



ST ALBERT THE GREAT CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

WISDOM

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

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY....

Monday 29th June 2026

Monday 29th June – Friday 3rd July 2026

Tuesday 30th July

Monday 6th July – Friday 10th July 2026

Monday 6th July

Thursday 8th July

Thursday 9th July

Thursday 9th July

Monday 13th July

Wednesday 15th July

Wednesday 15th July

Thursday 16th July

Thursday 16th July

Monday 17th July

Friday 17th July

Sports day and Family Picnic

Healthy Living Week

Rescheduled Year 6 enterprise sale @ 3:20pm

Book fair

reception and Acorn class Trip to Woodside farm

Additional JFK Transition day – invite only by JFK

Year 6 secondary school Transition day

Moving up day and new reception Stay and Play

Year 6 production – @ 3:30pm

piano students concert @ 9:15am

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

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

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

SCHOOL TARGET – 97%	THIS WEEK – 90%	THIS YEAR – 94.1%
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CATHOLIC LIFE

In this week's Celebration of the Word assembly, we reflected on Jesus' reassuring words: "Do not be afraid." The children explored how wonderfully unique they are and were reminded that God knows each one of us completely; even the number of hairs on our heads! We reflected on how deeply God loves and values every person and that, whatever worries or fears we may have, we can place our trust in Him. As we move through the week, may we remember that we are never alone because God's love and care are always with us

HOT WEATHER

Thank you to all our parents and carers for your patience, care and flexibility during this week's extremely hot weather. Temperatures in classrooms were very high, but by adapting our timetable and provision, we were able to keep the school open while also offering the option of early collection for families who wished to do so. A huge thank you as well for the abundance of ice pops sent into school, and a special thank you to Miss Nevelo for her very generous donation of ice lollies, which helped keep everyone cool and smiling! We really appreciate your support and understanding throughout the week. While we have all enjoyed the sunshine, we hope the hottest temperatures wait until the summer holidays, when everyone can enjoy them a little more comfortably!

ATHLETE VISIT – SPONSORED EVENT

A huge thank you to all our children for taking part in our sponsored event with Jodie Williams – everyone had a fantastic time! We are absolutely blown away by your incredible fundraising efforts and are so grateful for all the money raised, with over **£2,500** so far!

If you have not yet returned your paper sponsorship form and any money collected, please do so by Tuesday at the latest. Thank you for your continued support – every donation helps us provide new sports equipment and exciting physical activity opportunities for our children.



SPORTS DAY AND FAMILY PICNIC

This years sports day is on Monday. It will start with **Reception and KS1 events starting at 930** on the school field.. **Gates will be opened for parents at 9:15am.**

We will be having our usual **family Picnic Lunch at 11:30am – 12:30pm. Gates will be opened at 11:30 and closed at 11:40am** for those not attending the morning events. Please send your child in with a packed lunch even if you are adding to it when you arrive for the picnic. This ensures we know every child has something to eat.

Gates will again be opened at 12:30pm–12:40pm for those parents from the morning to leave and any not attending the lunch to arrive.

KS2 activities will begin at approx 12.45pm on the school field.

If sports day finishes before the end of the school day, the children will be taken up to their classroom to gather their belongings and will be dismissed to the parents on site. All other children will be dismissed as usual at 3.20pm. Gymnastics club will still be running for those who wish to attend.

We are hoping for some slightly cooler weather than this week, but please still remember to provide your child with a sunhat, water bottle and wearing sunscreen. If you wish them to reapply this throughout the day they can bring it to school but it should be named, and please remind your child not to share their cream with others due to any unknown allergies.

SPORTS WEEK EVENTS



During sports week next week, the children will be taking part in a number of different events. Some of these will be off site. The of site trips will all be taking place on Thursday 2nd July.

Year 5/6 -will be attending XC climbing- Waivers to be completed by parent by the 30th June [click here](#) to access the waiver form at :

<https://waiver.smartwaiver.com/w/jdsza156anp71ywqadtuw2/web/>

Year 3/4 - will be attending Jumping Fun - 10am -12pm- wavers will need to be completed by the parent by 30th June. [Click here](#) to access the waiver form at:

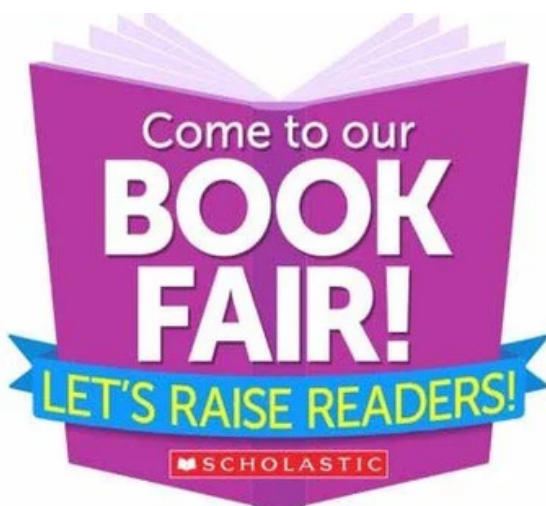
<https://waiver2.roller.app/JumpinFunHemelHempstead/home>

Year R/1/2 and Acorn class - will be attending DJ Jungle soft play 9:30 to 11:30

We are asking for a contribution of £8 per child towards the trips, **Please make payment via the MCAS app under 'Trips' and 'Sports Week 2026 Activities'**. Thank you for your support in making sports week a fun packed week for your child.

YEAR 6 ENTERPRISE SALE

Our Year 6 Enterprise event will take place after school on Tuesday 30th June. the children have been working incredibly hard to design, make their products. They have shown fantastic creativity, teamwork and entrepreneurial skills throughout the project. If your child would like to purchase any items, please ensure they bring cash with them on the day. Thank you for your support. We look forward to a successful Enterprise event next week!



BOOK FAIR

We are excited to be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair from Monday 6th July to Friday 10th July, which will be open after school each day. The Book Fair is a wonderful opportunity for children to discover new books, explore different genres and nurture a lifelong love of reading. There will be a fantastic selection of books suitable for a range of ages and interests. Please note that this will be a cashless event, so all purchases must be made by card. We kindly ask families to ensure they bring a card if they wish to make a purchase. Every book purchased helps to earn rewards for our school, enabling us to provide even more exciting books and resources for our children. Thank you for your support, and we look forward to seeing you there.

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.

ROCK STEADY CONCERT

Our Rocksteady Celebration Assembly is taking place on Thursday 16th July at 2:15pm. This is a wonderful opportunity for our young musicians to showcase the skills they have been developing with the Rocksteady Music School. Throughout the term, and year, the children have been learning instruments such as guitar, drums and vocals, working together as part of a band. If your child takes part in Rocksteady, we warmly invite you to come along and enjoy their performance as they celebrate their hard work and musical achievements.



PIANO CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

we will be having a Piano Celebration Assembly on Wednesday 15th July at 9:15am. This is a chance to recognise and celebrate the wonderful progress made by the children who have been learning with Mrs Sheehy. We are incredibly proud of their dedication and hard work, and look forward to enjoying their performances as they share their musical talents with family and friends.



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'.

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.

CHANGES TO LUNCH PROVIDER

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

From September we will no longer be using Herts Catering as our school meal provider, but will be moving to Stirfood! I have attached some important information for you to read and familiarise yourself with. It is really important all parents download the ordering app, as this will ensure your child has a school dinner each day from September if they require one. More information on how to download this to follow in the coming weeks. Please note—Even if your child receives free school meals, you must still order through the app.



Details with your child's unique code will be sent home with their school report. Please log on in preparation for September.

ABSENCE REQUESTS

We would like to remind parents that, in line with government expectations regarding school attendance, holidays during term time will not be authorised unless there are exceptional circumstances. Over the past term, we have received a high number of absence request forms and would therefore like to clarify our procedures. A leave of absence must be requested in advance and school policy requires a **minimum of 21 days' notice**. Any leave of absence forms submitted with less than 21 days' notice, unless there are exceptional circumstances, will be recorded as an **unauthorised absence**. Please note that a desire or need for a family holiday, leisure activity or recreational trip does not constitute an exceptional circumstance. Good attendance is vital to children's progress, wellbeing and continuity of learning, and we appreciate your support in ensuring that holidays are taken during the designated school holiday periods wherever possible.

TERM DATES

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

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.

PTFA SUMMER FAIR



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Friday 10th July
3-6pm

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ACORN ROAD

BOUNCY CASTLE
TOMBOLA
HOOK A DUCK
POPCORN AND CANDY FLOSS
FUN GAMES
SWEETS AND CAKES
CRAFT STALLS
BBQ
AND MANY MORE



ST ALBERT THE GREAT
— PTFA —

COLOUR RUN!

LET'S MAKE MEMORIES TOGETHER!

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 ♥



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17TH – 20TH
AUGUST 2026



9 – 3PM

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