



Note from Mrs Pinder

Welcome Back! I hope you all had a good summer break and ready for this new academic year. I would like to invite you all to an Information Session and Meet the Teacher on Wednesday 18th September from 6:00pm to 7:00pm, where you will hear about the school's vision and priorities for this year and then have an opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher to talk about the procedures and curriculum. There will be two teacher sessions – 6:20 – 6:35 and 6:40 – 6:55 pm. I do hope to see you all there. 'The Herts for Learning Multi Academy Trust' has changed its name to 'The Agora Learning Partnership.'

Diary Dates	
18 th Sept	Information session and Meet the Teacher: 6:00 – 7:00pm
18 th Sept	Individual School Photos
23 rd Sept	Harvest Assembly – Pastor Erica
27 th Sept	MacMillian Coffee Morning – 9am in Creative Arts Room
2 nd Oct	Parent Forum – 6pm in Hall
3 rd Oct	Robin Price Author workshop for KS2
7 th - 11 th Oct	Important People Week
21 st Oct	Light Assembly – Pastor Erica Parent Consultations: 3:30 – 6:30pm
23 rd Oct	Parent Consultations: 4:30 – 7.30pm
28 th Oct-1 st Nov	Half Term Break

Uniform

Thank you for working so hard to get all of the children into the new uniform for the start of term, the children all look incredibly smart.

Macmillan Coffee Morning/ Friends of Alban Wood Meeting.

Join the School Council on **Friday 27th Sept from 9:00am** - in the **Creative Arts Room**. Helpers and donations of cakes and biscuits welcome. We will also use this opportunity to discuss how the new Friends of Alban Wood will move forward. We need parents with exciting new ideas for ways of raising funds for resources. The school cannot do this with your help. We look forward to seeing you.

Harvest Festival

On Monday 23rd September at 9.00 am the **Rev. Erica Tuxworth** will be leading our Harvest Festival Assembly. We will be collecting any tins and packets of food (please check the use by dates) for **Watford Food Bank**.

New Staff

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Miss Hardcastle (Yr 1), Mrs Harrop (Yr2 & EYFS and KS 1 Phase Leader), Miss Beattie (Yr5 & KS2 Phase Leader), Mrs Neighbour (Yr1) and Mrs Connor (EYFS) to Alban Wood Primary and Nursery School.

Nut Free School

Alban Wood is a nut free school so we request that parents do not send children with nut-based items in their packed lunches or snacks at playtime. This is to ensure the health and safety of pupils with allergies. In addition to this, we request that parents are mindful of this if sending in birthday sweets, cakes, snacks. We will always ask children to eat their treat when they are with their parent rather than before. We thank you for your understanding and support with this important matter.



Hertfordshire Moving On 2020 (or 2021)

Local secondary schools will be holding their annual open evenings / events throughout September and October. I recommend that if your child is in Year 5 or 6 you consider looking around all the secondary schools in the area. More information about secondary transfer can be found at [Hertfordshire Admissions](#).

The deadline for applying for a secondary school place, if your child is in Year 6 is Thursday 31st October 2019.

Congratulations!

Mrs Jolliffe got married during the summer and is now Mrs Mc Donough.