

## St Augustine's Catholic Voluntary Academy

*We grow and learn as a family in the footsteps of Jesus*

# Newsletter

15<sup>th</sup> November 2019

### Remember Together

On the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month at 11 o'clock, the whole school joined together in the hall to commemorate Armistice Day. Sonny and Olivia read a powerful poem called, 'In Flanders Field' by John Macrae and a prayer to remember the sacrifice made by so many across the world so that we may all live in a peaceful place. All the children had painted a poppy on a stone and class by class, they presented the stones at the cross at the front of the hall. The stones will be arranged outside in the school grounds as a lasting memorial.

The children were so respectful during the liturgy, we are very proud of them. We finished by singing 'Peace perfect peace.'



## Year 6 Construction Skills at Stamford College

On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> Year 6 went to Stamford College to take part in their construction event.

When we first arrived we were warmly welcomed and all the different schools gathered in the hall for an introduction. Then we were paired with 17 year old Oli who took us round for the day. He made us feel very welcome and was very helpful taking us from activity to activity. First we did joinery with the college students. Here we used saws and vices to carve Christmas decorations. Also, we got to colour them in with brightly coloured pens. Next we got the opportunity to wire a switch. Within this we got to cut and twist the wires then use screwdrivers to hold them in place. When the bell rang we all enjoyed a quick lunch break. Next in plumbing, we had to use pipes to get a golf ball to travel down pipes and hit a target. We all also got to pick our own team names. Everybody enjoyed this. To finish the day off we had a talk on site safety. Everyone got to make colourful posters on how to stay safe on a construction site. It was an amazing day!

By Mia and Eleanor



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## Flu Vaccinations



The NHS Team will be coming into school on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November to give the nasal flu vaccine to those children whose parents have consented to them having it via the NHS website

<https://www.lincolnshireimmunisations.co.uk/>.

If you wish your child to have the vaccine please follow the instructions in the letter sent to you via ParentPay and enter the code allocated to our school.

Please contact Mrs Rudkin on 01780 762094 if you require any assistance.

## New Member of Staff

Mrs Lavers will be joining the Staff at St Augustine's on Thursday. She will be our new administrative assistant and she will be working in School on Mondays and Thursdays to support Mrs Rudkin in the School Office. Mrs Lavers has worked at St Augustine's before as a self-employed School Finance Officer and we are delighted to welcome her back to the school in a permanent role.

## Diary Dates

**Celebration Assembly:** Every Friday at 2.45pm (unless otherwise notified) there will be a Celebration Assembly in the School Hall (enter via main reception) which all families are welcome to attend.

20 <sup>th</sup> November	Flu Vaccinations ( <b>Reception to Year 6</b> ) – <b>consent required.</b>
26 <sup>th</sup> November	Open morning for new and prospective parents 9.30am - 12pm
29 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 5/6 start swimming lessons on Fridays until 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb.
9 <sup>th</sup> December	"Awe and Wonder" Nativity Play dress rehearsal (EYFS and KSI) 2pm
9 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 5/6 Eagles Class – Ancient Greek Day
10 <sup>th</sup> December	"Awe and Wonder" Nativity Play performances to Parents and Governors (EYFS and KSI) 2pm and 6pm
13 <sup>th</sup> December	FOSA Christmas Fayre
19 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole School Christmas Lunch
20 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of term
23 <sup>rd</sup> Dec to 3 <sup>rd</sup> January	School Holiday
6 <sup>th</sup> January	Training Day for Staff
7 <sup>th</sup> January	First day back at School
15 <sup>th</sup> January	National online closing date for primary school applications.
28 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 2/3 start swimming lessons on Fridays until 15 <sup>th</sup> May.
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Year 1/2 start swimming lessons on Fridays until 17 <sup>th</sup> July.
10-12 June	Year 6 Crich Residential Visit
16-18 September	Current Year 5 Crich Residential Visit