

## St Augustine's Catholic Voluntary Academy

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

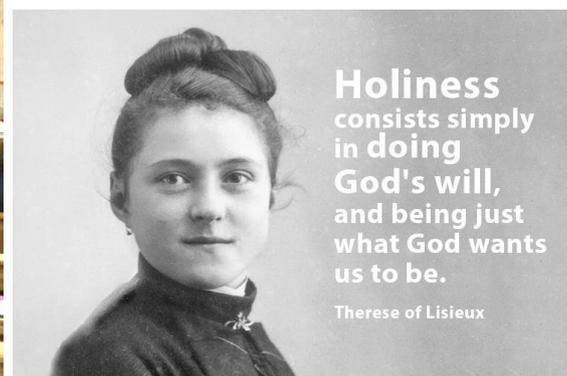
# Newsletter

4<sup>th</sup> October 2019

### Feast Day Mass of St Therese of Lisieux



This week we celebrated the feast day of the patron saint of our Multi-Academy Trust, St Therese of Lisieux. Peter, Riley, Gracie-Mae, Malgosia and Riley G were the lucky ones who were chosen to represent St Augustine's at the special mass at St Peter and St Pauls' in Lincoln. With all sixteen schools represented at the mass, the atmosphere was amazing and the live band made it electric. Pupils had prepared a piece of art that depicted all the little ways our school lives out our school mission. The art work will be framed and displayed in the Trust offices in Lincoln.



**Holiness**  
consists simply  
in doing  
God's will,  
and being just  
what God wants  
us to be.

Therese of Lisieux



### Silver Games Mark for St. Augustine's

This week, we were awarded the Silver School Games Mark for our commitment to active lifestyles and the range of opportunities for sport in school. This is a fantastic achievement and our thanks go to our P.E. coordinator, Mr Squires who leads the sport in school and ensured we met all the criteria for the award.

# 11-5

## NETBALL

### Netball match report (by Emily and Abigail)

On Wednesday we played our latest netball fixture against Bluecoats. Although searching for our first win, we were still confident as we had been working really hard in practise sessions. The game didn't start too well as we conceded early on. We suddenly began to find our rhythm and kept the ball for long periods of time before we started to score. Emily and Grace were on fire and we went into half time leading 7-1. The 2<sup>nd</sup> half was tight with both teams working really hard but in the end we were delighted to

record a 12-5 victory! Our player of the match was Olivia who was amazing – especially as it was her first game!



The launch of Times Tables Rock Stars has got children in the school buzzing with excitement about their times tables! It is very encouraging to walk around the school listening to children talking about how many coins they have achieved and what new guitars they are saving up for. Thank you to all parents that have allowed children access to the online platform where your children can practise their times tables and become more fluent in their recall. Here are a few stats for the school which we will report on each week:



It is fantastic to see the accuracy at 90%. I wonder how many of these we can increase this coming week! Keep an eye out for future class battles and I look forward to seeing if we can find our own 'Rock Legend'.

Bridge Club  
Library Visit

## Secondary school places

The parents or carers of a child in year 6 must apply for their school place by 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019. Follow this link <https://lcc.cloud.servelec-synergy.com/parentportal/> to apply for your chosen school online.



St John Fisher  
Catholic High School



## Bridge Club report by Charlie:

On Friday 27th Sept, Stamford Bridge Club came into school to teach Eagles class how to lay Bridge. It's an easy game once you get the hang of it. The school will be starting a Bridge club in the future. Maybe your child wants to join? In Bridge, you can make lots of friends from around the globe.

## Snacks at Playtime

Children in Reception and Years 1 and 2 receive a piece of fruit everyday as part of the School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme, so they do not need to bring in other snacks. Depending on the season, there's a choice of:

- bananas
- apples
- pears
- carrots
- tomatoes
- easy-peel citrus fruits, such as satsumas



Children in years 3,4,5 and 6 are welcome to bring **healthy snacks** into school for breaktimes. These could include: Any variety of raw fruit and vegetables, breadsticks, yoghurt tubes or pouches.

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**Please do not provide the following as snacks in school:**

- Fizzy or sugary drinks.
- Chocolate.
- Sweets or cakes
- Nuts of any description.
- Crisps.
- Pastries.

## Year 6 Trip to The Briars June 2020

Parents and year 6s are invited to a meeting about a planned trip to The Briars in Crich, the Catholic Retreat Centre. This will take place on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November in Eagles classroom at 3:15pm and at 6pm.

## Current Year 5 Trip to The Briars September 2020

Parents and current year 5s are invited to a meeting about a planned trip to The Briars in Crich, the Catholic Retreat Centre in September 2020. This will take place on Wednesday 6th November in Eagles classroom at 3:15pm and 6pm.

## Meeting for EYFS parents in Lambs Class

Come along and find out how we teach the children to read using phonics.

The meeting will take place in the classroom at 2:45pm and at 6pm on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November.

## Year 2 Parents' SATs Meeting

Parents are invited to a meeting to find out what the year SATs tests are all about and how you can help your child. The meeting will take place on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November at 3:15pm and at 6pm in Lions' class.

## Year 6 SATs Meeting

Parents are invited to a meeting to gain a greater understanding of what the Year 6 SATs tests involve and how you can help your child. The meeting will take place on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November at 3:15pm and at 6pm in Eagles class.



### Book Bus Visit

After last year's successful visit, we have invited the Book Bus to visit us again next week on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> Oct. Parents can browse and buy books at good prices before and after school. All children will visit the Book Bus during the school day with their class. Look out for the leaflet that will come home with your child, which tells you how you can still buy books even if you can't make it into school that day.

### Tempest School Photographers

On Thursday 10th October, Tempest Photographers will be coming into School to take individual photos of all the children. This will happen during school time in the morning. Proofs will then be sent home at a later date and you may purchase these by ordering them online if you wish.

There is also the opportunity for you to have siblings/family members photographed together. If all the siblings/family members that you would like photographed together are currently attending school at St Augustine's, please let the School Office know by the end of Wednesday 9th October if you would like them to be photographed together (by calling 01780 762094 or email [Clare.Rudkin@st-augustine.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:Clare.Rudkin@st-augustine.lincs.sch.uk)) and we will organise these photos to be taken for you during school time.

IMPORTANT: Siblings will not automatically be photographed together unless you let us know you wish this to happen in advance.

If you have pre-school children or older children that you would like photographed with your child in school, please come along to the school hall between 830am and 9am with all the children for the photos to be taken then.



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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.

7 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent/Teacher meetings
8 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent/Teacher meetings
9 <sup>th</sup> October	Book Bus in School
10 <sup>th</sup> October	Tempest Individual and Sibling Photos (am)
15 <sup>th</sup> October	School Open Morning for prospective families
18 <sup>th</sup> October	FOSA Halloween Discos for KSI and KS2
18 <sup>th</sup> October	Last day of term
21 <sup>st</sup> to 25 <sup>th</sup> October	HALF TERM
28 <sup>th</sup> October	First day back to School
1 <sup>st</sup> November	Mass in Church at 10am (whole school)
20 <sup>th</sup> November	Flu Vaccinations ( <b>Reception to Year 6</b> ) – <b>consent required.</b>
29 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 5/6 start swimming lessons on Fridays until 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb.
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
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.