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Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, I wish to say well done to our **Y6 children** who have worked so hard in their SATs tests this week. I have been very impressed by their positive approach and determination over the week. They can all breathe a big sigh of relief now!

Parent Survey

It has been a while since we did a full parent survey other than the Lockdown specific ones that we did over the pandemic. We would really like to hear your views about our school and these will help us with our school development planning for 2022/23 which we will be looking at over the rest of this term. Please find the time to complete our survey which can be found here: [Parent survey](#)
Please complete by Friday 27th May. Thank you.

Year 5 Football Champions!



Last Saturday morning, we had the second of our District 6 a-side tournaments and this time it was the turn of our Year 5's. After 6 matches and scoring 20 goals, whilst only conceding 1, they finished as overall champions! I will give further details in our end of half term newsletter which comes out in a couple of weeks, but in the meantime, I just had to mention this. Well done to everyone involved, including Martin (Swallow class) who although was unfortunately ill and couldn't make it, did help the team to qualify in the first place. Thank you also to Mr Berman for managing this young side so well throughout the competition.

Herts Schools' Swimming Championships

If any of your children in Years' 5 and 6 are keen swimmers and would like to take part in a swimming competition then please have a look at the details of a forthcoming event at the end of this letter. This isn't a school event that is run by our teachers/coaches but there is information on how your children can be entered, should they wish to, below.

Have a good weekend everyone.

Mr Farrugia



2022 St Albans District Primary Schools Swimming Championships – Friday 20th May, 2022

The 2022 St Albans District Primary Schools 'Champs' are used as a basis for selecting the St Albans District team to compete in the Herts Primary Schools Inter-District Swimming Championships. This year they will be held on **Friday, 24th June, 2022**.

Any student from years 5 and 6 (for the 2021/2022 school year) attending a school within the St Albans District can enter this gala, which includes 50m events for each of the 4 strokes. Swimmers should be competent to complete any event entered.

The gala will be held at the St Albans (Boys) School, warm-up at 6.30pm with start 7.00pm. A Swim England licence has been given, which means that those swimmers who swim for a club will be able to use times in this gala for the national Swim England database.

There is no requirement for school staff to attend the gala.

St Albans District schools are automatically affiliated to ESSA (English Schools Swimming Association) and swimmers are covered for insurance purposes where the gala is a scheduled ESSA event (this Gala is a scheduled ESSA event).

Deadline for entries is **Tuesday 17th May, 2022**

Entry is to be made online at the StASSA website: www.stassa.org.uk

If you would like a one-page information sheet to print off which includes all details of the gala including the website link to enter please [click here](#).

The entry fee is £5 per swimmer (not per event) and can be paid online as part of the online entry on the StASSA website using debit/credit card (via Paypal) or by BACS (Bank Transfer).

Entry to this gala is by the individual not by the school.

As a note, St Albans District, in the Herts Primary Schools Champs, came 1st in 2019, which was the 6th win in 9 years. This gala and the Herts champs were not held in 2020 and 2021 due to Covid.