



# St Alban's

Catholic Primary and Nursery School  
Member of St Clare's Catholic Multi Academy Trust, Diocese of Hallam

Let God's love shine in our lives as we grow and learn together

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## CATHOLIC LIFE OF OUR SCHOOL

St Alban's Church Website:

<https://www.stalbansatdenabymain.co.uk/>

Please click on the link above to take you to St Alban's Catholic Church website.

Our Lenten journey this year

Once again at St Alban's, we will be carrying out our Lenten almsgiving to raise money for the Good Shepherd Appeal which will be donated to Caritas Hallam Caring Service whose services benefit many within our St Alban's school community. The theme this year is 'Every Day Miracles' which you can find out more about at <https://hallam-diocese.com/caritas/good-shepherd/>

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March:

Children throughout school will be making prayer cards that will be sold by Mini Vinnies and Faith in Action Leaders on the school playground for £1, for yourselves, children or wider family members at 8.40 am and 3.15pm each day.

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March & Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March:

We have launched our Sponsored Spell and your child should have brought home a sponsor sheet and spelling list. Please support them in collecting sponsors and practicing their spellings for the sponsored spell which will take place on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March.



Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March:

Our CAFOD Club are leading the Big Lent Walk by joining other schools around the country to help fight poverty round the world. To raise money, we're aiming to walk 200km as a school around our active mile track. You can donate to this charity to support our CAFOD club by scanning the QR code which will take you to the Just Giving page set up for our school.



There will be more – keep your eyes open for a further 'eggs'travaganza this Lent!!

HOLY WEEK: Stations of the Cross Service in Church on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March @ 9.30 am.

## Spring Term Learning

'How do people and our planet work together?'

Thank you for supporting our children with their presentations and completing your feedback forms. Here is what you said:

96% said that your child has spoken to you about their learning this term

95% strongly agreed/agreed that your child has been enjoying learning through Adventures in Learning Expeditions. 5% were unsure.

91% strongly agreed/agreed that your child is making good progress in the subjects he/she has been studying as part of this expedition. 9% were unsure.

Many of you would like to see more of your child's learning in all subjects, particularly writing and maths.

Lots of you said that you enjoyed listening to the children talk about their learning, were impressed by the confidence of the children and were grateful of the opportunity.

The children have said they loved their science experiments, and practical learning in all subjects, immersion week activities, visits out and preparing for and performing their Grand Finale presentations! We are almost our first full year into our Expeditionary style learning and you will recognise our Summer guiding question; 'How can we love our World better?' We are excited once again to be teaching our children how to become activists making a real difference to save our natural world. We are constantly improving teaching and learning as well as how we assess and feedback from yourselves, our children, staff and professionals are all in agreement that our curriculum is having a great impact on our children's learning and progress!

RISE AND SHINE AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS daily 8 am – 8.45 am and 3.25 pm – 4.25 pm – for fun learning, childcare or both! BOOK ON PARENTPAY at least 24 hours in advance.

Session	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Rise and Shine Club	Reading & Comic Creations	Art and Crafts and Design Technology	Active Scoot and Games	Fitness and Sports	iPads and Film
After School Club	Comics/ Expressive arts/Lego	Art and Crafts and Design Technology	Active Scoot and Games	Fitness and Sports	iPads and Film

## UPCOMING DIARY DATES:

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March  
Super Science Day!  
Comic Relief – Red Nose Day!

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March  
Y6 only Parents and Carers Evening

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March  
Neurodiversity Awareness Week starts  
Parents and Carers Evening Nursery to Y6  
St Patrick's Day celebrated in school

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March  
School Council and Mini Vinnies trip to Harrogate  
Court working within our community  
Parents and Carers Evening Nursery to Y5

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March  
Sponsored Spell Day!

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March  
BIG LENT WALK  
Marvellous Maths Day!

HOLY WEEK  
Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March  
9.30 am – Stations of the Cross led by Y4 in Church

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March  
Break up at the end of the day for Easter holiday

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April  
All children return to school for the Summer Term

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May  
BANK HOLIDAY

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May  
Y6 SATs Week

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May  
Break up at the end of the day for Break

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June  
All children return to school

## ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

National Primary attendance to date this year is 94.6%

Class	Attendance to date 12.3.24	Attendance this time last year
Easby Nursery	87.9%	75.3%
Rosedale FS2	94.2%	91.4%
Roche Y1	94.2%	94.9%
Selby Y2	95.7%	94.9%
Whitby Y3	94.7%	90.1%
Fountains Y4	93.1%	94.3%
Kirkstall Y5	96.7%	93.0%
Rievaulx Y6	94.4%	91.7%
TOTAL without Nursery	94.5%	92.8%

## NURSERY PLACES

There are new arrangements coming into place from September 2024. Check out this website and register to be sent further information about how you could get free childcare for children from 9 months old from September. If you are interested in a place for your child at our Nursery, please enquire via email at [admin@st-albans.doncaster.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-albans.doncaster.sch.uk) or call 01709 862298. Find out more in the meantime at <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk>



Patron Saint of Ireland  
St. Patrick is most famous  
for bringing Christianity to  
Ireland.

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March



CHILDREN WHO ARE IN ST PATRICK'S HOUSE TEAM (GREEN) MAY COME TO SCHOOL ON THIS DAY WEARING THEIR GREEN PE TOPS WITH NORMAL SCHOOL TROUSERS/SKIRT OR ACCESSORISE IN GREEN.



With St Patrick's day (17<sup>th</sup> March) falling on a weekend this will be celebrated in school on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March.