



ST ALBAN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

DIOCESE OF EAST ANGLIA

Christ Be Our Light



Year 1 Class Information

Teacher: Miss Rachel Swindell

Teaching Assistant for intervention groups: Mrs. Michele Yealands

Dropping off and Picking up:

Before School:

- The Infant Morning bell rings at 8:55am.
- Year 1 children should enter the building from the Infant playground
- The school is not responsible for unattended children until 8:50am.
- Children should not be unattended in the school building before the bell rings.
- Please allow children to enter the school independently to avoid over-crowding in the peg area.
- For all Office enquiries, please enter the school through the front Reception door.

After School:

- ✓ We aim for school to end promptly at 3:15pm.
- ✓ Year 1 children will leave the school from the Infant playground door that leads to the playground.
- ✓ Children will not leave the building until the person picking them up is visible to the Class Teacher.
- ✓ If you are not picking up your child on a particular day, you must make sure that you notify the Office or Class Teacher.

School Uniform:

White or Red St. Alban's Polo T-Shirt

Black / Grey Trousers, Shorts or Skirt

Red St. Alban's Jumper or Cardigan

Red-checked Summer dress

Black / White / Grey Socks or Tights (including Red)

Smart school Shoes or Sandals (not trainers)

PE Kit:

Red School T-Shirt

Black Shorts, Jogging Bottoms or Leggings

Plimsoles or Trainers

- ✓ PE is on Monday and Friday
- ✓ It is important for your child to have a change of shoes for PE
- ✓ Please make sure that you child is not wearing any jewellery on a PE day
- ✓ All clothing needs to be labelled

Other Teachers:

Mrs. Burrows – Performing Arts

Mrs. Rackham – Computing

Mrs. Sewell – Thursday Class Teaching (English, Maths & Science)



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Homework and Reading Books:

- ✓ **Reading** ~ Each child will receive a reading book on their reading day (see window for groups). A reading book is chosen by the teacher that is suited to their ability. Each child also chooses their own book of interest that they can share at home.
- ✓ **Spellings** ~ (beginning after half term). A list of spellings for each term will be given to parents. The children will have a Spelling Record Book to practise in. Each week the results will be recorded in the book.
- ✓ **Maths** ~ (beginning after half term). Each week a non-compulsory Maths worksheet will be given to each child following the learning objectives taught that week. It is up to the parent if they wish to work with their child with this homework. You should not need to spend longer than half an hour on the homework.

Topics for the Year:

- ✓ All About Ourselves
- ✓ Celebrations and Seasonal Changes
- ✓ Explorers
- ✓ The Great Fire of London
- ✓ On Safari - Minibeasts
- ✓ Holidays

Water Bottles:

Children are allowed to bring a small bottle of water (only!) to school that they can keep in the classroom.

Wanachi / Show and Tell:

A special child ("Wanachi") is chosen each week. They can look after the class mascot, Leonard the Lion and do a special show and tell on the following Monday.

Toys:

When a child has been chosen as Wanachi, they may bring in toy items for show and tell. We do not encourage children to bring in toys in case they are lost or broken.

Questions and Queries:

Please do not hesitate to come and see me about any issues concerning your child. I am available on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays after school, or by appointment as required.

Contact details:

Miss Swindell is happy for you to email her directly if you have any information or concerns.

rswindell@stalbans.cambs.sch.uk

Important Dates:

- Phonics Check Meeting: Monday 3rd of October ~ 9:30am, 2:15pm, 6:00pm
- Music, Computing & French: Tuesday 20th September ~ 2:00pm
- Parent Consultation Day: Tuesday 18th of October ~ 1:15pm – 7:30pm