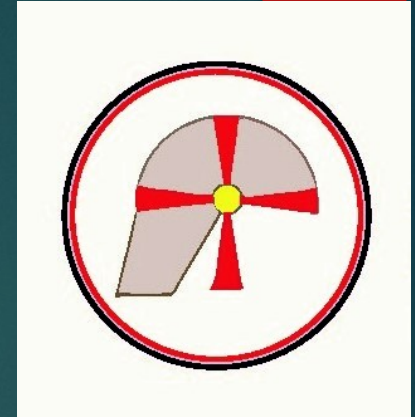


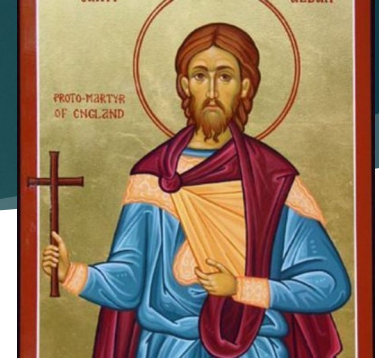
St Alban's Parent and carer workshop on supporting learning at home



FRIDAY 21ST OCTOBER

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Catholic Life Learning



Collective worship

- ▶ Our children are taught a morning and end of the day prayer as well Grace before lunch.
- ▶ In addition to this, the children learn the Lord's Prayer and Hail Mary.
- ▶ Please support and encourage your children to learn and say these prayers at home.

Weekly Gospel Message and Word of the Week

- ▶ Every Monday, the children engage in a Liturgy and learn about the message and the word of the week which we focus on to help us live out the Gospel message that week.
- ▶ Please ask your children about this so they can try to follow this at home as well as at school.

EYFS – Easby Nursery and Rosedale FS2

FS1 & FS2

- ▶ Read books with children at home - Library books are being sent home for FS2 after Oct half term.
- ▶ Number rhymes and songs/ counting in every day life stairs etc
- ▶ Send pictures on Dojo of children's accomplishments - riding bikes, cooking, nature walks, reading, writing names etc.
- ▶ Go out for walks and hunts or scoot/cycle as often as you can!

EYFS – Easby Nursery and Rosedale FS2

Home Learning expectations FS2

- ▶ To read their school reading book and write in the reading record 2 - 3 times weekly.
- ▶ Access Numbots weekly
- ▶ Practice reading letter sounds learnt in RWI and making words with the cards – Mrs Petty is sending out guidance for this before the end of half-term.

Recommended Websites and Apps:

- ▶ <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/3-5-years/counting> Maths and Phonics
- ▶ <https://whiterosemaths.com/1-minute-maths> Maths
- ▶ <https://www.teachyourmonster.org/> Phonics and Maths

Reading from Y1 – Y6

- ▶ Children must read at least their **banded book** at home to an adult/older sibling 2/3 times weekly and this must be recorded in their journal by an adult or the child if in Y5/Y6 celebrating this and identifying any areas they have found challenging.
- ▶ Children must bring their reading journals and books daily to school so they can read with adults in school and can change their books as frequently as needed.
- ▶ If children have a Lexia account they must access this at home every week - <https://www.lexiacore5.com/>
- ▶ Children also have a class [Login](https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk) (oxfordowl.co.uk) where they can access a range of online books which can be read or listened to by your children. Ask Class teachers for class logins.
- ▶ Children choose a book to read for pleasure with family from the school library once a week. They may keep this **free choice library book** for longer in agreement with their teacher.

Writing – handwriting, spelling and grammar – Y1 – Y6

KS1:

- ▶ Weekly spellings rules checks – list of words on a Monday and checked on a Friday and rewards given.
- ▶ Handwriting practice – cursive script through spellings

Year 3/4:

- ▶ <https://app.mirodoeducation.com/login>

Year 5/6:

- ▶ Weekly spellings and Grammar Hammer – given on a Monday and checked on a Friday and rewards given.
- ▶ SATs Companion Online learning [SATs Companion Pupil Dashboard](#)

Maths – Y1 – Y6

KS1:

- ▶ Numbots - <https://play.numbots.com/#/account/school-login/53652> - games and stories to help children learn their addition and subtraction facts.
- ▶ TT Rockstars - <https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student/53652> - different games to help children with times tables and division facts.

KS2:

- ▶ <https://app.mirodoeducation.com/login>
- ▶ [SATs Companion Pupil Dashboard](#)
- ▶ Weekly mental maths (number bonds in KS1 and multiplication tables and division facts are sent home on a Monday to be revised and checked on Fridays.

Further events

- ▶ Parent and Carers' Meetings – Monday 7th November 3.40 pm – 5.40 pm and Wednesday 9th November 3.40 pm – 4.40 pm
- ▶ Y6 SATs and Y1 Phonics meetings for parent and carers – end November at 2.50pm and 5 pm
- ▶ Y2 SATs and Y4 Multiplication Tables Check – January at 2.50 pm and 5 pm
- ▶ November Newsletter will confirm all dates

NEXT...

- ▶ Please complete the survey so we can plan our future open days and workshops to suit parental needs.
- ▶ Any parents interested in forming a Friends of School group – please stay for a while longer.
- ▶ Thank you for coming – we do hope you have found this morning useful and look forward to having events like this much more often!

What is a PTA/Friends of St Alban's School Group?

What is the role and function of a PTA?

- ▶ PTA stands for Parent Teacher Association. The PTA supports the school by raising money to enhance, enrich and improve learning experiences for all pupils. A well-run PTA will form close ties with the school community, helping to connect school and home life, so that parents become more positively engaged in their children's education.
- ▶ There's also a social aspect to the PTA: parents are able to get together, meet parents of children in different year groups and work alongside each other while raising money for the school and supporting its aims.

Who runs the PTA?

- ▶ PTAs are run by a committee of volunteers – usually parents of children at the school, and sometimes teachers too.

Who can join the PTA/Friends of St Alban's School?

- ▶ If the organisation is known as a PTA, membership is usually limited to parents, guardians and carers of current pupils, plus school staff. Other types of association, such as Friends Associations, are open to anyone who wishes to join and is approved by the committee.

PTA/Friends of St Alban's School

What kind of things might I be expected to do if I join?

- ▶ Organise and run fundraising events. So the most common job is helping out at fundraisers: can you bake a cake? buy supplies for an event? run the bar or help on the gate?
- ▶ If you still want to join the PTA but don't want to get involved in events, how about taking on a different job such as second-hand uniform coordinator or graphic designer?
- ▶ If you have specialist knowledge of fundraising, the PTA will welcome you with open arms. Perhaps you work for a company that can offer benefits such as raffle prizes, discounts on refreshments or access to a local facility? If you have an idea of what you'd like to do, or skills you can offer, make a suggestion!

What's in it for you?

What will I get out of being on the PTA/Friends of St Alban's School?

- ▶ Meet parents from other year groups
- ▶ Widen your outlook and see the school from a different angle
- ▶ Make new friends by working alongside members of your community
- ▶ Learn new skills and increase your self-confidence
- ▶ The satisfaction of knowing you've made a contribution
- ▶ The knowledge that you've helped make the school you chose an even better place

- ▶ ARE YOU UP FOR THIS CHALLENGE?!