



Thank you for all your support this week. During our Gospel Assembly on Monday we had these words in our prayer *'Help us to see that none of us is complete without the help and friendship of others'* and we have seen that help in and around school all this week. The students also reflected on their own individual skills and talents to recognise that each of us is a special gift from God. Those gifts can then be shared with others for spreading love.

This theme brings us towards Aspirations week this coming week. Several parents are going to have virtual meetings with classes to tell them about their gifts that they share with others through their jobs and we will be sharing lots of other varied roles with the students.

Ahead of this, I wish you all a relaxing weekend.

Mrs A M Black, Head of School

"The Lord looks for us where we are, he loves us as we are, and he patiently walks by our side."

- Pope Francis

Pupil of the week and House points will follow next week

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](#) 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](#)

The Big Garden Birdwatch: Thank you to all those who have returned forms. There is still time to enter! "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

Aspirations Week: As part of our PSHE topic "Dreams and Goals" our aspirations week this year begins on Monday 31st January. We are looking forward to hearing and learning lots about the world of work. For further details please refer to the Arbor letter sent on Monday 10th January. Do remember, **Wednesday is dress up day.**

Home Learning: One of the best ways you can support your child's learning is through shared learning experiences at home. Reading daily with your child is essential in developing the skills to read and the love for reading which we support here at school. Please note in the school diary when you have read with your child.

Maths is set to be completed every week. Please see the class teacher or Mrs Black on the gate if your child needs assistance accessing this. This weekly practice helps to build fluency in an engaging way for the students.

School Website: Please do remember to regularly check your child's class page and the school website for all the latest news on what our children have been up to. Click [here](#) for details on the recent Change for Life Festival.

Music Concert: Please see attached details of Mr Burton's upcoming guitar concert series. Mr Burton provides guitar tutoring at St Alban's. If you would like more information on music sessions, please contact the School Office.

Breakfast & Afterschool Club: Please be reminded that full session rates will apply if less than 24 hours' notice is given for cancellations.

Meals Accounts: Please check your child's meals account to ensure it is in a credit or zero balance. School dinners are charged at £2.20 per day for children in KS2.

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](#). Ensure you **leave a 1cm border around** your used stamp.



Peaches Wedding Shop: A local business have requested we share with our community that they are able to offer Communion clothing and accessories. www.peachesweddings.co.uk

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](#) on our website. Please note that next week (Monday 31st January) we will be on Week 3.

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)

Weds 2 nd Feb	Aspiration Dress Up Day
Fri 11 th Feb	Finish for Half Term- 3.15pm
Mon 21 st Feb	Children return to school
Fri 25 th Feb	Y2 Class Assembly
Tues 22 nd Feb	Year 5 visit to St Mark's
Mon 28 th Feb	School Photo's

Attached:

- Guitar Concert Series
- Isolation Flow Chart

