

St Adrian's Weekly Bulletin- Friday 24th November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

CHILDREN IN NEED

The School Council would like to thank everybody who helped our school raise an amazing **£526.76** for Children in Need last week. Whether the children wore spots, made a cake, bought a cake or did all three, your generosity will go to help children's charities across the country who support children and their families who are in great need.

Thank you!



Year 6 Trip to Hampton Court - Report by Beth Horwood

On our class trip, we went to Hampton Court Palace, we learnt about the Tudors and many of the events that took place there.

We went into the Great Hall, where all the important people ate twice a day. There were many long tables including one where the king and queen would eat with their most important courtiers. On the ceiling, there were heads called eavesdroppers to remind the servants that they were always being watched. On the walls, there was a huge tapestry showing a Bible story. When Henry VIII beheaded Anne Boleyn, he wanted every trace of her removed from the palace, but one of her signatures still remains in the carving on one of the walls.

We also visited the Chapel Royal. Henry VIII went to church every day. We saw the place where Henry VIII would sit for Mass. This was separate from where his Queen would sit. Another thing we saw in the chapel was Henry VIII's crown, although it was a replica because the real one was destroyed by Oliver Cromwell. It is made of pearls, emeralds, rubies and sapphires.

In the kitchen, there were many bags of food and a fireplace where the meat would be cooked and places where they made the meals. Nearly 1,200 meals were prepared every day because they had to feed 600 people twice a day.

I learnt many things about the Tudors on our school trip to Hampton Court Palace.



CHRISTMAS EVENTS

Please find attached all the dates for Christmas events. We will also be organising a visit for some children to Vesta Lodge to sing for the residents there, more information to follow.

We will be holding our Grandparents' Tea again this year and I have attached the link at the bottom of the dates and below. Please sign up so we have an idea of numbers. 2 Grandparents per child only. **Please be assured that if grandparents are unable to make it, any family member may come.**

Don't forget our dressing of the tree and Advent assembly next Friday at 9.00am, just after drop off.

[Grandparents' Tea 2023](#)



PTA UPDATE

Adopt-a-teddy

We are still looking for soft-toy/teddy donations for our adopt-a-teddy stall! Please hand donations into the school office.

Volunteers

We are still looking for volunteers for the Christmas fair. Please do get in touch with your class REPS and let them know if you can help on a stall, help to set up or clear up. Many hands make light work! Events such as these can't go ahead without the support from parents and carers.

Raffle

We have an impressive array of raffle prizes at the fair this year. If you are unable to attend the fair but would like to enter, we will have a team of volunteers at the school gates next Friday so you can purchase tickets. A list of prizes will be sent out next week.

Thank you for all the bottle donations today. I am sure the whole fair will be a great success!

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'.

Congratulations to St Matthew!!!!

HOUSE POINTS- The points this week are as follows:

St Matthew = 226

St John = 176

St Mark = 151

St Luke = 139

AWARDS THIS WEEK - CONGRATULATIONS TO

This week's learning attitude was 'To overcome obstacles !'

Class	Headteacher's Award	Star Writer Award
Reception	Gabrielle Wilson	Tess Wright
Year 1	Georgie McEvoy	Rosanne Wong
Year 2	Jaaziah Ojelkere	Eva Pollecutt
Year 3	Aydin Ali	Rozalia Jackson
Year 4	Roisin Mc Namara - O' Malley	George Adams
Year 5	Jeremy Aluwihare	Austin McAuliffe
Year 6	Henry Madders	Lara Taylor

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

- Tuesday 28th November - 9.00am - Rocksteady Concert
- Thursday 30th November - 6.45pm - PTA Wreath making workshop
- Friday 1st December -9.00am- Advent assembly and dressing of the tree
- Saturday 2nd December 12.30-3.30pm PTA Christmas Fayre

Have a wonderful weekend.

Many thanks,

Mrs Porter