



ALBAN CITY SCHOOL
PTA

Autumn 2021 Newsletter

Welcome back!

A very warm welcome back to all parents, carers and children and especially to those who have just joined us at Alban City School! We hope you've all enjoyed the summer and are excited about the term ahead. We think you'll be very pleased to see that we've been able to bring back some of our beloved events, so read on and be sure to get these in your diary. Even with the challenges faced recently, we managed to raise a truly amazing amount for our wonderful school over the past academic year – over **£10,000!** The children of Alban City directly benefit from these funds and we've been able to provide some much-needed resources and fun activities as a result (see our fund jar and wish list on the next page for more details). We sincerely thank everyone across the entire school community as we couldn't have achieved this without your involvement, help and generosity. ❤️

Lizzi, Julie, Helen, Amy and the PTA Family

Dates for the diary

- * **PTA Meeting**
Thursday, 16th September, 7:30pm
Alban City School, Meeting Room
- * **Macmillan Coffee Morning & Mini Nearly-New Uniform Sale**
Friday, 24th September, 8:45am
Alban City School, Community Room
- * **100 Club Registration Deadline**
Thursday, 30th September
- * **Club Excel Silent Auction Deadline**
Thursday, 30th September
- * **Halloween Disco for Years 4-6**
Tuesday, 19th October, 6-7:30pm
Alban City School
- * **Odyssey Cinema Takeover**
Monday, 1st November, time TBA
- * **PTA Meeting**
Tuesday, 9th November, 8:30pm, Zoom
- * **Coffee Morning**
Monday, 29th November, 8:45am
Alban City School, Community Room
- * **Film Night for Reception-Year 3**
Tuesday, 14th December, time TBA
Alban City School

**MORE
coming
soon!**



Registration is now open for our annual lottery, the **100 CLUB!** It's an easy and fun way to raise funds for our great school and we hope you'll participate. Deadline for registration is **Thursday, 30th September.** Please refer to the **100 CLUB flyer** for all the details on how to enter.



We're now on Instagram!
Follow us for the latest in PTA news and events listings.



Fundraising Highlights: August 2020 – August 2021



We have raised a fantastic amount over the past year thanks to you! As a result, we were able to tick off many items from the school's wish list as well as deliver a bit of fun with the online panto, Christmas discos and Leavers' disco. We also collaborated with celebrated local artist, Hannah Sessions, to produce gorgeous prints of the school as Leavers' keepsakes and helped fund their hoodies. In addition to our fundraising efforts and providing some merriment for the children, we took time to give back to the community at Christmas by supporting the Salvation Army Present Appeal. We are hoping for another successful year ahead and would love your help in the process! Please do get in touch if you can assist or have ideas for a new event and are happy to help bring it to life!

School's wish list

- * Additional trolley of 32 Chromebooks ✓
- * Art and design technology equipment ✓
- * Funds for Collins Big Cat readers ✓
- * Bulbs and plantings for gardening beds
- * Food technology equipment ✓
- * Additional fans for classrooms ✓
- * 16 Apple iPads
- * 30 electronic spell checkers
- * Comfortable seating for the library
- * Chromebook charging trolley ✓
- * Plant trees to offset carbon footprint ✓

Future considerations

- * Air conditioning for classrooms





Silent auction

Club Excel has kindly donated a £100 voucher for use at their holiday camps! The next camp sessions will take place over October half term, Christmas, February half term and Easter. Club Excel holds camps across Hertfordshire and North London with the nearest located in St Albans at Beaumont School and Harpenden at St Hilda's School. If you would like to bid for this voucher, please email the PTA with your highest bid by close of play **Thursday, 30th September** and the voucher will wing its way to the highest bidder!

BRADFORD & HOWLEY

A huge thank you to **Bradford & Howley** for their continued sponsorship of our fundraising events!

Cashback companies

When you make a purchase with any of these great companies, the school gets a cash donation in return! Check out our [Fundraising page](#) for more details.



Connect and stay in touch!

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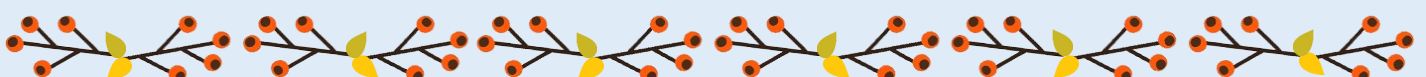
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Book wish list

We are very excited to announce a new initiative! We have decided to spend all of the money we raise through **easyfundraising** on books requested by the school through a book wish list! Also, in the not too distant future, we will open up this list to the entire school community should anyone wish to donate a book to school. And if you haven't already, please take a moment to sign up to **easyfundraising** to easily raise funds for the school while you shop online! You'll have access to all the firm favourites through the easyfundraising portal such as John Lewis, Argos, Sainsbury's, Amazon, Boden, ebay, and so many more. Since our launch, we have **raised over £3500** for the school through this service alone. Refer to our [Fundraising page](#) to learn more.





The PTA Family

Officers

Chair: Lizzi Hodgkinson (Saffron/Amethyst)

Treasurer: Helen Page (Scarlet/Sage)

Communications: Julie Fernandes-Tansley (Scarlet/Gold)

Secretary: Amy Leary (Crimson/Sage)

Class Representatives

Apple: [vacancies]

Lime: [vacancies]

Aqua: Paula Williamson

Sky: Jenni Malcolm

Crimson: Sam Busher, Reena Chibber and Fliss Dundon-Smith

Scarlet: Julie Fernandes-Tansley and Marta Skotnicka

Amber: Amanda Currie and Karen Goodfellow

Vermillion: Lucy Cooper, Annie Hopkins and Kerry Westrope

Gold: Heather Birt and Ana Catarina Martins

Saffron: Carlie Bell, Dorota Hrstic and Julia Milligan

Forest: Sophie Ashcroft and Abbie Hollick

Sage: Nicole Ho, Amy Leary and Ayanna Rezulska

Amethyst: Rebecca Balmforth and Lizzi Hodgkinson

Magenta: Mia Stankovic



We're recruiting!

Following two years of planning fun-filled fundraising events and activities, Lizzi and Julie will be stepping down from the roles of **Chair** and **Communications Officer**. We are hoping to transition to new committee members before the Annual General Meeting in January, so please get in touch if you think you can help. We are also recruiting for two new **Class Representatives** for **Apple** and **Lime** classes, so if you're able to lend a hand, send us a message, attend the upcoming PTA Meeting or just pop along to the **MacMillan Coffee Morning** on **Friday, 24th September** for a chat and cuppa!

