www.chatdanger.com/ - This website is about the potential dangers with interactive services online like chat, IM, online games, email and on mobiles. It provides information, advice, true stories and games. The resource page also contains a number of links to other useful websites.
- <http://parents.vodafone.com/> - Vodafone have developed this website in conjunction with mumsnet. It is very accessible and provides information and guidance to parents with understanding their child's digital world and get more involved. There is even an on-line test to see how much you know!