

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school and Happy New Year. I hope you had a lovely time with your family during the holidays. A particularly warm welcome to all the families who have joined Alban City School this week, as well as our new teachers Miss Young (Sky Class) and Miss Miles (Scarlet Class). Just a short update from me today with a few reminders and some dates for your diary as we start a new term.

Maths Parent Meeting

The second in our series of Maths information sessions for parents will take place next Friday, 17th January from 9.00-9.45am in the school hall. Tea and coffee will be available to help get your maths brains going! Last time over 100 parents attended and the feedback was extremely positive, so we're looking forward to a great turn out again. As we are expecting high numbers, please use this form to book your place. <https://forms.gle/2jg63kTwExnMYRRa7>

ELSA clinics

A reminder that we are holding a clinic in school on 4th February to screen children to find out the risk of them getting Type 1 diabetes. If you would like your child to be screened and haven't yet signed them up, or you would like more information, please visit www.elsadiabetes.nhs.uk. The deadline to sign up is 28th January.

Educational Mental Health Practitioner

I am delighted to welcome Sirpa Tunstall to our school. Sirpa works for the NHS as an Educational Mental Health Practitioner and will be in our school every Friday. Her role is to support parents and children if there are mild to moderate mental health concerns for the child such as behavioural concerns, emotional regulation, phobias, anxiety or worries. Sirpa will be holding a parent information meeting on Friday 24th January at 9am to share more details about her role and the referral process.

I hope you have a lovely weekend and manage to keep warm in this very cold weather.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Stray

Diary Dates Spring Term 2025

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| Monday 13 th Jan | Clubs start |
| Friday 17 th Jan | Maths parent meeting 9.00-9.45am in the school hall |
| Tuesday 21 st Jan | Year 6 TLM survey (school health team) |
| Tuesday 21 st Jan | Sage and Magenta Money Management workshop |
| Wednesday 22 nd Jan | Forest and Amethyst Money Management workshop |
| Thursday 23 rd Jan | Y1 visit to St Peter's Church |
| Friday 24 th Jan | Educational Mental Health Practitioner parent meeting 9.00 -9.30am |
| Wednesday 29 th Jan | Lunar New Year themed lunch |
| Tuesday 4 th Feb | ELSA clinic (Diabetes screening) |
| Wednesday 5 th Feb | Class photographs |
| Friday 7 th Feb | Saffron class assembly 9.00am in the theatre |
| Friday 7 th Feb | Orchestra Day at St Albans School for invited musicians Y4-6 |

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| Thursday 13 th Feb | Year 2 visit to Clarence Park |
| Friday 14 th Feb | Gold class assembly 9.00am in the theatre |
| Monday 17 th Feb | Half term break |
| Friday 28 th Feb | Amber class assembly 9.00am in the theatre |
| Thursday 6 th March | Year 6 trip to RAF Museum |
| Friday 7 th March | Vermillion class assembly 9.00am in the theatre |
| Tuesday 11 th March | Crimson class visit to Cathedral |
| Tuesday 11 th March | Parent consultation meetings |
| Thursday 13 th Feb | Parent consultation meetings |
| Friday 14 th March | Scarlet class visit to Cathedral |
| Friday 14 th March | Crimson class assembly 9.00am in the theatre |
| Friday 21 st March | Scarlet class assembly 0.00am in the theatre |
| Friday 4 th April | End of term 1.30pm |

Sports fixtures

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| Thursday 9 th Jan | Girls friendly vs Skyswood |
| Thursday 16 th Jan | Boys A vs Killigrew |
| Friday 17 th Jan | Girls vs Killigrew |
| Tuesday 21 st Jan | Girls vs Cunningham Hill |
| Wednesday 22 nd Jan | Year 5 Girls vs Bowmansgreen |
| Thursday 23 rd Jan | Sportshall Qualifiers |
| Thursday 23 rd Jan | Year 5 Boys vs Bowmansgreen |
| Friday 24 th Jan | Inclusive Mixed Football tournament @ Samuel Ryder |
| Tuesday 28 th Jan | Boys A vs Bowmansgreen |
| Wednesday 29 th Jan | Girls vs St Alban and St Stephen |
| Thursday 30 th Jan | Year 6 Netball vs Camp |
| Monday 3 rd Feb | Year 5 Netball vs Bernards Heath |
| Tuesday 4 th Feb | Girls tournament at Watford Training Ground |
| Tuesday 4 th Feb | Year 5 Girls vs Bowmansgreen |
| Thursday 6 th Feb | Year 6 Netball vs Bernards Heath |
| Monday 10 th Feb | Boys A & B vs Prae Wood |
| Wednesday 12 th Feb | Year 4 Netball vs Prae Wood |
| Thursday 13 th Feb | Year 5 Netball vs Prae Wood (home) |
| Thursday 27 th Feb | Cross country @ Mandeville |
| Tuesday 4 th March | Girls A friendly vs Prae Wood |
| Thursday 6 th March | Year 5 Netball vs Wheatfields |
| Saturday 8 th March | Year 6 Netball tournament @ Samuel Ryder |
| Monday 10 th March | Year 5 Netball vs Killigrew |
| Thursday 13 th March | Year 6, Year 5A, Year 5/6 B and Year 4 Netball @ Samuel Ryder |
| Tuesday 18 th March | Year 5 Netball tournament @ Samuel Ryder |
| Thursday 27 th March | Cross country @ Garden Fields |
| Thursday 24 th April | Year 4 Netball tournament @ Samuel Ryder |