

St Albans School Maths-a-thon

Monday 14th August 2017

Dear Parents/Caregivers

This year we are celebrating maths week with an emphasis on engagement and motivation. Each team has planned an exciting programme for the week which focuses on knowledge building.



As part of maths week and fundraising towards school mathematics resources, games, equipment and learning we are running a school-wide 'maths-a-thon'.

This will be a great event. We have given each child a sheet of knowledge facts to learn. Children are expected to practise these every night and aim to get them all correct in ten minutes. On Monday 28th August, all children will be tested on the facts they have learned. The test will be similar to their practise sheet and will have a ten minute limit to ensure that the children have learned the facts to a mastery level.

Also coming home with the children today is a sponsor sheet, which we would like all students to fill in, getting as many sponsors as they can. Please ask parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, extended family, neighbours and friends to sponsor an amount for each fact learned. It could be as little as 1 cent a fact, or as much as a \$1 or more a fact. Some people may find it more appropriate to offer a donation instead of a sponsorship, and this is fantastic too. Please don't send any money to school until after Monday 28 August.

You can return your completed forms to a drop box in the office. Please make sure the money and form are in a sealed envelope with your child's name and home base written on it. This is so we can determine prizes for our top sponsored home base and the top performing home base.

Please return completed forms and money by Friday 8th September. Only the forms that are in on time will be in the running for prizes.

This is a 'win-win' situation – the students are learning and the school is able to fundraise.

Thank you for your support with this 'maths-a-thon'.

If you have any queries please contact your child's home base teacher.