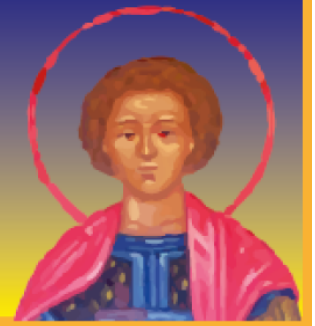




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Friday 19th July 2024

Dear parents, carers and governors,



Thank you for all of your help and support during this last academic year. We have achieved so much together and it has been another wonderful year for our St Alban's family.

Well done to all the children for being their fabulous selves each and every day. Their good manners, joyful spirit and willingness to learn makes it a pleasure to come to school every day. We are very proud of them and I know you are too.

Huge thanks to all of you for supporting our many events – from prayer services and fairs to carving pumpkins and helping the children dress as their future selves. We are also very grateful to The Friends of St Alban's for the amazing fundraising events held throughout the year.

My thanks to the staff for working with such dedication and commitment, taking care of the children and educating them with such love and care. And thank you to our governors who volunteer their time to ensure our school is well run and well led. Finally, thanks to Fr Patterson and the parishioners of St Alban's and St Patrick's parishes for your constant support and ongoing prayers. We really do appreciate all that you do for us.

Leavers: God bless and good luck to our Year 6 children who are moving up into Year 7 at their secondary schools. I would especially like to thank those families who have now completed their primary school journey (some as many as 18 years) as their youngest child is leaving us. Thank you for all your support over the years. It has been an absolute pleasure to see all of your children grow and develop and we wish them all the very best. We also wish Mr Wharrier a very happy start in his new school. He has been a great addition to our staff team and he will be a big miss.



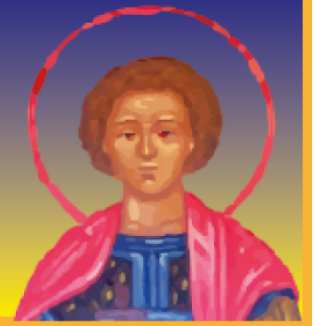
Attendance: We close the year at a healthy 96.4% for our overall attendance figure. Here is the final week's attendance for each class:

YN	YR	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
96.4%	98.7%	99.1%	96.6%	88.5%	96.5%	94.1%	100%





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Advance notice regarding term-time holidays: from September 2024, all holidays of 5 days and more will be referred to the Local Authority. Changes to school attendance penalty notices will come into effect from 19th August 2024. Previous fines were set at £120 (£60 if paid within 21 days) but the new fine will be set at £160 (£80 if paid within 21 days unless it is a repeat offence). There is a limit of 2 penalty notices that can be issued to a parent for the same child within a rolling 3-year period. At the 3rd offence, another tool, such as prosecution, will be considered. Please support our policy for good attendance by sending your child to school every school day.

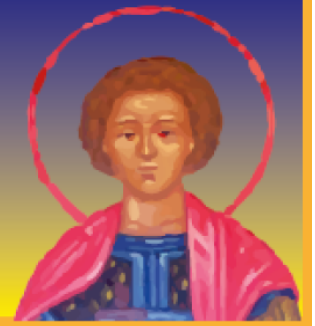
Staffing for 2024-25

Headteacher:	Mrs M Robinson
Deputy Headteacher:	Miss L Colligan
Secretary:	Mrs J Reynolds
School Business Manager:	Mr G Lilley
Site Manager:	Mr P Cullen
Cleaner:	Mrs R Noble
Early Years Unit:	Mrs S Dowling (M-W) and Mrs L Howe (W-F)
EY Teaching Assistants	Mrs Y Sexton and Mrs Johnson (3 days)
EY & KS1 Teaching Assistant:	Mrs Wilson (4 days)
KS1 Teaching Assistant:	Miss R Johnson
Health Care Worker:	Mrs A Maliszewska
Year 1:	Mrs K Clark (M-T) and Mrs H Hall (W-F)
Year 2:	Miss C Curtiss (M-W) and Mrs S Hill (Th-F)
KS2 teaching Assistants:	Mrs E Cartner and Miss C Fedynech
Year 3:	Mrs C Clark (M-W) and Mrs R Kennedy (Th-F)
Year 4:	Mrs A Phillipson
Year 5:	Miss L Colligan
Year 6:	Mrs N Dellow
HLTA:	Miss L Parkin (4 days)
Kitchen Staff:	Mrs D Robson, Mrs S Tamilvannan, Mrs P Todman
Lunchtime supervisor:	Mrs L Kettle
Lunchtime assistants:	Mrs M Goodfellow, Mrs J Butler, Miss T Radcliffe, Mrs L Woods





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School closes for the summer holiday this afternoon at 1pm so please make arrangements for your child to be collected at this earlier time. School re-opens to children on Tuesday 3rd September.

If anyone would like to collect a vintage school radiator between Monday and Thursday next week, please contact Mr Cullen on 07894 634453.

I hope you all have a happy and safe summer holiday and I look forward to seeing you all again in September.

With very kind regards,
M. Robinson
Headteacher

This week's Eco Endeavour:
*Remember to recycle unwanted clothes
and shoes in our school Clothing Bank.*

