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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a wonderful week at St Albans. We have welcomed Year 6 parents into classrooms, invited parishioners to join us for a parish Mass, and shared a thoughtful Remembrance Day service led by Mrs Gosling. Year 4 enjoyed an Into University session focused on raising aspirations, with further sessions to follow. It has also been lovely to see our school community take part in Children in Need — thank you for your generous donations.

Remembrance Day

All children brought home a slip this week to write the names of people they would like our school community to pray for. These have now been added to our School Remembrance Book, which will be displayed throughout November.

Anti-Bullying Week

We have marked Anti-Bullying Week with a range of activities across the school. The children embraced Odd Socks Day with great enthusiasm, even though I forgot to wear my own! I enjoyed spending time with Reception class discussing their colourful and creative odd sock designs.

Christmas Fayre Volunteers

Thank you to the parents who met with Mrs Marley and Mrs Hill to plan support for the Christmas Fayre. If anyone else is interested in helping, please contact Mrs Marley in the school office — we would love your support. Flyers will be sent out in the coming weeks.

Attendance Policy Update

Please find the updated Attendance Policy available on the school website. All unauthorised absences that fall within the attendance policy will now be referred to the Local Authority. As a result, parents may be issued with a warning letter or a penalty notice. This will be implemented from the Summer Term 2026. For further information, please see the link provided.

<https://newcastle.gov.uk/services/schools-learning-and-childcare/parent-information/school-attendance-and-absence>

Behaviour Policy Update

The updated Behaviour Policy is now available on the school website.

Uniform Policy Reminder

Please see the school website to review our Uniform Policy. A reminder that all children require a PE kit in school, consisting of a white t-shirt, black shorts, and black plimsolls. If a child does not bring their kit, a reminder slip will be sent home.

OPAL Play

OPAL Play continues to brighten our school yard each lunchtime. Please ensure your child comes to school wearing suitable outdoor clothing, as we play outside in all weathers.

Drama Club for Years 5 & 6

We are excited to launch a Drama Club for Year 5 and 6 pupils on Mondays after school. The group will be working with the Royal Shakespeare Community and will take part in a performance of *The Tempest* at the Northern Stage.

Upcoming Dates

- Reception English Café – Thursday 20th November
- Nursery English Café – Thursday 27th November
- Non-Uniform Day – Donations for the Christmas Fayre – Friday 28th November
- Christmas Fayre – Thursday 11th December
- Christmas Play Performance Dates (times to be confirmed)

	Monday 8th Dec	Tuesday 9th Dec	Wednesday 10th Dec	Thursday 11th Dec
AM	Year 5 and 6	EYFS	Year 3 and 4	Year 1 and 2
PM	EYFS	Year 3 and 4	Year 1 and 2	Year 5 and 6

Thank you

Mrs Yeoman