

# Newsletter

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<http://www.stmaryscatholicprimaryipswich.com>

School Rules:  
Be ready, Be respectful, Be safe

## Tweet of the Week

"Christian prayer instils an invincible hope in the human heart: whatever experience may touch us on our journey, God's love can turn it into good."

[Pope Francis \(@Pontifex\)](#)



Key Dates w/c: 25<sup>th</sup> October 2021  
31<sup>st</sup> Oct: YR6 Deadline for High School Applications  
Key Dates w/c: 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021  
1<sup>st</sup> Nov: Return to School  
1<sup>st</sup> Nov: Yr5 Swimming 8.30am  
5<sup>th</sup> Nov: Non-Uniform Day £1

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was fantastic to see so many of you at our celebration assembly. The children have worked very hard this half term and should all be very proud of themselves. Thank you for your support and for working with us to keep our school community safe. After half term new measures will be in place so please remember your face mask for the playground.

Have a wonderful half term and take time to relax and recharge

Have a wonderful weekend  
Mrs Berry and Mrs Measham



### DEADLINE: Year 6 High School Transfer – Admissions 2022/2023:

The application portal is now open with Suffolk County Council for parents to apply for current year 6 High School Place for September 2022/2023, the deadline for applications is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021. Please check the High School you wish to apply to, to see if they require you to complete a Supplementary Information Form. Completed SIF's will need to be returned to your chosen school by the closing date 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021.



### Non Uniform Day:

The FoSM will be having a non uniform day on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November in exchange for £1. If you have sports club that day you may wear your own sports clothes.



### Reception 2022/2023:

The application portal is now open with Suffolk County Council for parents to apply for their child's Reception class for children starting school in September 2022/2023.

We require a Supplementary Information Form, completed and returned to the school office at before the deadline date of 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022. Any SIF's received after this date will be dealt with as a late application.

### Open Days for Reception 2022 Parents:

Due to government guidance we have had to postpone our open morning on 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 9.15am and an Open afternoon on 4<sup>th</sup> November at 1.30pm.

NEW DATES: 24<sup>th</sup> November at 9.15am and 26<sup>th</sup> November at 1.30pm

Please book an appointment for one of these dates with the school office.

Each session will be restricted to 15 adults and only 1 adult per family will be permitted.



### Gardeners Wanted:

This is a big shout out for any parents/grandparents who would be willing give up some time on a regular basis each month to upkeep the Willow Garden - weeding, planting, general gardening.

If you would be interested please let the school office know. Many thanks



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### Wrap Around Care:

Wrap around care has begun and we wanted to remind families that it is available to you all, it is flexible each week with no commitment to use all the time.

If you wish to book a space please return a completed booking form to the school office by 2pm every Friday. Payments will need to be made by in advance of care for your child to attend.

## Harvest Festival:

Thank you letter from FIND



Mrs. Berry  
Head Teacher  
St Mary's Catholic Primary School  
Ipswich  
Suffolk

17 October 2021

Dear Mrs. Berry.

Please pass on our thanks to all the children and parents who donated many food items from their Harvest Service to FIND (Families in Need).

At this time there are many more families in need of our help to provide food for their families and we know we could not do this without your help. Some of our shelves at the Food Bank were getting empty so we are especially grateful to the young children and their parents for their contributions.

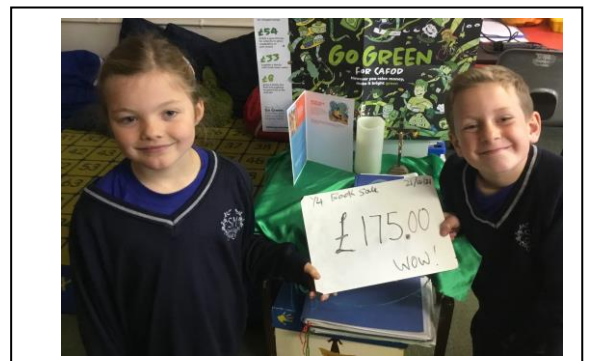
It is good to know that the children are growing up to think of others less fortunate than themselves.

Yours sincerely.

Heather Cade (FIND Trustee)

## Year 4 Booksale:

We would like to say a huge thank you for all of you that came and visited us at the booksale that we held. We had an amazing turn out and have raised £175 for Cafod.



## Reception, Year1 and Year2:

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 went on an 'equality march' around the school to celebrate Black History month. Inspired by civil rights activists and Black History Month, we created placards and march around the school, demanding that everyone 'LOVE EACH OTHER!'.





### Year 3:

Year three enjoyed a trip to Christchurch museum as part of our learning for Black History Month.

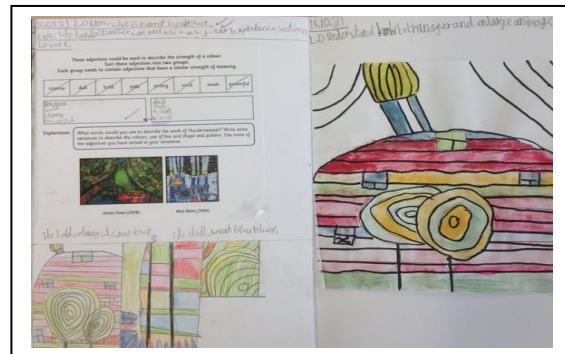
The Power of Stories exhibition celebrates the history of storytelling traditions across time and place. The diverse exhibits fascinated our class and everyone enjoyed Miss Mudd's vibrant story telling.

It was the first trip for a long time and the children behaved impeccably. Well done, year three!



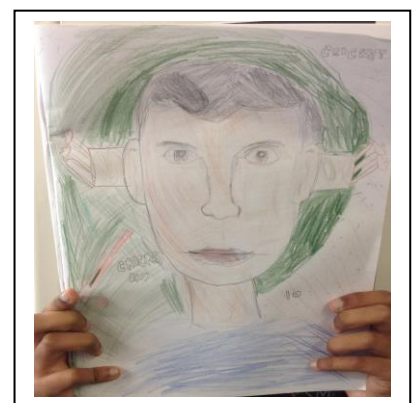
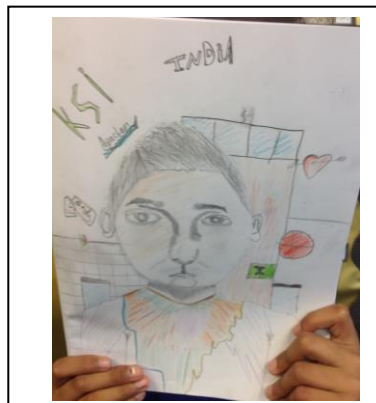
### Year 5:

Year 5 have been learning about abstract art. They used a view finder to help them to focus on a small detail of a painting by Friedensreich Hundertwasser. They then choose their favourite image and enlarged it.



### Year 6:

This week in Year 6 we were focusing on scale. We watched and followed a tutorial on drawing portraits. We learnt about how to line up our features and use cross hatching to add shading. Can you guess who?





Christ Be Our Light



Diocese of East Anglia

St Alban's Catholic Primary School  
Deputy Headteacher Spring 2022

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### Deputy Headteacher

Required for after February half term 2022

Full Time, Permanent

Group 2 School- Salary Range L6 –L10

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St Alban's is a highly successful and oversubscribed Catholic Primary, which is part of the Diocese of East Anglia and in the heart of Cambridge city. We were graded 'Outstanding' in our last Ofsted and our last S48 Ofsted inspection.

The Governors are seeking to appoint a well-qualified, ethos driven and capable senior leader to join the Leadership Team of our joyous and high achieving school. The successful candidate will have a proven track record of success as a middle or senior leader and will commit themselves to further improving the standards of education at St Alban's. This is an excellent opportunity for an ambitious individual who aspires to headship and who wishes to develop in a supportive, dynamic, well-resourced and exciting school.

Applications are sought from practising Catholics who are supportive of our Catholic ethos.

Visits to the school are welcome to discuss the post with the Headteacher, Joseph McCrossan, and can be arranged by contacting Mrs Joanne Koehler, School Administrator.

For an application form and further details including a job description and person specification, please visit our website at [http://www.stalbans.cambs.sch.uk/vacancies/job\\_opportunities.html](http://www.stalbans.cambs.sch.uk/vacancies/job_opportunities.html)

Closing date : noon Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December

Shortlisting : Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December

Interviews : Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December

St Alban's is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. This position is a regulated activity and an enhanced DBS check will be required. We are a school which promotes equal opportunities.

*The pupils' exemplary behaviour and very positive attitudes towards learning are key factors in their outstanding achievement. Ofsted 2014*

For further information please use this link to the school website:

[http://www.stalbans.cambs.sch.uk/vacancies/job\\_opportunities.html](http://www.stalbans.cambs.sch.uk/vacancies/job_opportunities.html)

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**Designated  
Safeguarding Leads**



**Mrs Jo Berry - Domestic Abuse Champion**



**Mrs Jo Measham**

Alternate Designated

Mental Health Champions:

SENCO/Mr Glynn Bentley

Safeguarding Lead &

Georgina Goodwin & Collette Duhamel-Newton

Designated teacher for  
Looked after children

Mr Adam Cook



Safeguarding & Prevent

Chair of Governors/Mr K Reilly

Online Safety Lead/Mr A Cook

Governor/Mr E Bridger



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Term Dates:

Term dates for 2021 - 2022

Autumn Term 2021

Wednesday 01<sup>st</sup> September – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December

Half term: 25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> October

Staff Training day: 01<sup>st</sup> September

Spring Term 2022

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 08<sup>th</sup> April

Half term: 21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> February

Staff Training day: 4<sup>th</sup> January

Summer Term 2022

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April – Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July

Bank holiday: 02<sup>nd</sup> May & 6<sup>th</sup> June

Half term: 30<sup>th</sup> May – 03<sup>rd</sup> June

Staff Training days: 25<sup>th</sup> April, 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> July