



St Alban's Newsletter

25th November, 1st Sunday of Advent

Wednesday Word – Advent

27th November—1st Sunday of Advent

30th November—St Andrew's Day— Patron saint of Scotland

End of Year of Mercy

You will notice on the newsletter the symbols for the Year of Mercy have been removed, as last week the Holy Doors in Rome and in cathedrals around the world closed. Hopefully our children will remember this year by all they did: Easter we built doors on Lensfield Road, each class studied a parable and the children created their own doors for their classrooms, and we were delighted to present our prayer book to the KS2 children to help them with their prayers (from now on each class moving into Year 3 will receive a prayer book).

CAFOD— An ethical Christmas

[Click here](#) to find out about the annual World Gifts campaign from CAFOD. You may want to consider buying something as part of your Christmas shopping list.

Advent Service Monday 5 December at 7.00 in OLEM - All welcome

Please keep this date in your diary to start your preparation, during Advent, for Christmas.

Reception Class Performance - Wednesday 7th December at 10.00

KS1 (Year1&2) Performance - Thursday 8th, Friday 9th December at 2.00

Advent Books and Calendar

Today the children are bringing home an advent book and calendar to help them with their preparations during the season of Advent. Have a look and chat to your children about the book and refer to the calendar for the daily tasks.

Thank you

Thank you to Mrs Izuzza-Williams for all the lovely Holly and Mrs Izura-William & Mrs Evans for making each class a beautiful Advent wreath

Governor minutes

Please [click here](#) to look at the last set of governor minutes.

Take more care on the roads please.

There have been a few incidents reported to the office about parents rushing to collect their children at the end of the day. A few, and we stress only a few, are; mounting the kerbs, parking on double yellow lines or driving/stopping at a high speed. Our school is situated in a very busy and vulnerable place and it does not help when our own parents are not thinking carefully. It is getting dark early in the evenings, it is also getting icy, cold and wet so **PLEASE TAKE CARE.**

Consultation on Free Schools

Please continue to tell everyone to get involved with the consultation. It is very important the Department of Education know the need in our area. [Click here](#) for more information. [Click here for online survey](#)

Bikeability

Next week Year 6 children will be coming to school on their bikes because from Monday for 4 days they will be learning how to be safe on their bikes. Please be aware of the possible congestion in the playground on Monday.

Sacred Heart

As you know Mr McCrossan has been supporting the Peterborough school for over a year. However we are delighted to say that the governors appointed a Headteacher for September 2017 and so Mr McCrossan will return to his full time duties after the summer holidays.

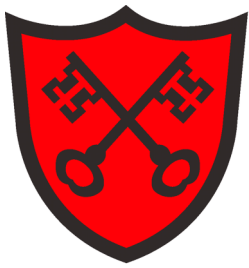
Holly wreath volunteers

The school would like to thank Kaz (Leon year 2's mum) and Makoto (Helena year 1's mum) for bringing in the greenery and making the nine advent wreaths for the school. They made a normally stressful time of year very unstressed!

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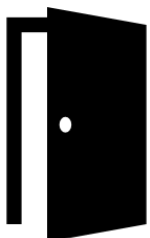
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Winter/Advent Fair

We are all looking forward to this very enjoyable time of the year. Please make sure your child has some money to buy gifts at the stalls on the 2nd December. In the afternoon each class will have the opportunity to buy from the stalls and at the end of the day all the adults are invited to come in and enjoy the festivities. The PFA have worked extremely hard to organise this lovely event so come and support them.

PFA News

A big thank you to everyone for all of your generous donations today for next week's Advent Fair. And a *huge* thank you to the parents who came along to help sort the donations this morning after drop off, we seriously couldn't have done it without you.

A reminder that we've some fantastic raffle prizes to be won, so **remember to return your raffle tickets (please put them in an envelope together with the money)**, ideally for Wednesday 30 November, together with payment and post these into the PFA post box outside the school office.

Finally, don't miss the Advent Fair next Friday, 2nd December. Your child(ren) will need some money to spend when visiting the fair in the afternoon, please try to remember to give them a few coins to avoid disappointment. Then come along to join the fun at 3.15pm, for a cup of mulled wine, some gift shopping and ending with the infamous raffle!

If you can help on the day, please, we are desperate for more helpers to run the stalls for the children, both in the afternoon and after school pickup. It's loads of fun, the kids love to see you there running the stalls, **not to mention the guaranteed warm Christmassy glow you get from helping to make a happy day for the kids.** Contact stalbanspfa@gmail.com.

Homework

- Y3- Understanding Multiplication
- Y4- Division by chunking
- Y5- P19 Subtracting Decimals
- Y6- Percentages worksheet

Quiz

- What does 'reconciliation' mean?
- What is penance?
- Can you find out the words to the Act of Contrition?