

## **St Adrian's Weekly Bulletin- Friday 8th September 2023**

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Welcome Back!**

A very warm welcome back to everyone. We have all just about managed to survive the heat this week!! The children have settled really well into their class routines and they are becoming familiar with the rules and expectations for the new year. Thank you to those of you who have attended the parent meetings so far. If you are unable to attend, please don't worry, the teachers will post their slides on Google Classroom for you to read at your leisure.

I have attached dates for the diary and also the dates for the academic year 2024-2025. As always, further dates will be added throughout the year as trips, workshops and sporting events etc are organised but these are the main events so far.

### **Happy birthday Mary!**

Some classes have been learning about the nativity of the birth of Mary. Today we celebrate Mary's birthday and we think about the important role she played in Jesus' life. We thank you Mary for the nurture and care you gave to Jesus on his journey on earth. May God bless you.

### **Goodbye from Brother Nelson**

I am pleased to say that Br Nelson arrived home safely after a holiday where he visited Fatima and he prayed for the community of St Adrian's. The children all make a lovely book of memories and prayers for him, which he greatly appreciated. I have attached his letter in response. Please share it with the children and we wish Br Nelson all the very best and we think of him in our prayers.

### **PTA News**

#### **WELCOME BACK**

A big welcome back from the PTA, we hope you all had a relaxing summer and are ready for another year of fundraising and supporting our wonderful school!

Firstly, we would like to say a HUGE thank you to both Jen and Caroline for all that they did over the last few years as the Co-chairs. They did a brilliant job and have raised a lot of money for the school to support our children. We presented them both with some flowers and wine at the end of term. Thank you so much ladies.

#### **SUMMER BBQ SATURDAY 16th SEPTEMBER**

Our first event of the year is coming up, our school summer bbq which was postponed from July. We have an early bird offer on ticket sales, £2 per adult and wristbands £6 per child. Money can be transferred directly into the PTA account:

**St Adrians School P T A (there needs to be a gap between the letters)**

**Account number: 00505187**

**Sort code: 09-01-55**

Early bird ticket sales are a great help for the PTA as it gives us an idea of numbers on the day. Tickets on the door are £2 per adult, £8 for a wristband.

Please do invite grandparents, aunties and uncles and family friends to come along!

We are still looking for volunteers to help on some of the stalls and for the set up and clean up on the day, please do get in touch with your class REPS if you can lend some of your time.

Looking forward to seeing lots of you there!

Emma and Donna



### Fun Fest Holiday Club

We are delighted to announce that there will be a holiday club at St Adrian's in October half term. This is run independently of the school by 'Fun Fest' who have clubs throughout Hertfordshire. More information and details can be found at: <https://fun-fest.co.uk/stalbans-abbey/> Your child has been given a leaflet about the club today. If the club is a great success, the intention is that they would provide the club over all the holidays. We hope that you will make use of this great service. There is a wide variety of activities that they run such as: laser tag, archery, circus skills, escape rooms, sports, themed parties and much, much more!



## St Bartholomew's Food Bank

The foodbank has been a great success and there are plenty of food bags ready to be collected when the church is open (each day except Thursday) Anyone can drop off food or give a donation.

*You can put cash in an envelope marked St. Bart's Food Pantry through the presbytery door, write a cheque to St Bartholomew's Church reference Food Pantry and post or pop through the presbytery door or make a bank transfer using this:*

*WRCDT St Albans South Catholic Church Account 40 05 20 81308440 marking it "Food Pantry"*

We are happy for anyone to contact Fr Francis directly (01727 850066 / stalbanssouth@rcdow.org) or me (Jackie Tominey 07702 948585 jackie.tominey@ntlworld.com) directly in confidence if that's easier.

We hope that you are able to make use of this service if you are struggling. Please let others know that the parish is there to help.

## RAAC Survey

You will be pleased to know that we had asked the diocese for a survey to be done on the school back in May and they have confirmed that there is no RAAC in the school roof.

## The Wonder of Wood Fair - Upcoming Event Information



Dear Parents and Guardians,

We'd like to inform you of an upcoming event that might be of interest to our school community:

The Wonder of Wood Fair *Date:* September 9th and 10th *Time:* 10 am - 5 pm *Location:* Burwash Manor

Event Details:

- A variety of educational activities including woodworking, willow weaving, and storytelling.
- Entry is free for children under 16.
- There will be live folk music and food stalls.
- It's a family-friendly event with offerings for both adults and children.

For more information, you can visit [www.thewonderofwoodfair.com](http://www.thewonderofwoodfair.com), or visit the fair's official [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#) pages.

**Have a great weekend.**

**Many thanks,**

**Mrs Porter**