



St Alban's Catholic Primary School, Walker



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Week three of the autumn term has been great. Pupils from St Alban's took part in a football league, and with the snow arriving in the Northeast, the children enjoyed a very exciting, snow-filled lunchtime! We are now busy preparing for the Christmas performances.

We also had a wonderful day celebrating Children in Need. Thank you all for your donations — these will be used in the Christmas Fayre.

Reception class invited parents in to take part in an English lesson and to see the new classroom provision. The feedback has been fantastic. On 27 November, Nursery will be holding their English Café.

We are delighted to announce that we will be running an after-school drama group for children in Years 5 and 6, in partnership with the Royal Shakespeare Company. The group will be preparing for a performance at the Northern Stage in the summer term.

We continue to hold bi-weekly parish Masses in school at 10am. Each week, a different class attends to support the parish community while the church heating is being repaired.

We are also continuing the process of reviewing the school badge, mission, and prayer. If any parents or carers would like to be involved, please let me know.

Attendance Policy Update

The updated Attendance Policy is now available on the school website. All unauthorised absences that fall within the policy will 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 Summer Term 2026.

For further information, please see the link:

[School attendance and absence | Newcastle City Council](#)

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.

Arbor Lunch Reminder

Please can we remind you that your child's lunch choices must be completed at least 24 hours before each Monday. Currently, the school office is having to call parents to ask for meal choices, which is taking a significant amount of time. Completing selections in advance helps us ensure lunches are ordered correctly and on time. We have now set up scheduled messages on Arbor as an additional reminder. If you need any help, we are more than happy to talk you through the process. We also have a step-by-step guide, which will be added to the website.

Saturday Takeover Mass – Christ the King

This Saturday night we are having a *takeover Mass* at St Anthony of Padua. The children have been busy creating artwork to celebrate Christ the King, which will be presented at Mass and then taken back to school to be displayed as a sign of the work they have done.

We are inviting all families and children to join us at Mass on Saturday evening. The Mass begins at 5.30pm.

Upcoming Dates

- Nursery English Café – Thursday 27 November
- Non-Uniform Day – Donations for the Christmas Fayre – Friday 28th November
- Christmas Fayre – Thursday 11th December – Children can wear Christmas jumpers to school to celebrate National Christmas jumper day

	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 for your support.

Mrs Yeoman