



Abbey CE VA Primary School

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Newsletter for Friday 20th May 2022

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week was national Walk to School Week. Thank you to all our parents and children who joined us on our walk to school day on Wednesday - it was certainly the perfect weather for it.

Hopefully, many of you were able to walk to school on other days this week - it seemed the better way to get here, given all the traffic! Of course, the aim of the week is for us to reflect on whether we can all walk to school more often. While I appreciate this is not always possible, it is a great way to help to improve air quality and traffic congestion near our school as well as providing an opportunity for exercise.

Yesterday we had some elderly visitors at the school. They enjoyed an afternoon lunch and were treated to a wonderful concert by our Year 4 class. Thank you to Cressida for organising this beautiful occasion and to Miss Long, Year 4, Mr Astley, Mrs McTernan and Mrs Clarke for your support.

This evening the school was lit up with sparkle, lights, music and dancing. It was lovely to be able to have a disco back in school after such a long time. The children had so much fun. Thank you to our amazing team of Friends for organising this event. Thank you to the staff and parents who helped on the night!

Enjoy your weekend! Mrs O'Melia

MESSAGE FROM FR CALUM

St Albans Young Singers runs from 5-5.50pm in the Cathedral, and is open to children from year 2-6.

We would love to welcome some new members for this term, as we prepare for some exciting events!

If you are interested, please come along, or drop Fr Calum an email at calum.zuckert@stalbanscathedral.org.



Happy Birthday to:

Charlotte Lucas Vanessa



GREEN DAY – MONDAY 23rd MAY 2022

As part of St Albans Sustainability Festival 2022, Mrs Harley and the Green Council have been working together with the Friends to organise some activities for our Green Day on Monday.

We are asking children to come to school wearing **green clothes** and bring in £1. They do not have to wear their school uniform.

Please note that If your child has a PE lesson on this day, they need to bring their PE kit in a bag and change for their lesson. During the day the children will be taking part in a drama workshop and litter picking.

Please see the flyer attached to the newsletter for more details.

MORNING AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Our Morning Club runs daily from 7.55am – 8.55am in the school hall for £6.00.

The After School Club runs from 3.20pm - 5.20pm. We also take bookings for 3.20pm - 4.20pm. The cost is £6.00 per hour.

Please use your Schoolcomms app or let the school office know if you would like your child to attend either of these clubs.



This week Reception Class and all the adults were treated to a wonderful puppet show all about Captain Sir Tom Moore.

Beatrix created the fantastic props by herself (with a little help from mummy!) and shared so many interesting facts about the life of Captain Sir Tom.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Monday 23rd May – Green Day – children to wear green and bring £1

Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th – Reception screening

Friday 27th May – Occasional Day – School closed for children and staff

Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June – Half Term

SAVE THE DATE Friday 1st July – Queens Jubilee Picnic Lunch (Parents invited)

PRAYER

Lord, as we rejoice in the gift of each new day, so may the light of your presence set our hearts on fire with love for you and compassion and kindness for everyone we meet, now and for ever.

AMEN



STAR OF THE WEEK



Reception	Theo - Well done for trying really hard over the past few weeks. Miss Felstead is very proud of you! Keep up your fantastic attitude to learning.
Year 1	Frankie - For always trying your best! You should be really proud of the super writing you did about 'Bats'. Well done!
Year 2	Audrey - Thank you for impressing us with your kindness and thoughtfulness to others this week. Well done for trying your best with all the Maths learning, a great effort!
Year 3	Arthur - Well done for a super week! You have worked hard on your creative writing, persevered with your reading and are becoming a great 'reading detective'. Keep up the hard work!
Year 4	Elizabeth - Well done for a fantastic week! You have worked super hard and focused and listened well. Thank you for contributing some great ideas in English this week.
Year 5	Lois - Well done for having a fabulous week! You have worked very hard and tried your best. Thank you for showing a very mature and helpful attitude at playtimes.
Year 6	Morgan - Thank you for being flexible, enthusiastic and happy to pitch in and take on any role to support our production. Well done for your amazing singing too!



Deciphering the safety of apps

If you are ever feeling unsure about whether an app is suitable for your child, there are a number of strategies you can use to find out. If your child already uses the app, you could ask them to show you it and how it works.

Alternatively, check for yourself before giving your child access. Common Sense Media is a particularly useful website which contains many expert reviews, video guides and videos and ratings on what both parents and children think of the app. You can simply search for the app or game in question and find a wealth of information.

<https://www.commonsensemedia.org/search>

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK



Reception	93.6%
Year 1	98%
Year 2	98.1%
Year 3	94.3%
Year 4	92.7%
Year 5	96.8%
Year 6	92.6%
Total Attendance	95.2%

Well done to Year 1 for your excellent attendance this week!