

St Augustine's Catholic Voluntary Academy

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

Newsletter

27th September 2019

Wednesday Word

The Wednesday Word is a leaflet which carries the Sunday Gospel into school family homes. The children receive the leaflet in school each week for them to take home with them to read with the rest of the family.








The Wednesday Word in the home is also designed to act as a gentle, regular invitation to the Eucharist throughout the time families are connected to the life of the school. This is a most excellent way to support school families and a wonderful new way to enhance the Home, School and Parish partnership. If you would like to celebrate mass at our local church of St Mary's and St Augustine's on Broad Street, the times are 9am and 11am every Sunday.

Attendance

At St Augustine's, we know that good attendance is the key to being successful at school. Attending school every day will help give your child the best possible start in life. Research shows that pupils who attend school regularly are more likely to do well in the future.

We want to highlight and reward good attendance at school for each class so here below is the percentage of children in school for each class this week. Let's aim for 100% every week.



Lambs Mrs Cartwright	Camels Mr Martin	Lions Miss Smith	Doves Mr Squires	Eagles Mr Atter
				
96.2%	95.7%	95.9%	95.1%	96.4%

Well done Eagles Class!

Visit from a Member of Parliament

This week in school, Malcolm Smith, Member of Parliament, led a KS2 Assembly. He taught us about the House of Commons and the House of Lords. He told us about how they pass ideas to each other and the Queen makes the final decision. He also gave us voting pads and then our votes came up on the screen. We got dressed up to enact a debate with Eleanor as the speaker.



Netball Matches

On 19th September, St Augustine's played a netball match against St. Gilberts. It was an amazing game and all of our players showed excellent resilience. Despite our hardest efforts, we lost 16-0. In the second half we had to bring on a sub as Josh injured himself. Our man of the match was Charlie as he stayed positive and blocked loads of goals. (Report by Eleanor)

On Thursday 26th, St Augustine's played a netball match against St. George's. Despite a 4-2 loss, we had a great defence, really tried our best and stayed with our players. This week, player of the week goes to Abigail for trying her best and never giving up. We look forward to the next match.



Years 5 and 6 go to Wild's Lodge

On Thursday our year 5 and 6 children visited Wild's Lodge to join in with their annual music and arts festival. The children enjoyed many fun-filled activities including glitter face painting, sunglasses design, total wipeout style inflatables, rodeo bull, photo booth, silent disco and giant wall climbing. Josh in Eagle class joined the stage and performed 'We will rock you' on the drums alongside a student from Wild's Lodge on guitar with an extra loud audience of St Augustine children. The children thoroughly enjoyed the day and the sun even came out!



Parent Teacher Meetings 7th and 8th October

Please sign up for a slot to meet your child's class teacher and find out how they have settled in and how they are progressing. You can sign up at the classroom door or ring into the office to book an appointment.



Open Morning

On Tuesday 15th October, St. Augustine's will hold an Open Morning for prospective families. It is a chance to see the school in action and meet staff, Governors and the pupils. Please pass on the date to any friends or family with pre-school children.



FIVE-STAR RATING



We had a surprise visit from Environmental Health this week...!!

The kitchen achieved a 5 star hygiene rating again. Well done to the team!



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St Augustine's

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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.

2 nd October	Year 2/3 to visit Stamford Library
7 th October	Parent/Teacher meetings
8 th October	Parent/Teacher meetings
9 th October	Book Bus in School
15 th October	School Open Morning for prospective families
18 th October	Last day of term
21 st to 25 th October	HALF TERM
28 th October	First day back to School
1 st November	Mass in Church at 10am (whole school)
20 th November	Flu Vaccinations (Reception to Year 5) – consent required.
29 th November	Year 5/6 start swimming lessons on Fridays until 14 th Feb.
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
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.