

# St Alban's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter to Parents

January 29th 2021

Dear Parents / Carers,

Thanks to you for again an amazing help to the children if we can ask for your help with the children are ready for any online "live" sessions. We can keep everyone safe if the children follow the rules below.

## **Children should:**

- Be up and ready for school.
- Stick at learning tasks and inform the teacher if they are too hard or too easy we will adapt to make "just right".
- Be prepared for learning. No pyjamas in lessons please or bedrooms!
- Follow school rules on behaviour for online learning.
- Be respectful to staff and other children.
- Ensure they are focused when on camera. Do not distract others.
- Only comment if it is sensible.
- Only post schoolwork and comments
- Only enter a MEET when there is a teacher present and leave a MEET before the teacher

## Accelerated Reader from Year 2 to 6 – helping reading

Thank you for taking on an additional task this week. All children will have their logins now.

- Using this regularly means that a pupil will be reading a suitably challenging book, a book that is at their level and helping them make good progress.
- The children (Under the teacher's direction) can take an online quiz on a book that they are reading.
- After the quiz the children receive instant **feedback** on their results, earning points towards their personalised target. If the child scores over 80% they then move onto the next book- this ensures that even when not in school we can adjust the book so that it is supporting good reading progress.
- Regular use of Accelerated reader means we can support the reading- even when at remote learning is taking place.

## Thank you from the Schools for Bethlehem Campaign



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Dear Mr McDonald

I write to thank the children and all the parents for your School's magnificent contribution to our Schools for Bethlehem Campaign. Twelve schools participated and to date we have received just short of £3,500 – a really great achievement.

St Alban's contributed £525.00 to that total. Very many thanks.

Thank you to all the parents and children that raised £525 15% of the total – a great achievement!!

### Staff PCR testing

We are now part of the Government testing scheme so that twice a week all staff complete a lateral flow test. This extra level of testing supports the school to be as safe as possible in picking up staff that may be suffering with COVID-19 but asymptomatic.

### Red Nose day 19<sup>th</sup> March



We are going to have a dress up day – DRESS LIKE A SUPERHERO – Funny is Power  
We hope to be in school !! £1 to the just giving page

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/st-albans-catholic-primary-sch-rednoseday21>

### Poor Clares

I saw this and thought you may be like to see. The Poor Clare community are an enclosed order of nuns that follow St. Clare who wanted to follow Francis of Assisi and set up the order with him.

It gives a lot of hope during these times- You can see the video here: <https://youtu.be/aflwP-KqOnA>

*Mr J McDonald*



Mr J McDonald Headteacher