

St Adrian's Weekly Bulletin- Friday 10th November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

REMEMBRANCE ASSEMBLY

The children all listened and behaved very respectfully at our remembrance assembly today. The Chaplaincy Team led us in a reflection and prayer as we remembered those soldiers who lost their lives in wars.



Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,

and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May the souls of all the faithful departed,

through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

~Amen~

CHILDREN IN NEED

It's that time of year again when we do what we can to raise money for Children In Need. Children In Need supports many charities who work with children that are sick, who are caregivers themselves and children who are vulnerable for a variety of reasons. We would like to support Children in Need in two ways this year.

Firstly, on 17th November, all children across the school can come to school wearing their spotty/ yellow or striped clothes. To do so, they will need to bring in £1.

Secondly, on the 17th of November, we will be hosting a competition to support Children in Need: The Great St Adrian's Bake Off. For £1 to enter the competition, children can bring in cakes they have made and decorated (large or small). The School Council will judge the cakes from each class. There will be a winner from each class plus an overall winner.

As a precautionary measure, please ensure that the cakes do not contain any nut products and a little ingredients information card should be provided with the cakes listing the ingredients for the benefit of anyone who might have allergies or intolerances.

At the end of the day, there will be a cake sale from all the cakes everybody made to raise even more for this worthy charity.

Let's work together to make a difference!

17th NOVEMBER
WE HELP CHILDREN IN NEED!



MATHS UPDATE FROM MRS HAYES

By now, the KS2 children should all be able to access the Times Table Rock Stars website. The children are certainly enjoying playing the games. If you would like more information on why learning your times tables is so important, head to this parents' page on TTRS. <https://ttrackstars.com/parents/>

WHY ARE TIMES TABLES IMPORTANT?

SUPPORT LEARNING

Times tables serve as a building block for higher-level maths concepts.

With a strong understanding of multiplication, children will succeed with topics such as division, fractions, algebraic equations, and more!

STRENGTHEN LIFE SKILLS

Times tables have practical applications in our daily lives.

From calculating prices and discounts while shopping, to managing budgets, multiplication is an essential skill for financial literacy and general problem-solving.

BUILD CONFIDENCE

Children feel more confident in their mathematical abilities when they have a solid grasp of times tables.

They'll be up for tackling more challenging mathematical tasks and increase their success and enjoyment of Maths!

Next week, children from Years 2-6 are invited to go onto Numbots (Y2) or TTRS (3-6) to play the regular games as part of the country wide competition, England Rocks.



Have your school reach new heights with England Rocks. The online times tables competition that will boost maths confidence alongside accuracy and recall speed.

Enjoy being part of this great maths challenge!
Mrs Hayes (Maths Subject Leader)

ANTI BULLYING WEEK

St Adrian's School will mark Anti-Bullying Week 2023 with an odd sock day on Monday 13th November. Please come to school wearing two odd socks - as wacky as you like - to celebrate the fact that we are all unique.

TRY TIMES KIDS RUGBY

Please see the attached flyer for boys and girls aged 2- 8 years. Who knows, there could be some rugby superstars in the making !

FOOTBALL V SKYSWOOD - Report by Lily and Neve

On Monday 6th November, the Year 5 and 6 girls took part in a match. We played against Skyswood and ended up drawing 3-3 in a home match. All the girls showed great sporting attitudes and passion in their playing, all trying their very best. We had great teamwork and never gave up. Most importantly we made our school proud.



NETBALL V PARK STREET - Report by Jessica and Ciara

On 9th November, the netball team played against Park Street and won 10 - 0 !!! The girls showed great teamwork and sportsmanship and made the school proud.



OPEN MORNINGS

We are delighted to announce that we will be hosting several open mornings in St Adrian's Catholic Primary School over the coming months. If you are preparing for your child to start Nursery or Reception in September 2024, then please book a tour, come along to visit our wonderful school and see it in action.

St Adrian's is a fantastic community with the children at the heart of all that we do. A visit to the school is warmly encouraged - Let all friends and families know and invite them along too.

The open morning dates are as follows:

Tuesday 5th December

Wednesday 6th December

Thursday 11th January

Friday 12th January

9.15am – Approx 10.00am

Please email the office : admin@stadrians.herts.sch.uk or call 01727852687 to book a tour.

We very much look forward to welcoming you along.

ST ALBANS CHOIR

St Albans Musical Voices - Find Your Musical Voice!

This is an exciting opportunity for children in Years 2 - 5 to find their musical voice.

We specialise in offering a safe space where children can come and sing whatever their ability. We create a friendly nurturing environment where each child can develop their own unique voice. The children will learn all aspects of singing, whilst singing enjoyable music, and having lots of fun. No previous experience necessary. Workshops with visiting specialists, performance opportunities and progression routes all part of the fun. Please note this activity takes place **outside school, at St Albans Music School – Thursdays 4:30 – 5:30pm.**

For more information and to sign up, please visit

<https://www.hertsmusicservice.org.uk/st-albans-music-school>, and scroll to 'Something for Everyone'.

PTA UPDATE

Christmas Wreath Workshop

Thank you to all those that have signed up so far! We have just 2 tickets remaining, if you would like to join us please complete the google form indicating how many tickets you would like and your email address. An email will be sent out with payment details once we have sold all 30 tickets.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScuAyKWuIQ_E9A9yqbAM9Kn54_CuYoWHEjL9dPj92F52cDI/GA/viewform?usp=pp_url

Non-uniform day- 24th November

By popular demand we are bringing back the bottle tombola at our christmas fayre. Children are welcome to wear their own clothes in exchange for a bottle of alcohol per family. The Knights of St Columba have offered to help run the stall at the fayre so we are counting on donations to make it a successful event!

Adopt a teddy

We are looking for donations of soft toys for our adopt a teddy stall at the fair. We imagine in the lead up to Christmas people will be having a clear out of soft toys and teddies. Please consider the condition of the soft toys before sending them in.

Please hand donations into your class REPS, a member of the PTA committee or the school office before Monday 27th November.

Christmas Jumpers

The PTA are collecting outgrown Christmas jumpers. Please pass any you have to a PTA member or the school office. These will be on sale at the Christmas Fayre.

Save the Date!

Our Christmas fayre is on Saturday 2nd December 12pm-3pm.

It would be wonderful to see lots of you there, friends and family most welcome!

Congratulations to St Matthew!!!!

HOUSE POINTS- The points this week are as follows:

St Matthew = 282

St Luke = 233

St John = 225

St Mark = 114

AWARDS THIS WEEK - CONGRATULATIONS TO

This week's learning attitude was 'To use strategies !'

Class	Headteacher's Award	Star Writer Award
Reception	Lacey Alexander	Charlie McEvoy
Year 1	Rosie Moore	Macey Banham

Year 2	Divine Fordjour	Darcy Elliott.
Year 3	Evie Green	Megan Ashworth
Year 4	Gianluigi Barletta	Athina McAllister
Year 5	Chun Ho Fong	Neve Vlijter
Year 6	Beth Horwood	Tadhg Biddlecombe

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

- Monday 13th November - Odd Socks Day - as part of Anti Bullying Week
- Friday 17th November - Children in Need - 'The Great St Adrian's Bake' off competition and cake sale after school.
- **PLEASE NOTE, THE YEAR 4 CAKE SALE HAS BEEN POSTPONED FROM FRIDAY 17TH NOVEMBER TO FRIDAY 8TH DECEMBER**

Have a wonderful weekend.

Many thanks,

Mrs Porter