**School Bulletin w/e 14th May 2021**

**Headteacher's Awards**

This week's awards go to:-

**Year 6:**  James Cox and Mate Bakonyi

**Year 5:**Addison Brown and Noah McAuliffe

**Year 4:**Keeva Hanbury and Aidan Lewis

**Year 3:**Henry Madders and Phoebe Mulkerrin

**Year 2:**Patrick Bird and Roman Tyler.

**Year 1:** Harry Lakey and Harper Nash

**Reception:**Liam Reidy and George Fitzgerald

Congratulations to all of them.

**House Points -Weekly totals**

Congratulations to everyone in Mark  for achieving the most house points this week.

**Mark**: 346

Luke:  284

Matthew:  247

John: 168

**Ascension Day Mass**

The whole school attended the Ascension Day Mass online from Our Lady and St Vincent Potters Bar on Thursday. We hope some parents were also able to join remotely from home.

**Wednesday Word:**

Please see the link for this week's Wednesday Wordbelow*.*

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/care?pid=MTA101634&v=27.8>

**ClubKidz:**

Mr Bedford met with Clubkidz in early April. It was agreed that their return would follow the government plans for full lifting of restrictions. If the roadmap continues to follow the government timeline, Clubkidz will return to St Adrian's on 21st June. They will be writing directly to parents nearer the time.

**Year 6 Summer Production:**

Assuming the government's road map to lifting restrictions remains on track we hope to stage a live performance for the Year 6 Summer Production. The date set is 7th July. More details will follow.

**Year 6 Leavers' Mass and Buffet:**

Again, assuming the government's road map to lifting restrictions remains on track we hope to have the Year 6 Leavers' Mass and Buffet on 15th July. As usual we will write, soon, to Year 5 parents to help support the catering of the event.

**Baroness Floella Benjamin -By Year 2**

On Tuesday, Year 2 had a really special day, because we had a Zoom meeting with Baroness Floella Benjamin and she told us about her amazing life.  170 other schools came too.  She told us that if we wanted to remember all the great things that we do in our lives, we should write a diary, so that is what we have done and here are our memories of the Zoom meeting.

When she was a little girl, Baroness Floella Benjamin lived in Trinidad with her Marmie and her Dardie and five brothers and sisters. Her home was filled with love and jazz music.  Floella loved Trinidad and her favourite thing was to dance in the hot rain.  We think that sounds great fun, but it is because Trinidad is so close to the equator and it is really, really hot.  They only have two seasons.

When she was eight years old, Floella's Marmie and Dardie came to England and Floella was left behind with her sister Sandra. She was so sad.  When she came over to England a year later, Floella and her brothers and sisters travelled on a big boat, all by themselves for fifteen days.  We couldn't believe that, but we all gasped when Floella Benjamin told us that when they got to England, everyone in the family had to live together in one room.  They even had to share a stove with other families outside on the landing!  Everything was different for Floella and when they went to school, the children were mean to her because of the colour of her skin.  We didn't think that was right at all.  You have to be kind and caring to everyone.  Floella stood up for herself and slowly, the other children let her join in. Floella Benjamin wanted to show everyone that she could be whatever she wanted to be and she tried as hard as she could at school.  When she grew up, she had lots of great jobs, but now Floella Benjamin is a baroness in the House of Lords.

The best thing was when we heard the name of our school, which meant that Floella was going to answer one of our questions.  We asked Floella what she liked most about living in England and she said that she loved the four seasons, especially the blossom in the spring and the snow in wintertime.  We thought that was a good answer, because we love nature too.

Floella had lots of fantastic things to say to us and she asked us to promise to never bully anyone.  We made some posters that show what we have learned from Floella and we have put them up in our playground for everyone to see.

Every class has a copy of Baroness Floella Benjamin's book Coming to England and we think that it is a fantastic story with beautiful pictures.

So what was the last message that Floella had for us all?  Don't forget to smile!

**St Albans Family Support Service**

St Albans Family Support Service have a 5 week Family Toolkit Parenting Course coming up, please see attachments for dates. The service provides support to children up to age 11 which is often free.

Please follow this link for information about everything that's going on at the Family Centre,  <https://linktr.ee/StAlbansFCS>

**PTA Mufti day**

Thankyou to all the children who came in non-school uniform and donated to the PTA today. Your donations are very gratefully received at a time when fundraising is difficult.

Have a lovely weekend

Kind regards

Janet Flint