



ST ALBERT THE GREAT CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

WISDOM

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10.07.26

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

Anything in Wisdom Weekly that is red and underlined is a dynamic link.
Click or tap the link to take you to further information or booking forms.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY....

Monday 13th July
Wednesday 15th July
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Thursday 16th July
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Monday 17th July
Friday 17th July
Tuesday 1st Sept
Wednesday 2nd Sept

Year 6 production - @ 3:30pm
piano students concert @ 9:05am
Year 2 celebration assembly @ 2:30pm
Year 6 leavers Mass - @ 11:00 am
Rocksteady Concert - @ 2:15pm
Year 6 leavers assembly - @ 1:00pm
Last day of term 1:30pm finish - no ASC
INSET day
Children return to school

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Please check the calendar on the school website for updates and future dates.

SCHOOL TARGET - 97%	THIS WEEK - 94.5%	THIS YEAR - 94.7%
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PRAYER AT HOME

'Prayer at Home' is a weekly resource, created by members of our Trust school communities, through which we aim to support all families to have at least one moment each week during which they can gather together in prayer at home. Please [click here](#) to access this weeks edition of 'Prayer at Home'.

CATHOLIC LIFE

This week in our Collective Worship time, we reflected on how each of us is uniquely created by God with special gifts and talents to share with others. Through prayer, scripture and discussion, the children considered how we can use the gifts God has given us to show kindness, serve others and make a positive difference in our school and wider community. We were reminded that, just as every part of the Body of Christ is important, each one of us has a unique role to play. Our worship encouraged us to recognise the strengths in ourselves and others, to be thankful for God's blessings and to use our talents with confidence, generosity and love.



EYFS QUALITY STANDARD AWARD

We are delighted that our Early Years Foundation Stage has been awarded the Hertfordshire Early Years Quality Standards Award. This prestigious recognition reflects the dedication, expertise and commitment of our Early Years team in providing a nurturing, inspiring and high-quality learning environment where every child is encouraged to flourish. The award celebrates the exceptional practice within our EYFS, supporting children's learning, development and wellbeing while fostering curiosity, independence and a love of learning from the very beginning of their educational journey. A heartfelt thank you goes to Mrs Watts, Mrs Turp and the entire EYFS team for all of their hard work, passion and commitment. This award is a well-deserved recognition of everything you do each day to give our youngest children the very best start to their school journey.



AI PRESENTATION

We were pleased to welcome visitors from Salesforce, who are the global leader in CRM and one of the UK's largest tech employers, to introduce Future Trailblazers. This is a completely free initiative designed to equip primary school students with the essential AI literacy and digital skills they need for the future. Simon Bristow, Nithya Mani and Gilly Jenkins worked with Years 4, 5 and 6 to introduce the initiative and to empower the children with plenty of AI and online knowledge and safety tips. Thank you to our visitors, who left a positive and lasting impression!



SAFEGUARDING REMINDER

To help us keep all of our children safe, we kindly remind parents and carers that they should not be in the school building at the end of the school day unless accompanied by a member of staff. We continue to have a number of children taking part in after-school activities who remain in the school's care, and it is essential that we know who is in the building at all times to ensure their safety.

If you are collecting your child from an after-school club, such as Dance or Gymnastics, please wait outside the office reception area. Children will be brought out and dismissed to you by the member of staff leading the session. Thank you for your understanding and support in helping us maintain a safe and secure environment for all of our pupils.

YEAR 2 CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

We are delighted to invite Year 2 parents to our End of Key Stage 1 Celebration Assembly on Wednesday 15th July at 2:30pm. This special occasion will give the children the opportunity to look back on their wonderful journey through Key Stage 1, sharing some of their favourite memories, achievements and much-loved songs. It is a chance to celebrate how far they have come, the friendships they have made and the many experiences they have enjoyed along the way. Following the celebration, parents are warmly invited to join us for a small gathering. Please feel free to bring some party food to share as we spend time together reflecting on the children's learning journey and celebrating this important milestone before they take their exciting next step into Key Stage 2. We look forward to sharing this memorable afternoon with you.



LUNCH PROVIDER

Something exciting is coming! Stir Food: Expert School Contract Catering Services in the UK

Instructions on how to download the **Swiftkitchen app** have now been sent home in children's bags. Please take the time to read this and download the app as soon as possible. You can now login and will soon be able to order your children's lunches for September! We will update you when this is live.

Please be reminded, this will be your responsibility to ensure your child has their lunch ordered. Pupil Premium children will still need to have their lunches ordered via the app by the parent. More information and user guides can be found on the website [here](#)



AFTERSCHOOL ENRICHMENT CLUBS

Booking information for our after school sports clubs will be sent out next Friday evening. These are on a first come first served basis, so please look out for this email. Also, please note that the Year 5 and 6 football team will be running slightly differently from September. We now have a Year 5 and 6 after school football club, which children are encouraged to join if they wish to be on the football team. There will be no separate football training.

EASY FUNDRAISING APP

Easy fundraising is a great way to raise money for the PTFA without any extra cost to you!

When you shop online with participating retailers, they'll donate part of what you spend to your chosen cause. Whether you shop on your phone, laptop or tablet, you can earn free cashback donations for your cause.

The retailer just needs to know you are an easyfundraiser to give a donation, and they know this if you visit them from our website, app or Donation Reminder.

to set up your account simply [click here](#) to access the link.



TERM DATES

Term dates for the current year can be found by [clicking here](#).

LIBRARY CHALLENGE

The Summer Reading Challenge for children aged between 4 and 11 is back, encouraging children to read over the holidays. This year's theme is Read to the Beat – exploring the creative power of music and reading!

At Hemel Library we challenge children to read six library books (or eBooks/eAudiobooks) during July and August. Incentives include a collector folder, stickers, a medal and a certificate. Plus, a chance to win a ticket to an exclusive event! [Click here](#) to access the website for more information.



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YOUR TICKET TO...

READ to the BEAT

Join FREE at your library and earn rewards for reading!



Join the Summer Reading Challenge **FREE** at your library and earn stickers and rewards for reading books over the summer.

Join in the fun at your local library!

4 July to 5 September 2026

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YEAR 6 END OF TERM EVENTS

During the last week of term, there are a number of events happening for our year 6 pupils..

Year 6 production on Monday 13th July @ 3:30pm in the school hall. The children are excited to present their end-of-year production of **The Lion King** and have been working incredibly hard to learn their lines, songs and choreography. We would love to see as many family members as possible in the audience to support them and celebrate all of their hard work. We look forward to welcoming you to what promises to be a fantastic performance!

Year 6 Mass on Thursday 16th July @ 11am in the school Hall. Our Year 6 Leavers' Mass, celebrated by Fr Kim, is a special opportunity to give thanks for the children's time at St Albert's and celebrate all they have achieved. Families are warmly invited to join us in prayer as we wish our Year 6 pupils every blessing and success as they begin the next stage of their journey.

Year 6 Assembly on Friday 17th @ 1pm in school hall. Our Year 6 Leavers' Assembly is a special opportunity to celebrate the children's journey at St Albert's as they prepare for the next chapter of their education. Families are warmly invited to join us as we reflect on their achievements, share happy memories and wish them every success for the future. We will finish with a whole-school send-off, giving everyone the chance to say a fond farewell and wish our Year 6 children the very best for the future.

Moving On 2027

School open events and key dates for secondary / upper transfer

Information for parents/carers with children in year 5 at primary/junior schools and year 7 at middle schools.

Further information about moving to secondary or upper school in September 2027 will be available at www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions from 1st September 2026.

Important Dates

The timetable below gives you an idea of what will happen over the next few months.

First week of September 2026	Admissions information is available online for parents to read or download
Tuesday 1 September 2026	Online application system opens and the "Moving On" leaflet is distributed via children's current school
July, September and October 2026	Schools hold their open events
Saturday 31 October 2026	Closing date for applications (online and paper)

INTRODUCING.....



A basic food bank for our school community, located in our Main Reception area.

If you are in need then please come and see what we've got and help yourself, no questions asked.

Opening on Wednesday 1st July.

We will have stocked it with a few basic food items to get us started, but would love any support anyone can give.

Items we are looking for include:

💧 Toiletries & Non-Food Essentials

Personal Care: Shampoo, shower gel, deodorant, hair ties, shaving gel

Dental Care: Toothpaste, toothbrushes

Feminine Hygiene: Sanitary towels, tampons

Household Items: Washing-up liquid, laundry detergent, toilet roll

🥫 Tinned & Non-Perishable Foods

Tinned proteins: Tuna, salmon, chicken, hot dogs, meatballs

Vegetables & Beans: Tinned tomatoes, carrots, peas, baked beans, pulses (lentils/chickpeas).

Meals & Soups: Tinned soups, stews, ravioli, curry or pasta sauces.

Carbohydrates: Dried pasta, rice, instant noodles, instant mashed potatoes, tinned potatoes

Fruits & Desserts: Tinned fruit, tinned rice pudding, custard, sponge puddings, biscuits

☕ Breakfast & Pantry Staples

Cereals:

Drinks: Long-life (UHT) milk, long-life fruit juice, squash

Hot Drinks: Tea bags, jars of instant coffee

Spreads: Peanut butter, jam, honey, marmalade

Baking & Oil: Cooking oil, sugar, flour

We also have a small fridge to hold things with a longer shelf life that require cooler temperatures.

Donations can be left with the staff in the school office, where they will be sorted, put out on the shelves or stored for later use.



KREATIVE SUMMER CAMP!



17TH – 20TH
AUGUST 2026



9 – 3PM

with late pick up available

CAMP INCLUDES:



DANCING



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SPORTS



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CRAFTS



GAMES &
KEEPSAKES



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PER DAY

£90

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Gymnastics	£31.90	1/2 DAY
Soccer	£160.60	FULL WEEK

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PTFA SUMMER FAIR

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our Summer Fair on Friday and helped make it such a wonderful community event. It was fantastic to see so many families enjoying the afternoon together, with plenty of fun, games, and refreshments. We are incredibly grateful to our dedicated PTFA, volunteers, parents and local businesses whose hard work, generosity and support made the event such a success. Special thanks also to everyone who donated prizes, baked cakes, ran stalls or simply came along to support the school. Your kindness and commitment to our school community are greatly appreciated, and we look forward to sharing the final fundraising total with you soon

THE NEXT PTFA EVENT

ST ALBERT THE GREAT
— PTFA —

LET'S MAKE MEMORIES TOGETHER!

COLOUR RUN!

RUN, JOG OR WALK... GET COLOURFUL!

ALL WELCOME! CHILDREN, FAMILIES & FRIENDS

WEAR WHITE, GET COLOURFUL, HAVE FUN!

DATE
FRIDAY
11TH SEPT 2026

LOCATION
SCHOOL FIELD
ST ALBERT THE GREAT
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

TIME
FROM 3.30PM
(AFTER SCHOOL)

RAISING FUNDS FOR OUR SCHOOL - THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

WEAR WHITE
BRING A CHANGE OF CLOTHES & A TOWEL

BRING SUNGLASSES
TO PROTECT YOUR EYES

BRING A WATER BOTTLE
STAY HYDRATED!

SMILES, COLOUR & MEMORIES!

TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE