

June 2011

Friday 24th June 2011

First Communion



Congratulations to all the children who celebrated their First Communion last Sunday. Both masses were a privilege to attend. My grateful thanks to all the parents for your support, commitment and hard work in preparing your children for this event. Thank you to the Catechists for leading the children in their preparation. To Father Paul a special word

of thanks for his help and dedication towards the children. Finally the children who made the day so special.

The Communion photographs are now available from Mrs Beech in the Foundation Stage; they will also be available to look at on Sunday morning mass (10 am).



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School Inset 2011 ~ 2012

Next year we have 5 staff training inset days ~ The school has so far set four of them, these are:

Monday 5th September 2011
 Friday 21st October 2011
 Thursday 5th January 2012

And

Friday 6th January 2012
 The fifth day has yet to be set.

Friday 8th July is the final inset day for this current academic year.



SPECIAL POINTS

WHOLE SCHOOL CLOSURE

Friday 8th July 2011

Liturgies in School

Throughout this year, we have had a number of Whole School or Class Liturgies. Our grateful thanks to Fr Paul for his commitment to the staff and pupils of the school. All parents and the parish community are very welcome to the class or whole school liturgies that take place, one added benefit is that there is no collection.



The next liturgies are on:

Wednesday 29th June	Feast of SS Peter and Paul	9:30 in junior hall
Wednesday 6th July	Mr. Blurton's class	9:30 in classroom
Friday 15th July	Leavers' mass	9:30 in junior hall

PTA News

The PTA would like to thank all the parents for their continued support especially over the last few weeks, with making cakes then letting the children buy them back. If you can collect your tins from the staff room it would be appreciated.



The junior cake sale raised £136.06

The infant cake sale raised £159.60

And the sale of pumpkin seeds raised £160.72

The PTA committee are growing in size and strength which is wonderful to see especially with their new ideas. Come to the next committee meeting which is on September 26th.

In the meantime the next PTA event is an end of year Disco outside ~ weather permitting!

St Benedict School Silver Jubilee

Did you go to St Benedict School in the last 25 years? If so Mrs Muldoon at St Benedict school wants to hear from you. Please send a photograph of yourself (now and then if you have one!) with details of your name; what year you were there and what you are doing now. If you have contact with other past students please let them know.



Industrial Action



You may have heard in the local and national media that two teaching unions have balloted their members with regard to taking industrial action, in the form of a day's strike on Thursday 30th June 2011.

No action is being taken by any members of staff and therefore

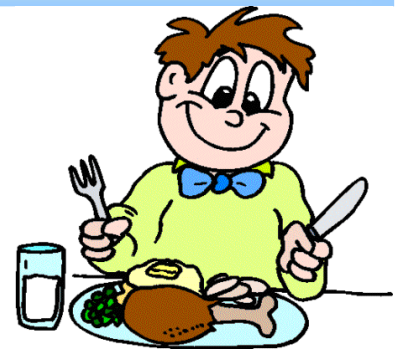
St Alban's School will be OPEN for all children and all staff will be present in school.

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School Dinner Menu

Week Beginning	Menu
Monday 27th June	Week 2
Monday 4th July	Week 3
Monday 11th July	Week 1
Monday 18th July	Week 2

If you have lost or mislaid the menus we have them available in the school foyer. If you want your child to stay on certain days there is no problem just let the class teacher



Secondary School Transfer Days



The Common Transfer date for year 6 to visit their forthcoming secondary school is Tuesday 5th of July for those schools in the City of Derby. Some schools may have two days where the children visit. Children joining St John Houghton will visit there on Thursday 30th June and Friday 1st July.

Children must make their own way there and back from the secondary school.

School Reports

The children's reports will hopefully be sent out on Monday 4th July. We have been promised that the year's 3 to 6 assessments will be returned to school during that week. We will either send the reports and a separate assessment sheet or will be included on the report with the teacher assessments.

Parents' Evening is meant for parents who have concerns following the publication of their children's report. Class Changeover is July 18th.



Residential visits to Llandudno and the Briars



Can I congratulate the years 5 and 6 for their excellent behaviour whilst away on the two residential visits. The school received numerous commendations on the behaviour of the children. Thank you to all the staff who gave up their sleep to go with the children, and a special thank you to the children. It was a pleasure to take them away.

Children's
Corner

If a house with four sides has one side in glass is called a red house; and a house with two sides of glass is called a blue house; a house with three sides of glass is called a yellow house.

What do you call a house with all four sides made of glass called?

Email admin@stalbans.derby.sch.uk

Diary Dates

JUNE 2011

Friday 24th	Whole school class liturgy ~ Mr. Blurton	3:00 Infant Hall
Tuesday 28th	Visit by Lepra to talk to individual classes Year 2 road safety road show for year 2 Year 5 & 6 Brass concert open to parents St Benedict Parents' evening	9:30 Infant Hall
Wednesday 29th	Mass in School for the feast of SS Peter and Paul	9:30 Junior Hall
Thursday 30th	Year 6 children visit St John Houghton	all day

JULY 2011

Friday 1st	Foundation Stage Open Day St Benedict Jubilee mass at the assembly rooms	1:00
Tuesday 5th	Monday 4th Reports sent out to parents Year 6 Common Transfer Day ~ St Benedict; Lees Brook	
Wednesday 6th	Class Mass ~ Mr Blurton's Year 5 and 6 Cricket Catholic Schools Netball and Football	9:30
Thursday 7th	Parents' Evening	4:00
Friday 8th	Inset Day	
Tuesday 12th	Lower Key Stage two years 3 & 4 ~ Twycross Zoo Year 6 First Aid Training Year 6 production	All Day 1:30 Junior Hall
Wednesday 13th	Phonics Workshop Year 5 and 6 Cricket Year 6 Production	Infant Hall 6:00 Junior Hall
Thursday 14th	Key Stage 1 years 1 & 2 Carsington Mrs Bradford's class liturgy	All Day 10:15 am
Friday 15th	Leavers' Mass PTA End of Year Disco	9:30 Junior Hall
Monday 18th	Sports Day ~ weather permitting Class change over	am pm
Tuesday 19th	FS2 visit Snibston	All Day
Wednesday 20th	FS 1 visit to White Post Farm Year 5 and 6 Cricket	All Day
Thursday	Leavers' Liturgy School Closes	10:00 Junior Hall 3:30

SEPTEMBER

Monday 5th	Staff Inset Day	
Tuesday 6th	Children Return to school	8:55 am
Monday 26th	PTA Meeting	7:30

OCTOBER

Thursday 20th	Parents' Evening Children break up for half term	4:00
Friday 21st	Whole School Closure ~ Staff Inset	
Monday 31st	Children Return to school	

Thank you for your prayers and support following the recent death of my father; although one children did turn round and say to me, "I thought you were dead."