



St Alban's Catholic Academy Newsletter

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We have enjoyed a lovely end of term with much to celebrate. As a Lenten focus the students have each decorated a stick with a school value they wish to reflect and these have been joined to make the cross as shown above.

There were many House Points, leaves, certificates and other praise shared in assembly today.

This Sunday is Palm Sunday with Mass at 10.30am and Reconciliation Service at 5pm. Please see the attached page for details of Easter Services during the week.

I wish you all a Happy Easter.

Mrs A M Black, Head of School

"Our love for God and neighbour is our passport to heaven." Pope Francis

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

Year R – Jaxon

Year 1 – Evan

Year 2 – Daniel T

Year 3 – Chae

Year 4 – Whole Class

Year 5 – Bartosz

Year 6 – Lyann



House Points: Well done to **St Paul** this week's winners!

St Bernadette – 167 points

St Francis – 149 points

St Paul – 182 points

St Theresa – 131 points

St Thomas More – 128 points

St Anne Line – 153 points



Catholic Community

BCCS: Please see attached poster regarding child and family counselling services available and speak directly with BCCS regarding charges for this service.

Latest

Reports: Annual reports have come home this week. Please do complete the response that is enclosed with them so that we have your feedback. It is really important to us.

Karate Club: Karate club will restart after the Easter break on Monday 24th April (Yrs 2 & 3) and Thursday 27th April (Yrs 4, 5 & 6) – Please ensure you have registered directly with Shinseikyu Karate Academy.

Football Club: Football Club with Let's Play Football will restart on Wednesday 19th April (Yrs 4, 5 & 6) and Thursday 20th April (Yrs 1, 2 & 3) please ensure you have registered directly.

Staff Led Clubs: Details will be sent out on our return, please check your emails.

Breakfast & Afterschool Club: The Summer Term breakfast and afterschool club provisions are live and available on Arbor. Please ensure all children attending are booked and paid for in advance otherwise entry will be refused. If the date is not appearing for booking then it means the capacity for that day has been reached.

School Meals: The prices for pupil school dinners will increase on our return back after Easter to £2.35 a day. Please ensure Arbor accounts are topped up accordingly in line with the new pricing.

Easter Craft: We are inviting students to make an Easter craft for our competition. Please see the details on the attached poster. All entries to be in by Wednesday 19th April (please add a name/year label).

Tech Tips

Cyber Safety: The UK safer internet centre provide a [useful guide](#) for parents on children using phones, laptops, smart speakers, games consoles, tablets, smart tv's and social media.

Charity News

CAFOD Club launched a successful Penny Drive to raise pennies for the projects that CAFOD are involved in to support our global Catholic family. Each class had a basket and throughout Lent children brought in pennies for their class baskets. They look forward to updating you on our return the money raised.

Community

Bikeability: Bikeability Level 1 & 2 and 3 plus Learn to ride courses are available to book for the Easter break. Please see attached poster.

SEND Roadshow: Please see attached poster for full details of event being held Wednesday 19th April at The Harlow Hotel.

Parking

The Church kindly allows our parents to use their carpark at the start and end of the school day. They also have an overflow carpark that can be accessed just before the exit of the main carpark by the Parish hall. **Please be respectful of our school neighbours when parking; do not park inappropriately, blocking driveways or school entrances.**

School Life

Dinner Menu: We will return on Week 1 of our new Summer Term 2023 dinner menu which is available to view [here](#) on the website.

Term Dates: School term 2022-2023 dates are available on the [school website](#).

Key Dates: Please remember to keep check of the upcoming dates link in this newsletter which advises dates for all the key events we have planned for this academic year.

[Click here for St Alban's Key Dates 22-23](#)

Gate Opening Times:

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

3.05pm – Pre School sessions finish

3.15pm – End of the school day

Mass Times:

Old Harlow - **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/>

**Wishing you all a most
Wonderful and restful
Easter break**

Through God's love we learn together, grow together and achieve together.

