



St Alban & St Stephen Catholic Primary School & Nursery Weekly Newsletter



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Thursday 3rd December 2020

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There is a real buzz of energy and excitement across the whole school. Classes have been really busy decorating their doors, the decorations are up and the classes are all learning some fantastic carols ready to share with you. We are so excited to be able to share some of the lovely pictures taken as our school is looking so festive.

The Chaplaincy Team led our special Advent assembly for Year 6 and all the children have done some great work and made their Advent promises. We are all taking this time to prepare ourselves for the arrival of the Christ child on Christmas Day.

Nursery and Reception even had some very special visitors. A live nativity came to school along with the baby Jesus in the manger. They had a wonderful day petting the animals and learning all about them.









Year 5 Learning



In Science, we have been looking at ways in which we can separate materials. We were amazed at the results when we used evaporation to separate the salt from a salt and water solution.



“I have enjoyed the story ‘The Good Bear’ because it is about a girl who is nervous about going to her step father’s house. On the way, she meets a bear who is starving and she tries to find it some food. It is a great book and I cannot wait to read more of it.”



“In Art, I really enjoyed drawing and painting poppies in the style of Georgia O’ Keefe. I really liked it because we had to blend yellow into orange and then orange into red. The pictures look great!”

“I have really enjoyed our maths test this week as it can sometimes be really challenging. I have also enjoyed our World War 1 topic. We have learnt lots of fun facts about how things were like during this time. I love our new topics. They are thrilling and fun!”

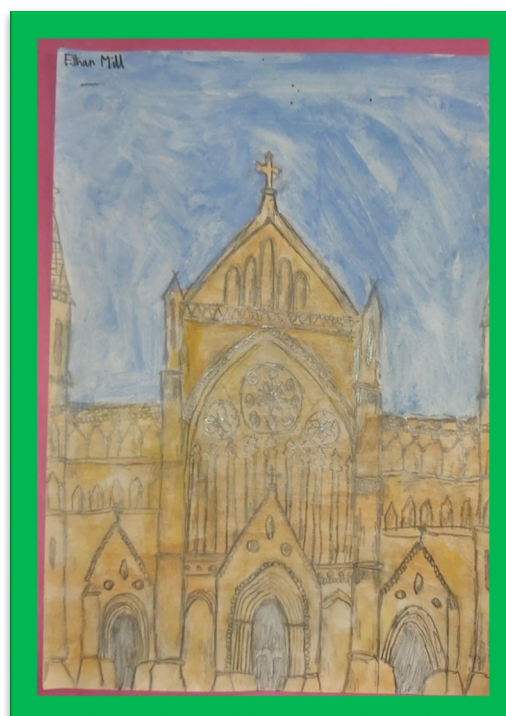


Year 6 Learning

In Science, we have been learning about light. We made periscopes using paper and mirrors to demonstrate how light reflects off mirrors. We had lots of fun looking at each other across the classroom and exploring the properties of light and mirrors.



As part of our history topic, we have been learning about the history of St Albans Cathedral post 1066. It has been very interesting to learn about the rich history of our city. We did some wonderful sketches of the cathedral and used watercolours effectively.



Post Box Toppers

Every year some very talented people in St Albans show off their creativity and dress our post boxes with beautiful knitted creations. If you are looking for something to do with the kids around town, then download the app and see if you can spot them on your adventures. They are raising money for St Albans Foodbank a very worthwhile cause. Please follow the link below for more information.

https://themummysphere.co.uk/st-albans-post-boxes-trail/?fbclid=IwAR0vtJMvYhevJ8wtQnFV34QYeExRs0Qv62OtpuupfmQaPny-Yt_dioowoK0

Santa Dash

Next Week, our Sports Ambassadors will be running two events to promote healthy eating and being active. On Wednesday 9th December we are going Green and would like every child to bring in a healthy GREEN snack to eat during break or lunch this could be a green apple, pears, cucumber, kiwi, or a green pepper. On Friday 11th December, they would like everyone to come in their best Christmas headgear, i.e. Santa hats, reindeer antlers and halos as the whole school will be taking part in a Santa Dash.

Christmas Art Winners!

Congratulations to the children who took part in the parish Nativity Art competition. The over winner was Francesca in Year 6 and her design will be used for the parish Christmas card.

The runners up were
Martha Yr 5 Winner
Millie Runner Up
Mia Yr 6 winner
Esther Yr 6 runner up.

Christmas Hampers

Don't forget to buy your raffle tickets for the amazing Christmas hampers that the PTA have organised. You can purchase raffle tickets on School Comms for £1 each.



Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

God bless.

Mrs Moore, Mrs Porter, and all the staff of SSAS.