

St Alban & St Stephen
Catholic Primary School &
Nursery

Welcome Meeting



Our School Prayer

Dear God,
Bless all the children and staff in our school.
Bless all our loving parents, our school community and parishioners.
Let us follow the shining examples of St Alban and St Stephen.
Help us to be the best that we can be and guide us as we stay connected to you and Jesus in all that we do.
As a school, we are learning and growing with God by our side.
Amen.



Senior Leadership Team



Ms T Hackett
Assistant Headteacher



Mrs C Moore
Headteacher



Mrs C Smith
Assistant Headteacher
& SENDCO

EYFS Team



Mrs. S. Caramelo
Class RC Teacher
and EYFS Phase
Leader



Mrs. J. Last
Class RL Teacher

Other members of the Team are:
Mrs. Ramdani, Mrs. Eley & Ms. Ruff

Other Teachers

We have specialist teachers in -
P.E. & Music



Mrs H Bowen
P.E Specialist



Mrs Z Flatt
Music
Specialist

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Our Core Values

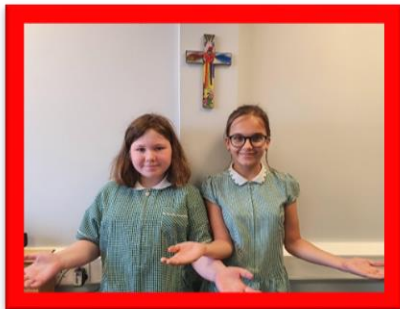


FAITH

FRIENDSHIP



DETERMINATION



RESPECT



UNITY



Our School Values

Faith

Friendship

Determination

Respect

Unity

Our Golden Rules



We are gentle

We are kind and helpful

We listen

We are honest

We work hard

The New Early Years Framework - EYFS 2021

From 1st September 2021,
the Early Years Curriculum
was updated:

- To improve outcomes at age 5, particularly in early language and literacy
 - To minimise paperwork, so that practitioners can spend more time modelling & engaging with your child's learning & interests.

The New Early Years Framework - EYFS 2021

The Early Years Curriculum:

Prime Areas:

- *Communication & Language*
 - *Physical Development*
- *Personal, social & emotional development*

Specific Areas:

- *Literacy*
- *Mathematics*
- *Understanding of the World*
- *Expressive Arts and Design*

Drop off and Pick Up

There is a soft start to the day and when the children arrive they settle into a morning activity of their choice.

The day consists of Adult led learning, focused activities and Child Initiated Learning (CIL). This is the time when your child can explore the whole learning environment, both inside and outside.

Rolling snack

All children are provided with a piece of fruit or vegetable and they can have a carton of milk or water.

Lunches

In Reception, the children are encouraged to have a hot and healthy school dinner. The children will eat their dinner in the Lower Site main hall and make their choices on the day.

Alternatively, your child can bring in their own packed lunch.

If your child has any special dietary requirements, please let us know



Learning Environment



Our School Library

Our school has an amazing Library, which the Teachers can source interesting and engaging topic related books so the children can really enjoy, read and research about fun and exciting subjects.

When the children are settled, we take them regularly to visit the Library and your child can choose and take a Library book home.

We have a super Librarian, Mrs. Keaty, who is always happy to invite authors in to visit the children to really ignite and inspire a love and passion for reading. For example, World Book Day and International Poetry Day.



Religious Education: Come and See



Autumn Term

Family & Belonging
Advent/Christmas

Spring Term

Our Community
Lent & Easter

Summer Term

Pentecost
Reconciliation

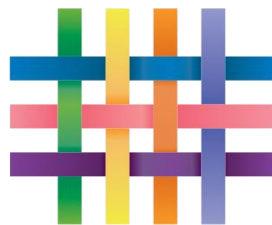
Other Religions studied:

Sikhism, Hinduism,
Islam & Judaism

Tapestry

Tapestry is an online learning journal to help record all the learning and fun that happens in school.

We encourage you to upload your own observations and pictures of your children onto Tapestry, so these can be shared in class. EG. Your child has learnt to swim OR you have visited a place of interest at the weekend.



TAPESTRY
ONLINE LEARNING
JOURNAL

Home Learning

- Each half term, optional home learning will be sent home with a range of activities for the children to complete, relevant to our learning in school.
- Phonics focus sounds will be part of the home learning, to help you support your children's phonics and reading.
- Please upload any work or special moments to Tapestry so we can see their lovely home learning and can share them with the class.



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Little Wandle - Letters & Sounds



Supporting Reading

- In Reception we have daily phonics lessons and Reading Practice sessions. The children are exposed to reading throughout the day with their Teachers; we read story books and explore information books around our various topics.



Supporting Reading & Writing

- We encourage your child to mark-make wherever possible.
- We go on phonics hunts to recognise sounds/letters in the environment.
- We explore a range of different types of literature (poems, nursery rhymes, non-fictions, comics)
- We regularly scribe your children's ideas and thoughts so they can continuously see writing being modelled.



Supporting Maths

- We play maths games with your child (dice games, card games, board games)
- We recognise numbers and shapes in the environment.
- We cook and bake
- We incorporate maths into role-play games, water and sand play, etc.



Parent Helpers

The support of parents is of enormous benefit to the children and we warmly welcome it.

If you are interested in becoming a Parent Helper, please notify the office and further information will follow.

(Please note that: In line with Hertfordshire County Council, all parents regularly working in school will be asked to apply for police clearance.)



Uniform

STEVENSONS

EST. 1925



Please, please,
please label
EVERYTHING!!!

Thank you!



#READYFORSCHOOL



PREPARING YOUR CHILD FOR STARTING SCHOOL



Getting your child 'school ready'

- Practice getting dressed, including shoes & coat
- Recognising their name
- Rehearse the Morning Routine
- Play games involving turn taking
- Role play meeting & greeting children & adults.
- Share positive stories about starting school

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