



# 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/>

Mass led by Y5 - 9.30 am Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2024

Thank you to all who supported our Y5 children in leading this celebration – it was a beautiful mass with a key message about Jesus Christ our King!

Christingle Service - 2.30 pm Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024

Everyone welcome at church to celebrate Christingle with us! Children will return to school to collect all their belongings and then we will break for Christmas.

Epiphany Celebration

Epiphany Liturgy on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January and Pantomime Theatre Celebration on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2025 in School. All children from Rosedale Reception to Rievaulx Y6 will be able to watch the Panto performance as usual and we will provide the full theatre experience by providing children with refreshments and sweet treats!

We ask all parents and carers to pay a donation of £3.50 on Parentpay towards the cost of this theatre experience. The remainder is usually paid by monies raised from Friends of School activities without which we would not be able to offer our children these wonderful opportunities at such a reduced contribution to yourselves. This is now available to pay on ParentPay.

## Friends of School Christmas Arrangement:



Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December

Christmas Raffle tickets on sale (to be drawn at the Christmas Fayre on 13<sup>th</sup> December)

Christmas decorations go on sale (Decorated in school and used to decorate our Christmas Tree and prizes to be won)

Pre-loved Christmas Jumper sale (we are trying to save on your finances and the environment!)

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December

Bring in a chocolate or bottle donation for Christmas Fayre  
Christmas jumper day 1 – with uniform

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December

1.30pm – 4.00pm – Christmas Fayre  
£1 entry fee on arrival – you can sign your child out once you have signed into school via the playground. Please can ALL visitors queue on the pedestrian walkway. The driveway gates will not be open for safeguarding reasons.  
Christmas jumper day 2 – with uniform

## RISE AND SHINE AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Clubs continue to run 8.00am–4.25pm at £3.50 per session. Please can you collect your child from the school gates unless they have signed consent from yourselves to walk home. Thank you.



### RISE AND SHINE 2024/2025



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lego Club	Board Games/ Art	Fitness/Sports	Arts/Crafts	Ipad/Movie



### AFTER SCHOOL CLUB 2024/2025



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lego Club	Cooking/Baking	Fitness/Sports	Arts/Crafts	Ipad/Movie



## UPCOMING DIARY DATES:

Date	Nativity Presentation
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS pm Performance: Gates open 2pm for refreshments and 2.30pm start
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS am Performance: Gates open 9 am for refreshments and 9.30 am start
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 (Y1 & Y2) Performance: Gates open 2pm for refreshments & 2:30pm start
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	LKS2 (Y3 & Y4) Performance: Gates open 2pm for refreshments & 2.30pm start
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	UKS2 (Y5 & Y6) Performance: Gates open 9am for refreshments & 9.30am start

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December

House Team Autumn Term Winners Prize - am

2.00pm - 4.00/4.15pm - Christmas Parties

Children can bring their party clothes to get changed into after dinnertime! You will be asked to donate specific party food which will be shared by all children - this information will go out closer to the date.

Easby and Rosedale classes to be collected from the main playground at 4pm after seeing the special visitor!

Roche and Selby classes to be collected from the main playground at 4.05pm after seeing the special visitor!

Whitby and Fountains classes to be collected from the main playground at 4.10pm after seeing the special visitor!

Kirkstall and Rievaulx will be dismissed at 4.15pm and due to this being a later and darker end to the school day, we ask for all children to be collected from the school playground.

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Dinner & at 2.30pm - Christingle

Christmas jumper day 3 - with uniform

Break up for Christmas!

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January

Return to school - Epiphany

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January

Beauty and the Beast Theatre Experience!

£3.50 donations to be made on ParentPay BEFORE we break up for Christmas please. Please see Mrs Ebsworth if your child has SEN needs that would mean they cannot take part in the theatre experience so other arrangements can be made for them in school.

## ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

National Primary attendance to 8/11/2024 is: 95.4%

Class	Attendance to date 2/12/24	Attendance this time last year
Easby Nursery	89.4%	85.8%
Rosedale FS2	92.4%	93.4%
Roche Y1	95.4%	93.2%
Selby Y2	89.8%	95.8%
Whitby Y3	95.4%	94.7%
Fountains Y4	95.7%	93.0%
Kirkstall Y5	95.1%	96.4%
Rievaulx Y6	95.8%	93.2%
TOTAL without Nursery	93.7%	94.0%

Attendance is a key priority and deciding factor in the behaviour and attitudes section in Ofsted inspections. Last school year, due to the progress we made and our much higher than previous attendance level, our overall practice in this area was considered outstanding by visiting professionals and inspectors, however with our recent low levels of attendance, we are at risk of our judgement in this area also being much lower than our children and school deserve. Children can come to school if taking medicine as long as it is signed in with dosage recommendations and we encourage, where possible, appointments to be made in the holidays. Please see our policy for further information to guide you on absence moving forwards. <https://www.st-albans.doncaster.sch.uk/page/attendance-and-term-dates/151378>

Nativity Presentation tickets are on sale on Parentpay - all people coming to watch must have a pre-paid ticket.

For each performance it is £2 per ticket with a maximum of 3 tickets for each of the EYFS/KS1/KS2 performances. If your child does not attend either of the sessions when there is an EYFS performance, please let us know so we can make arrangements to include them. Thank you - may the fun begin!!!