



Friday 11th October 2024

Parent Consultation Meetings

Thank you to all the parents who attended the meetings this week. If you missed your appointment for any reason, please contact the school office and they will be able to rearrange it for you: 02920 462915

Continued School Improvement

Continuing our phonic improvement from last year, St Cecilia Class absolutely LOVE their daily Monster Phonic sessions.

This week they added actions to the song for the 'i-e' split digraph. This helped the children to write as many 'i-e' words as possible on their mini whiteboards. We LOVE Monster Phonics at St Alban's!



Celebrating the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary



On Tuesday we gathered as a whole school to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary which is on October 7th. The Pope asked us to pray the Rosary on that day, asking for peace in the Middle East and remember those caught in the conflict. We asked the children to remember the Pope's request throughout October, and have provided every child with Rosary beads so that they can pray with their families at home.



For further information about what's happening in our school, please see our:

Twitter feed: [@StAlbansSchool1](https://twitter.com/StAlbansSchool1)

Facebook Page: St Alban's Catholic Primary School

(You just need to like the page to be able to follow)Instagram:stalbansprimaryschool

Calling all Year 6 pupils! Following the recruitment session for the new job vacancy of 'Foundation Phase Lunchtime Buddy', deadline for applications is Friday at 12pm. Good luck for those selected for work experience next week!

Job Vacancy

Lunchtime Foundation Phase Buddy

Job Description

Do you enjoy helping others? Are your lunchtimes feeling a little quiet? Would you like a change of scenery? Then we have the just the job for you!

Mrs Woodward is looking for Year 6 pupils to train to become 'Buddies'. You will work as part of the lunchtime team with various responsibilities which were shared at the recruitment session. You will have 1 week of work experience during parts of lunchtime then an interview on Monday 21st October.

Skills

You will need to be;

- * Reliable
- * Punctual
- * Trustworthy
- * Friendly
- * Hard working
- * Kind
- * Helpful
- * Good at teamwork

And most importantly like working with younger children.

Hours of Work

Your working hours will be between 11.50 am and 12.20 pm.

You will have days off and will be given your rota in advance.

Wages

We value the hard work of all our Buddies so as result we offer a desirable payment scheme. Buddies will enjoy hot chocolate and biscuits in the staffroom every Friday afternoon. As a further incentive and in recognition of sacrificing parts of their own playtime, there will be termly nominations for 'Buddy of the Term' with fun prizes to be won.

Please complete an Application Form by Friday 11th October by 12pm. You will be notified about the outcome of your application and details about a possible interview by Friday 18th October via your ~~Hub~~ Email Address.

What has been happening in St Alban's this week?

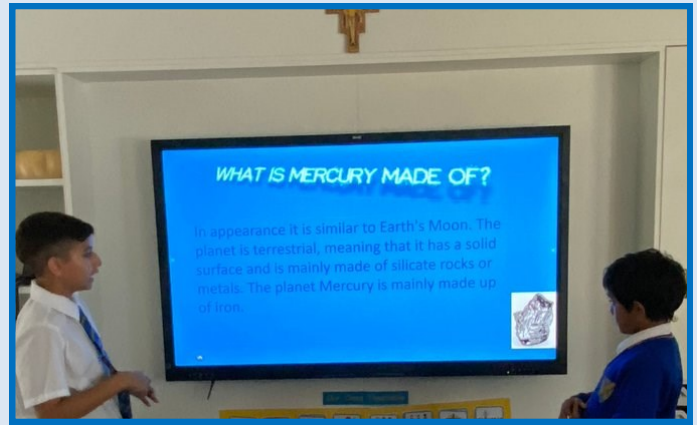


Thank you to [#Roath](#) Fire Station for visiting Year 2 yesterday to teach the importance of fire safety.



St Cecilia Class have enjoyed exploring number bonds this week, using ten frames and counters first before writing their calculations.

This week, some of our Year 6 pupils shared their learning about the solar system with their classmates. A great opportunity for our older learners to lead the learning.



Year 3 dedicated this weeks' Gweddiwn to Mary, our Mother. The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary, and as Monday was the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, we prayed the Hail Mary to celebrate and pray for peace.



Pupil Voice

Mini Disciples have arranged to visit Fr Peter at the hospital on Wed 23rd October. After they have celebrated Mass together, the Mini Disciples plan to interview Fr Peter to find out about how he serves the community.

They have also arranged to meet and interview a number of other people such as Staff members from Boomerang, Mr John Houlston from the Splott Volunteers, and Dawn Davies from Ajuda supporting the community.

Once they have gathered the information, they are hoping to create a newspaper informing our community of the acts of kindness and service that people we know provide.

Dates For Your Diary

Friday 25th October: End of half term

HALF TERM HOLIDAY—Monday 28th October—Friday 1st November

Monday 4th November: Inset Day—school closed for pupils

Tuesday 5th November: Pupils return to school

Friday 8th November: Start of Anti-bullying Week—theme of **SHOW RESPECT**

Wednesday 20th November: World Children's Day

Sunday 24th November: The Feast of Christ the King

Sunday 1st December: School Mass at St Alban's Church 10am Mass—First Sunday of Advent

Monday 2nd December: **Purple Day in school to launch the beginning of Advent**

Wednesday 4th December: Advent Penitential in School

Sunday 8th December: Second Sunday of Advent

Monday 9th December: The Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Friday 12th December: Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 20th December: Last day of term

Monday 6th January 2024: Inset Day—school closed for pupils

Tuesday 7th January: Pupils return to school

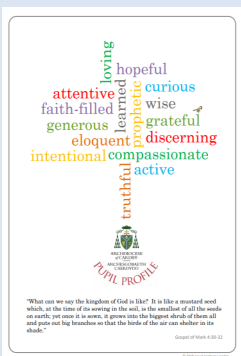
St Alban's Pupil Profile

The virtues we are sharing with each other this half term are:

Curious and **Active**

In our school we are growing to be **curious** about everything; and **active** in their engagement with the world, changing what we can for the better. We have an assembly to share what the virtues mean to our children and staff and talk about:

- People we know or have heard of who demonstrate the virtues in their lives
- We talk about how we can all be curious and active over the coming weeks.



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Reception Fun!



Reception enjoyed exploring the autumn leaves and 'helicopter' seeds falling from our trees!



Fun learning with friends outside.





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parent line

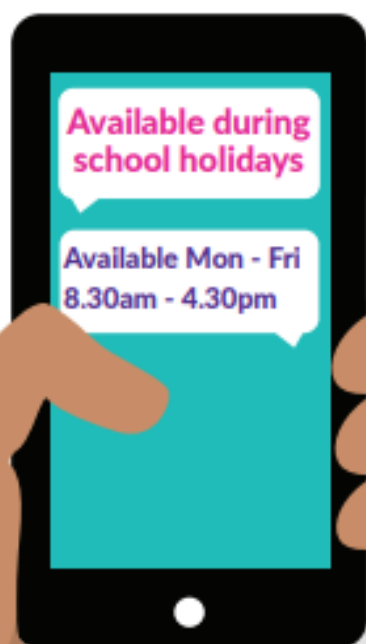
If you're a parent or carer of a 5-16 Year Old

Text your school nurse on

07312 263178

For confidential advice and support

This will be a text in service for parent to access their school nurse to help with a wide range of health problems. This won't be a diagnostic service but we can give advice on....



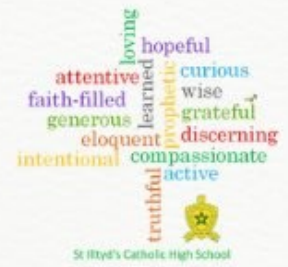
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St Illtyd's Catholic High School

OPEN EVENING

THURSDAY 17TH OCTOBER 2024

5.00 - 7.00 PM

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info@stilltyds.org.uk

**Newport Road
Rumney
Cardiff
CF3 1XQ**

Dear Parent/Carer,

Willows Open House Tours – Autumn 2024

You will have received a letter this week, from School Admissions. It said:

*Applications open on **Monday 23rd September 2024**. The closing date for applications is **Monday 18th November 2024** and applications received after this date will be considered after all the on time applications have been assessed. Many schools fill up in this first round of allocations so it greatly increases your chance of being allocated one of your preferences if you apply on time. We strongly recommend that you apply for 5 different schools (or 3 if solely applying for Welsh medium education) and that you include the school that you live nearest to.*

We would like to remind you that we offer **Open House Tours at Willows High School**. We do not offer an Open Evening as we believe you will get a better sense of what our school is like from being in the building during the school day.

From the **30th September – 11th October and 11th November - 15th November** parents and pupils will be able to book a **tour of the school**. Please email teamwillows@willows.cardiff.sch.uk or call 02920 414243 to arrange a suitable time. You will be escorted on a tour of the school, see lessons in action and have a chance to ask any further questions you may have.

The school admissions process is conducted online. Should you need help with accessing the internet or translating the information needed, please contact the school as above. We have Arabic, Czech, Somali, French and Italian speaking staff to help with completing the online forms.

We have further transition events planned for the forthcoming months and we will provide the primary school with dates and times in advance. The **Whole School Transition Day and Parents' Evening will be on Thursday 19th June 2025 – please save the date**.

We look forward to starting your child's journey with us at Willows this year.

Kind regards,

Suzie Warren

Assistant Headteacher - Transition



The poster features the Willows High School logo at the top left, which includes a stylized bird icon and the text 'WILLOWS HIGH SCHOOL'. Below the logo is the motto 'BELONG, believe, ACHIEVE' and the Welsh phrase 'PERTHYN, CREDU, LLWYDDO'. The main title 'Open House Tours' is prominently displayed in large blue letters, with the subtitle 'For Year 6 Parents and Pupils' underneath. The poster includes four circular inset images: one showing a blue wall with the text 'BE READY TO LEARN' and 'PARATOWCH I DDYSGU'; another showing a group of people on a stage with 'R E N' letters; a third showing two students working at a desk; and a fourth showing a group of students holding a large check for £1000 from 'The First Give'. The tour dates '30th September - 11th October' and '11th November - 15th November' are listed in white text. At the bottom, contact information is provided in white text on a dark blue background, including Twitter (@willowshigh), website (www.willowshigh.co.uk), email (contact@willows.cardiff.sch.uk), and phone (02920 414243). Booking details and a brief description of the tour are also included.

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See how the school runs during a normal day.
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Time and days

3pm - 4pm
Fridays



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