



# St Alban's

Catholic Primary and Nursery School  
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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.

### End of the Year Mass

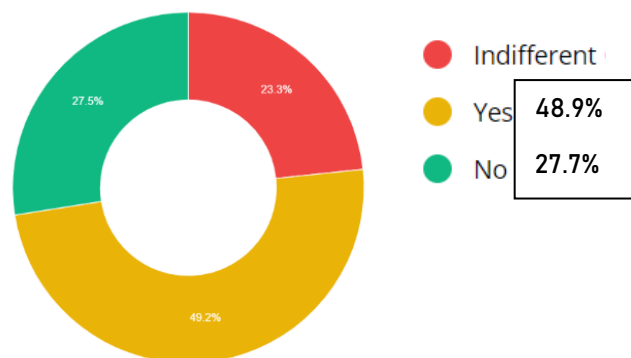
Our Y6 Leavers' Mass will be at 9.30 am on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July. All members of our parish and school community are welcome.

### New School Year Mass tbc

Thank you to Father Desmond and Mary Phillips for all their support over the school year ensuring our children can access Church to enhance their learning and faith as well as celebrating Feast Days and masses over the year. We are very grateful of all that you do to support our children at St Alban's and look forward to working together again next year.

Parent and Carer Survey Results are in!

This is what you responded when considering whether it would be safer to be a mobile free zone on our school grounds:



We will consider these outcomes, if and when this is required in the future. Thank you for taking part of this survey.

Look out for our end of year survey coming soon via the Spider App!

## Attendance and Punctuality

National Primary attendance to 28/6/24 is 94.5%

St Alban's (excluding Nursery) attendance to date this year is 94.3%

St Alban's (excluding Nursery) attendance to date last year was 93.3%

Class	Attendance to date 17.7.24	Attendance this time last year	Class	Attendance to date 17.7.24	Attendance this time last year
Easby Nursery	87.0%	79.9%	Whitby Y3	95.5%	91.2%
Rosedale FS2	94.2%	92.3%	Fountains Y4	93.7%	94.1%
Roche Y1	93.4%	94.9%	Kirkstall Y5	96.1%	93.8%
Selby Y2	95.5%	94.2%	Rievaulx Y6	94.3%	92.7%

We are really proud of our improvements in attendance and punctuality and thank all parents and carers who have worked with the Attendance Team to improve attendance and punctuality. Our school has been recognised and we have been asked to share our best practice with Sheffield Schools in September! Although we have made improvements, there is still work to do to improve persistent absenteeism, reduce holidays in term time and to ensure all children are consistently on time every day. Please note that holiday fines are increasing to £80 per child per parent/carers for holidays in term time and it remains a National agenda across all schools everywhere.

We understand families wanting to book more affordable holidays therefore we have organised our term dates and INSET days next year to enabling you to book cheaper holidays in July as we break up on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025, a week earlier than most schools nationally. Also, our Easter holiday pattern is different to usual, hopefully enabling you to book a cheaper holiday in April, from Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> March to Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April. For next year's term dates please follow the link: [https://www.st-albans.doncaster.sch.uk/serve\\_file/21201827](https://www.st-albans.doncaster.sch.uk/serve_file/21201827)

### UPCOMING DIARY DATES:

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July

End of Year Mass in Church starting at 9.30am  
House Point Winners Treat

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July

Y6 Leaver's Assembly

All Y6 Parents and carers are invited at 9.15am to  
celebrate Rievaulx Leavers 2024

We will also celebrate our Amazing Attendance  
Winners at this Assembly

BREAK UP FOR SUMMER HOLIDAY 3:20pm / 3:25pm

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024

All children return to school

Immersion week begins for our Autumn Term  
Adventures in Learning!  
EYFS transition starts

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September

Sports Day for children in Y1-Y6 starting 1.15pm  
Olympic Training Sponsor forms and monies  
returned to school

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September  
Y6 Beaumanor Residential Visit

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September  
Y5 Residential Visit to Whitby

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October  
Bikeability for Y6 starts

### YEAR GROUP STAFFING FOR SEPTEMBER:

\*Easby Nursery – Miss Hinchliffe – F1 lead/Mrs  
Gittings – 2 year old lead/Mrs Petty covering PPA  
Miss Swift and Miss Wray – TAs

\*Rosedale Reception – Miss Rutherford/Mrs Petty  
covering PPA

Mrs Williams and Mrs Ogun – TAs

\*Roche Y1 – Miss Watts/Mrs Needham covering PPA  
Mr Barnes and Miss Cutts – TAs

\*Selby Y2 – Miss Redfearn/Mrs Needham covering  
PPA

Ms Feeney and Mr Barnes (pm) – TAs

\*Whitby Y3 – Mrs Diver/Miss Gibson supporting  
transition and covering PPA

Miss Bateson and Mrs Phillips – TAs

\*Fountains Y4 – Mrs Chapman and Mrs Carter-Ward  
Mrs Stringer (am) and Miss Cutts (pm) – TAs

\*Kirkstall Y5 – Miss Burge/Miss Gibson covering PPA  
Mrs Davies – TA

\*Rievaulx Y6 – Mrs Dyson and Miss Brennan  
Mrs Noonan – TA and Miss Sellars – HLTA

### UNIFORM EXPECTATIONS:

Please remember to buy the correct uniform for  
September. See our updated Uniform List with  
pictures to guide you. [https://www.st-](https://www.st-albans.doncaster.sch.uk/serve_file/27857028)

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The only black item allowed are shoes which  
must be all black leather/waterproof shoes with  
laces/elastic, buckle or Velcro. Any variation  
must form part of your child's SEN plan if they  
have one and is approved by Mrs Ebsworth this  
week. SEN Plans are being sent home this  
Wednesday in readiness for next year.

### Goodbye and God Bless. We wish you luck on your new journeys!

We say goodbye not only to our Y6 Rievaulx Class this summer but also to the following children who are leaving to schools closer to home: Caoimhe in Selby and Joe in Fountains. Good luck to you all! Also, we are saying goodbye to the following members of staff who are moving to pastures new: Miss Fidler's temporary contract has finished and she will leave us to teach in Sheffield in September. Ms May has secured a promotion to work as a Teaching Assistant at St Pius from September. Miss Strawbridge and Mrs Sharpe are finishing in July to start their Maternity Leave but will be returning to St Alban's at some point in 2025! Miss Tideswell and Miss C Wray are leaving St Alban's to start university to train to be a Teacher and a Nurse respectively.

We have appointed new staff to cover these positions in school. Our 2 new TAs are Mrs Stringer in KS2 and Mrs Ogun in EYFS who will start in September and Mrs Davies will take over the Active Playleader Role, and Mrs Chapman has graduated and will be the Y4 teacher alongside Mrs Carter-Ward next year. Please keep all these staff in your prayers as we wish them well on their new adventures!

**Head Teacher** Lindsey Ebsworth BSc (Hons), PGCE, NPQH **Chair of Governors** John Cape  
**Deputy Headteacher** Clare Brennan BA (Hons), NPQSL **Vice-chair of Governors** Karen Seaman