



As we heard this week of Jesus performing his first miracle at the wedding of Cana (John 2:1-11), we learnt three things from Mary:
Trust in God's care
Tell Jesus about the problem
Do what we can

The CAFOD Club took over in assembly on Friday to invite every student to make a New Year's pledge to reduce, recycle or reuse more. These will be made these at school next week – that whole family are invited to join in too – so do discuss this at the weekend if you can.

Mrs A M Black, Head of School

**"We are always on a journey in life.
Let us choose the path of God!"**

- Pope Francis

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

Year R - Francesca
Year 1 – Katherine
Year 2 – Harry
Year 3 – Keira
Year 4 – Soraia
Year 5 – Terrell
Year 6 – Silvia



House Points: Well done to St Paul!

St Bernadette – 163 points

St Francis – 162 points

St Paul – 201 points

St Theresa – 181 points

St Thomas More – 159 points

St Anne Line – 173 points



Essex County Fire & Rescue Service delivered some vital safety lessons in line with the children's current learning topics to some of our classes. Please remember to check your child's class page on our [website](http://www.st-albans.essex.sch.uk) to see what they have been up to.

Aspirations Week: As part of our PSHE topic "Dreams and Goals" our aspirations week this year is the WB: 31st January. To make this a successful week we require your support. Please do check the Arbor letter sent last Monday on 10th January.

Uniform: Please do ensure extra warm items like scarves and gloves have your child's name in. Boots (labelled) may be worn to school, then school shoes changed into at the classroom door. This includes patent boots. Should you wish to purchase any items from our Nearly New uniform supplies, please contact the office with your requirements adminstalbands@ourladyoffatimatrust.essex.sch.uk

COVID-19: If your child tests positive on an LFD test, they should isolate immediately and for the next 10 days, they do not require a PCR test. Please log the result immediately on the GOV website found [Here](https://www.gov.uk) and send the result to the school. If they get a negative LFD test on day 5 and 6 (24 hours apart) they can then return to school on day 6. The day symptoms started, or the test was taken if no symptoms is counted as day 0.

Please see attached an isolation flow chart that shows when to end self-isolation.

With the rise in COVID-19 infections in primary school age children, we encourage you to help limit the spread by testing your child twice-weekly. You can collect Lateral Flow Test kits from your local pharmacy using one of the codes provided [Here](https://www.gov.uk)

The Big Garden Birdwatch: "Be wowed by your local wildlife. Big Garden Birdwatch is for everyone, whether you're a complete beginner or a birding expert. Simply count the birds you see in your garden, from your balcony or in your local park for one hour between 28 and 30 January 2022." Our school is entered and you are all invited to take part. Students will be bringing forms home to assist with counting. For help identifying a bird you can use the following link

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/birds-and-wildlife/wildlife-guides/identify-a-bird/>

Please return forms before half term – thank you

Contact Details: It is vitally important that you ensure the school has a minimum of three up to date contact details in case of an emergency and that the numbers provided are contactable during school hours. You can check your contact details provided on your child's Arbor account under their Profile. Please contact the office if you require any help with this. Please update any details direct with the school office and not through Arbor.

ACL Family Learning: Please see attached ACL's extensive online offering to support you with "learning as a family" in 2022.

Recycle your Old Stamps: Thank you to all for the used stamps we have been receiving. It's not too late if you have a few extra at home, just hand in at the school gate to help raise vital funds for [Support Dogs](https://www.supportdogs.org.uk). Ensure you leave a 1cm border around your used stamp.



Gate Opening Times:

8:40am – 8.55am - after this time your child will be marked as late.

3.15pm – End of the school day

Dinner Menu: Our school dinner menu can be located [here](http://www.st-albans.essex.sch.uk) on our website. Please note that next week (Monday 21st January) we will be on Week 2.

Mass Times:

Usual Sunday Mass times are 10am and 6pm
<http://www.catholicchurchoftheassumption.co.uk/>

Our Lady of Fatima Parish Mass times are

STM Church Sunday 8.30am

OLF Church: Saturday 6pm

Sunday 10.30am, 12.15pm (Polish)

<https://olfstm.weebly.com/>

Upcoming Dates:

Tuesdays KS1 and KS2 PE (PE kit reqd)

Tues 1st Feb

Weds 2nd Feb

Fri 11th Feb

Mon 21st Feb

Fri 25th Feb

Mon 28th Feb

Year 5 visit to St Mark's

Aspiration Dress Up Day

Finish for Half Term- 3.15pm

Children return to school

Y2 Class Assembly

School Photo's

Attached:

- Isolation flow chart
- ACL 24th Jan – 11th Feb 2022
- Harlow Chorus

