

PARENT SURVEY

Thank you to those parents who took the time to complete the parent survey. There were so many positive comments made and we are truly grateful for these. I shared them with the staff today as it is always encouraging to know that all their hard work is being recognised. Any areas for development have been noted and will be taken on board. I will collate the results and share them with you next week.

WALKING HOME ALONE

Please be reminded that only Year 5 or 6 children who have written permission to walk home alone are permitted to bring a phone to school. These must be switched off and handed into the office first thing and collected at the end of the day and only switched on when off school premises. You must also complete a permission form for your child to walk home alone. If they have siblings younger than Year 5, they do not have permission to walk them home.

As was mentioned in communication from the St Albans Heads' Consortium last academic year, primary schools in St Albans are encouraging parents not to choose smartphones for children if they do decide to get their child a phone. St Adrian's is a smartphone free school. You can sign up to the pact of the Smartphone Free childhood on our website. There is also lots of information there about the dangers of too much screen time.

[Smartphone Free School](#)

MEDICINES IN THE OFFICE

Please be advised that the only medicine that the office will now administer is prescribed medicine with the child's name and the amount to be taken. If your child requires antibiotics for example, please bring this to the office where you can complete a form. We are not permitted to administer anything else. If you have been contacted by Mrs Hart (SENCO) for any medical form updates, please return these as soon as possible so that we have current information for your child in order to support them. As part of our INSET day all the staff in the school have had training on anaphylaxis and allergies and have read the medical plans we have already so that we can provide the right care for your children.

ONLINE SAFETY

At the start of the year, it is important that we have a refresh and reminder of some important safeguarding areas.

I have attached our online safety policy and also an acceptable use agreement for pupils and parents. Please read this with your child and discuss the matters mentioned so that we may work together to ensure the pupils safety. Teachers will also share this with pupils in their computing sessions.

Throughout the year, pupils will be taught about various ways to keep themselves safe in RHSE lessons and also computing lessons. It is important that you as parents also monitor their online activity at home. The internet can be a great tool but there are also many dangers.

Please visit our E-safety page on the website for any advice and tips. [E- Safety at St Adrian's](#)

I have also attached our mobile phone policy. We have joined the smartphone free movement with the St Albans Heads' Consortium to encourage our children to have a smartphone free childhood.

We also ask that parents do not use their mobile phones when on school premises unless when given specific permission for class assemblies etc.

Please read the policies that were sent out earlier in the week and if you have any questions, please contact me.



CATHOLIC LIFE

WEDNESDAY WORD

The Wednesday Word is a gift to families because of their connection with a Catholic school.

Every Wednesday a 'word', inspired by the coming Sunday's Gospel, will be suggested for families to talk about in the home. The *Wednesday Word* Family Time leaflet presents an opportunity for even the busiest of parents to enrich relationships with their children through spending a very special 10 minutes together each week.

Follow the link to find this week's Wednesday Word: <https://wednesdayword.org/home/index.htm>

MARK 10 MISSION

Please follow the link for this week's Mark 10 Mission for you to share with the children. The Little Liturgies videos are age appropriate. <https://www.themark10mission.co.uk/the-little-liturgies>

WELL DONE TO OUR WINNERS!!!

AWARDS THIS WEEK ARE

HOUSE POINTS - CONGRATULATIONS ST MATTHEW!!

St Mark = 80

St Matthew= 70

St Luke = 77

St John= 67

Class		
Reception	Oscar	Emilio
Year 1	Evie	Mikey
Year 2	India	Noah
Year 3	Anthony	Rital
Year 4	Georgie	Flavia
Year 5	Jesse	Orlagh
Year 6	Matilda	Liam

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

- Tuesday 15th September 9.00am - Meet the teacher Year 4
- **Tuesday 15th September 6.00pm - Parent meeting about the new Ofsted Toolkit**
- Wednesday 16th September 9.00am - Meet the teacher Year 2
- Thursday 17th September 9.00am - Meet the teacher Year 3
- Friday 18th September - 9.00am Phonics and Reading Workshop - Open to EYFS and any new parents of Y1/Y2

DATES FOR THE DIARY FOR THE WHOLE SCHOOL YEAR ARE ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE

[Click here](#)

Have a great weekend everyone.

Many thanks,

Mrs Porter