

St Augustine's Catholic Voluntary Academy
We grow and learn as a family in the footsteps of Jesus

Newsletter

22nd November 2019

Dear Parents,

Bibles for Lambs Class

Last week, we were paid a flying visit by Charles from the Youth Team for the diocese. Our Chaplaincy team were on standby to greet him and take receipt of a special gift for all of our youngest pupils. Starting in Advent 2019, the Church in England and Wales is celebrating The Year of the Word: A God who speaks. Marking the 10th anniversary of *Verbum Domini* by Pope Benedict and the 1600th anniversary of St Jerome, it is an amazing opportunity to rediscover and reignite the use



of scripture in our lives. And so, the diocese has provided an illustrated bible for every pupil in EYFS across the whole diocese (which is 89 schools!). Today in Celebration Worship, Lambs class were presented with their bibles from Josh and Charlie from the Chaplaincy Team to take home and enjoy with their families.

Children in Need

This year, we had a non-uniform day and collected a fabulous **£141.17** for this wonderful cause.



We're supporting

BBC

**Children
in Need**

Thank you everyone!

Lambs Mrs Cartwright	Camels Mr Martin	Lions Miss Smith	Doves Mr Squires	Eagles Mr Atter
				
96.1%	96.4%	96.7%	94.9%	95.2%

Attendance

This week, the best attendance was Lions Class. Well done again to Miss Smith's class. Days off from school can lead to lost learning. Gaps in your child's education can mean that they may not achieve their full potential. Good schools have good attendance. If you would like any support or advice about your child's attendance, please contact the school office and we will be happy to help.



P.E. Kit

The teachers have noticed some pupils are regularly not bringing the correct kit to school for their P.E. lessons. Having the correct PE kit is very important both for reasons of safety and hygiene.

Each child will need a kit, which consists of:

- Navy blue PE shorts
- Blue PE t-shirt with school logo
- Black plimsolls and spare school socks for PE or trainers
- St Augustine's PE bag

- All KIT should be left at school and taken home at half term to be washed unless it is PARTICULARLY dirty.

NOTE: All items of KIT need to be clearly labelled with the child's name.



Online Safety Tips for Parents

Do look out for an email from school that gives advice from www.internetmatters.org on ways to help children to stay safe online.



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St Augustine's

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events and fundraising!**

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into the search bar and look for our
logo.*

Eagles Class Swimming lessons starting on Friday



If you have a child in Eagles Class, please remember to access your ParentPay account to give consent for swimming lessons which start on Friday 29th November. Lessons for Doves Class have now finished.

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.

26 th November	Open morning for new and prospective parents 9.30am - 12pm
29 th November	Year 5/6 start swimming lessons on Fridays until 14 th Feb.
9 th December	"Awe and Wonder" Nativity Play dress rehearsal (EYFS and KSI) 2pm
10 th December	Year 5/6 Eagles Class – Ancient Greek Day CHANGE OF DATE
10 th December	"Awe and Wonder" Nativity Play performances to Parents and Governors (EYFS and KSI) 2pm and 6pm

13 th December	FOSA Christmas Fayre
19 th December	Whole School Christmas Lunch
20 th December	Last day of term
23 rd Dec to 3 rd January	School Holiday
6 th January	Training Day for Staff
7 th January	First day back at School
15 th January	National online closing date for primary school applications.
28 th February	Year 2/3 start swimming lessons on Fridays until 15 th May.
22 nd May	Year 1/2 start swimming lessons on Fridays until 17 th July.
10-12 June	Year 6 Crich Residential Visit
16-18 September	Current Year 5 Crich Residential Visit

Have a wonderful weekend!

Mrs R de Wet