St Alban's CE Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs Amy Gurner BA (Hons), NPQH

Morthen Road, Rotherham, S66 1EU. Tel: 01709 542878

Email: stalbans@sap.dsat.education

Website: wsap.academy

"Educating for life in all its fullness."

THE
DIOCESE OF
SHEFFIELD
ACADEMIES
TRUST

Dear Children,

A few months ago, school banned football and Pokémon cards. As you may remember, this decision was made because some children experienced unhappiness due to lost cards and trades. Resolving these issues took away valuable learning time, and we believed it was in everyone's best interest to stop card trading at school.

However, I am pleased to inform you that we have reached a point where we can reintroduce card playing during playtime. We trust that you have grown and learned from those experiences, and we have confidence in your ability to handle this responsibly. In order for this to happen smoothly, there are a few guidelines we kindly ask you to follow:

1. Cards are to be played with during playtimes only and should not be brought into the classroom. During class, please keep your cards safely stored in your school bags.

2. If you wish to trade a card, you must have a witness present. A witness is someone who will observe the trade taking place. This ensures fairness and transparency, and it is important to respect everyone's wishes when it comes to swapping cards. Remember, not all children may be interested in trading, and that's absolutely fine.

We are so proud of your excellent behaviour, both inside and outside the classroom. It is your responsible actions that have led us to consider allowing cards at playtime again. However, please remember that if the presence of cards begins to impact our learning time or cause any disruptions, we will need to reconsider this decision. Our primary focus is always on providing you with the best possible education.

Let's continue to make our school a place where everyone feels happy, included, and eager to learn.

Warm regards,

Mrs. Gurner
Head Teacher