



*The love and care of God was shared through the Gospel this week and we considered how we also show care to others and to our common home – Earth. This was reflected in our continuation of the Novena for Pentecost which is focussing on Care for our Common home. The Chaplaincy Team had lead this and recorded the prayers (available on the website) which continue over the weekend to Pentecost this Sunday. The Team also made ordination anniversary cards for Fr Bogdan and Fr Leszek for this week, from our school. The students were very excited for Sports Day yesterday too. The rain held off and they were able to enjoy their events. It was so lovely to see encouragement (one of our school values) being so freely shared between the students – they were very supportive of each other. Well Done St Alban's!*

**Mrs A M Black, Head of School**

"Friendship is one of life's gifts and a grace from God.

Jesus wants to educate His friends about God's logic: the logic of taking responsibility for others" - **Pope Francis**

Mini Vinnies

Thank to you all for supporting the Mini Vinnies fund raiser day last Friday. We have raised **£224.30** for the group which support local causes.

**Sports Day:** The Sports Day photos will be shared on the website class pages. Lots of photos were taken so do check back over the coming week as more may be added over the week.



It was with great anticipation and excitement that the winning House Teams were announced in Assembly this morning as:

**St Theresa – 1<sup>st</sup> St Francis – 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**St Thomas More – 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**St Theresa – 1097 St Francis – 966**

**St Thomas More 921**

**PE kits days are back to usual with Tuesday for yr-5 and year 6 only on Thursday.**

**Online Safety: Roblox**

Roblox is a game created by users. As a parent there are things to be aware of. Do check who your child is communicating with online. There is information on [UK Safer Internet Centre](#) or [Netaware](#)

**Pre-School Applications:** If you require a pre-school place for your child please complete an application form available on the school [website](#).

**Pupil of the Week:** Pupils who gained a certificate this week are:

Reception – Mark M  
Year 1 – Michael A  
Year 2 – Lily  
Year 3 – Annah Maria  
Year 4 – Diddy & Adam C  
Year 5 – Tariro & David  
Year 6 – Joel



**House Points:**

Well Done to **St Anne Line!**

**St Bernadette – 260**

**St Francis – 278**

**St Paul – 228**

**St Theresa – 314**

**St Thomas More – 355**

**St Anne Line – 359**



**Essex Activate:** Active Essex is offering a range of ActiveAte clubs over the half term. More information and booking details can be found [here](#).

**EssexConnects:** Visit the [website](#) to find local activities and help you get in touch with hundreds of local charities, voluntary groups and community sector services.

**Parent information Meeting:** After half term our new PSHE topic " Changing Me" begins. This covers, in an age appropriate way, the changes we experience as we grow up. As a catholic school we deliver this programme incorporating the diocesan approved scheme Journey in Love. If you would like to find out further information on how and what we teach we are holding a virtual parent session on Wednesday 9th June at 9.30am and 1pm. A link will be sent to all families in the first week back for you to attend.

**School Gate:** Either Mr Kendal, Mrs Black or Miss Kendell are available at the school gate on most mornings during the week. This is an opportunity for them to greet the children and for parents to ask any questions they may have.

**Bikes and Scooters:** All children wishing to ride to school must make sure they have dismounted and walk their bike/scooter through the school grounds, leaving them in the stands provided.

**Absence Procedure:** If your child is unwell please inform the office by 9.30am on each of the days that they are absent. Please include the reason for the absence in an email at this time.

**Arbor** If you cannot log in to Arbor please call the school office to get reconnected as this is how all our messages are sent out. Please check your child's Arbor accounts and ensure all payments are up to date. Please be reminded that Breakfast Club, Afterschool Club and School Dinner payments should all be in credit balances. Thank-you for your support.

**Contact Details:** With the ever changing world of mobile phones we ask parents to ensure that we have up to date contact details and emergency numbers in case your child is taken ill. Do please check the contacts list and numbers provided to us (on Arbor) as some numbers may have changed. Please let the office staff know of any change of details or circumstances immediately.

**Upcoming Dates:**

**31<sup>st</sup> May – 4<sup>th</sup> June – Half Term**

**7<sup>th</sup> June – All children back to school**

