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Dear Parents

This will be my final letter for the year and what a busy year it has been! The trips and visits, the thematic weeks, sporting and musical activities coupled with the many and varied learning experiences that my team provide for the children on a daily basis would not have been possible without the wonderful staff team we have here at Alban City School. I would like to thank them publicly for all their hard work, commitment and enthusiasm over the year. Secondly I would like to thank the Governing Body for their support, guidance and strategic vision they have for our school. Finally, thank you to all of you for your continued support with learning activities, additional events, help in school and PTA ventures. We truly have a school to be proud of.

It has been wonderful to have the refurbished playground this year. It was certainly worth the wait and to see the sports lessons and active playtimes taking place has been brilliant.

We say good bye to a number of staff who are leaving us and we wish them well in their future travels, teaching positions and/ or retirement. Special thanks must go to Mrs Mortimer who is one of our founding members of staff and is retiring due to ill health. We know that she will be back to visit or help out on occasions! Mrs Spain our music teacher is also retiring so thanks to her also.

Sports Day

I hope that you all enjoyed sports day. Not quite as hot as in previous years but still pretty warm! It was really good to be able to hold some of the activities here at school for the younger children in our playground and to stagger the events. I am always grateful to St Albans High School for Girls for the use of their grounds and facilities which are perfect for our sports.

Parking Permits

You would have received a letter from me last week about parking permits. I have been notified by St Albans District Council that they will not have permits ready before the end of this week and at this stage have not given me any indication of how many permits they will have available. For those of you who currently have permits you will therefore need to make alternative arrangements for parking in the first week of term until I have information and permits.

I have been notified by a resident in Church Green that there is a parent driving a black BMW car with the following registration HN10 OVR who is continually parking in the restricted zone outside the houses. If this is you please stop this illegal and inconsiderate practice.

School Uniform

In accepting a place for your child at our school you agree to send your child to school in the correct school uniform each day. We expect all our children to wear the correct school uniform to school and that includes correct footwear. A small number of children have started to wear trainers to school and these are not part of our uniform. Children must wear black school shoes. If you are purchasing new shoes for your child over the summer holiday please ensure that they are compliant with our uniform policy.

School Meal Payments

If your child has had school meals this term for which you have not yet paid, please can you settle the account either by cash/cheque tomorrow at the School Office, or online using your School Gateway account.

School meal payments should be paid in advance and as we close the school year all outstanding debts need to be cleared. If at the start of the new school year in September your child has an outstanding balance, we will not be able to provide further meals until the balance is cleared and you will need to provide a packed lunch from home.

Art Shed After School Club

Art Shed is an independent after school club provider who offers an art club here for children from Year One and above. Details of the club are as follows:

Tuesdays 3.30-4.30pm. 12th September – 12th December. Cost £104 for thirteen sessions.

Booking is taken online at www.shedloadsofun.com

School Works

Over the summer holidays we have some toilet refurbishment work going on. The toilets by the hall, adult toilets by the stairs and the disabled toilet by the lift are all being refurbished. These toilets were not refurbished when the school opened so are well and truly ready for an overhaul. The floor covering in the children's downstairs toilets is also being replaced so we are looking forward to returning to some nice fresh, bright facilities.

Young Minds

This information has been passed to me and I thought that it may be useful. The Young Minds website at www.youngminds.org.uk has a lot of information about mental health and well-being for children and young people. There is a lot of good advice on the website, suggested activities and also details of a parent helpline.

And Finally...

Please remember that we finish for the term on Friday 21st July at 1.30pm. I hope that you have a good summer break and I look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 5th September at the usual time.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Goddard

Headteacher