



St. Augustine's

Catholic Voluntary Academy

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



Phone: 01780 762094 **Website:** www.st-augustine.lincs.sch.uk **Address:** Kesteven Road, Stamford, Lincs PE9 1SR [facebook.com/staugustinescva](https://www.facebook.com/staugustinescva)

LET US PRAY

A Message from Bishop Patrick - Sudan:

As the situation worsens, the Church in Sudan asks for our prayers. I invite you to join me in praying for the horrendous situation in Sudan, and especially for all God's children who are affected most deeply by it:

Lord that there might be, in the short term, a ceasefire and in the long term, a complete end to this divisive fighting which is tearing the country and children apart. Bring justice and healing to this divided land, we pray.

Our Lady Queen of Peace, pray for us
Saint Josephine Bakhita, pray for us
Saint Michael the Archangel, pray for us.

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle.

Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; may God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world looking for the ruin of souls.

Amen.

A MESSAGE FROM MRS COX

Dear Parents, Carers and Families,

It's been a busy and productive week here at St. Augustine's, and we're in the throes of finalising our very special plans for the King's Coronation here at school on Friday 5th May - please see details below for more information.

I'm very excited to introduce the new version of our logo, shown here at the top left of this page, which shows the 12 virtue pairs that we follow in school. Our chosen Catholic virtues form the cornerstone of how we nurture and develop the character and person of our pupils; we base our rules and rewards around them and pupils reflect on how they have (or haven't) been practising them each day. Aristotle said: 'We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence is not an act but a habit.' We hope that by practising these brilliant ways to live daily, positive actions will become an automatic part of our pupils' character and identity, as they 'flourish in the footsteps of Jesus'.

A reminder of our special King's Coronation event here at school on Friday 5th May - we have lots of stalls and fun things planned for everyone...hopefully you've all been in training for the tug of war! Please arrive through the front entrance, dressed in red, white and blue if possible. It's a non-uniform day for the children, and we would love for them to be dressed in red, white and blue too for a really colourful day. Please could you send something for your child to sit on for their picnic lunch on the school field - if you're happy for them to sit on their coats that's fine, or you might prefer to send a blanket or small cushion instead.

SATs are fast approaching for our Year 6 Juniper class; their tests start on Tuesday 9th May. These tests are used to see if your child has achieved age-related expectations for English and Mathematics. We are already so proud of their hard work, commitment and determination that they have put in to their revision tests to help them prepare - please reassure them, as we have, that they should not be putting themselves under any undue pressure or stress.

Wishing you all a lovely Bank Holiday weekend, and looking forward to seeing you all back at school on Tuesday 2nd May!

Mrs Cox



ST. PIUS V, POPE - FEAST DAY- 30TH APRIL 2023



"The Pope and God are the same, so he has all power in Heaven and earth."
- St. Pius V

St. Pius V, was born Antonio Ghislieri in 1504, in Italy. He was Pope from 1566 to 1572. He is most notable for his role in the Council of Trent, the Counter-Reformation, and for standardising the Roman Rite within the Latin Church. He also declared St. Thomas Aquinas a Doctor of the Church. As a Cardinal, he gained a reputation for putting Orthodoxy before personalities, and for prosecuting eight French Bishops for heresy.

He also stood firm against wrong doings, even rebuking his predecessor Pope Pius IV to his face, when he wanted to make a 13-year old member of his family a Cardinal and subsidise another nephew from the Papal treasury. As a Cardinal he knew it was wrong, and didn't hesitate to let it be known. He standardized the Roman Missal, which was used for over 400 years, until 1969 when Pope Paul VI revised it, becoming known as the Tridentine Mass.

Pope Pius V died on May 1, 1572. A tomb was immediately commissioned from the Sculptor Pierre Le Gros the Younger, to be erected in the Sistine Chapel of the Basilica di Santa Maria Maggiore. The Pope's body was placed in it in 1698. Pope Clement X beatified him in 1672, and was later canonised by Pope Clement XI on May 24, 1712. His feast day is celebrated on April 30th, the day before the anniversary of his death.

INTRODUCING BONNIE & BAXTER...

We are very excited to announce that we will be introducing our own school nurture dogs and will be joining The Dog Mentor programme. The Dog Mentor programme has built upon the benefits of the human-animal bond by providing children positive experiences with dogs that can help them educationally, developmentally, emotionally and socially.

Over the last 10 years The Dog Mentor programme has been proven to have a positive impact on children in all areas including self-esteem, behaviour, peer relationships and better engagement skills. These improvements then result in improved academic achievement.

Mrs Garland will be bringing her dogs Bonnie and Baxter into school very soon so that they can get used to being in school, before being trained as Dog Mentors and then introduced to the children in May. We envisage that The Dog Mentor Programme will bring a positive influence into the school environment as a whole and look forward to the impact our Dog Mentors will have on our children. Full training will be given to both Bonnie and Baxter and our staff that will work with them in order to ensure that the welfare of everyone involved is maintained as a top priority.

Full risk assessments have been carried out and both the school and the Dogs are fully insured. I hope that you share our excitement, but please get in touch with us if you have any questions or queries. If you have any concerns with regards to allergies, please get in touch with the office as soon as possible.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy birthday to **Alex S** in Willow class who is 9 today, and to **Remy** in Sycamore class who will be 7 on 30th April! We all hope you both have a wonderful time celebrating!



UFFINGTON SCARECROW FESTIVAL!

The annual Uffington Scarecrow festival takes place this weekend, on Sunday 30th April and Monday 1st May.

It's well worth a visit if you're in the area; lots to do and 41 scarecrows to see! Mrs Ellis, Mrs Jones and some of the children have been hard at work making our entry for the scarecrow competition...Princess Fiona! If you do visit, please vote for her; everyone has worked so hard and she looks very regal with her plaited hair and beautiful gown - I wonder if she'll be at the King's Coronation next weekend?!

A huge well done to all of the children for all of their work, and thank you to Mrs Ellis and Mrs Jones for their time and ingenuity.



St. Augustine's News | Issue 34 | 28.04.23

LUNCH MENU AS OF 2ND MAY

	Monday 1st May	Tuesday 2nd May	Wednesday 3rd May	Thursday 4th May	Friday 5th May
Lunch Option 1		Macaroni Cheese & Garlic Bread	Mixed Beef & Pork Ragu with Rice	MSC Breaded Falafole	
Lunch Option 2		Crustless Salmon Quiche & Garlic Bread	Ham & Cheese Potato Shells	BBQ Chicken Strips	
Lunch Option 3		Mango M&B Bean Chili & Rice	Creamy Tomato Pasta Bake	Veggie Cottage Pie	Royal Coronation Buffet -
Lunch Option 4	1, 2 & 3 served with	Mixed Vegetables	Mixed Vegetables	Potato Wedges & Baked Beans	Sandwich Selection Nibbles & Salads Followed by Celebration Sponge Cake
Lunch Option 5	4 & 5 served with	Jackpot Potatoes with a selection of fillings	Jackpot Potatoes with a selection of fillings	Jackpot Potatoes with a selection of fillings	
Dessert Option 6		Cheese Bagnette	Sliced Ham Bagnette	Diced Chicken Mayo Bagnette	
Dessert Option 7		Served with Mixed Salad	Served with Mixed Salad	Served with Mixed Salad	
Dessert Option 8		Orange Jelly with Mandarins	Marble Sponge & Custard	Cocoa Oat Cookie	
Dessert Option 9		Yeo Valley Organic Yogurt	Yeo Valley Organic Yogurt	Yeo Valley Organic Yogurt	
Dessert Option 10		Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	

OUR WEEK IN SCHOOL!

Cedar children have been sorting items into colours and sizes this week, and also sharing items in equal amounts.

Sycamore year 2's have been working on their reading and comprehension skills. They have been finding it tricky. Please ensure your child is reading every day at home to build up their fluency and stamina for reading to support them in their upcoming SATs. Please have a look on Seesaw for some of the short comprehensions we have done this week. See if your child can read the text and answer the comprehension questions independently.

Willow children gave our Collective Worship in assembly on Wednesday, giving us all ideas on how to be kind.

Acacia children have been learning about mammals and habitats.

Juniper children have been revising for their upcoming SATS and writing about the differences between Baghdad and London in 900AD

As always, please log in to the Seesaw app to see what else your child has been learning in school this week, and to view the latest curriculum plans from your child's teacher.

WILLOW CLASS

On Thursday afternoon, Willow class had a wonderful time learning some interesting facts about the Eiffel Tower whilst practising their art and French skills; did you know that the Eiffel Tower gets repainted every 7 years, and that it is also known as 'The Iron Lady'? The children printed images of the Eiffel tower and made them into 3D art using straws.

The children also learned the French words for the materials that they used to create their artwork, such as glue sticks, straws etc. A big thank you to Miss Hawkins for preparing this fun lesson.



JOIN US

FOR A MARVELLOUSLY MAJESTIC CELEBRATION OF



The King's Coronation

FRIDAY MAY 5TH
2023

FAMILIES WELCOME
FROM 1.15PM

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES TO COME TO SCHOOL DRESSED IN RED, WHITE AND BLUE.

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES TO START AT 11.30AM:

EGG & SPOON RACE • SACK RACE • OBSTACLE RACE • BEANBAG RACE

12.30PM - CHILDREN'S PICNIC LUNCH ON THE FIELD

1.15PM - FAMILIES ARRIVE - TUG OF WAR FOR ADULTS

FAMILY FAIR-STYLE GAMES TO START AT 1.30PM:

HOOK-A-DUCK • TIN CAN ALLEY • COCONUT SHY • PHOTO BOOTH • FACE PAINTING

2.15PM - NATIONAL ANTHEM AND PRAYERS

2.30PM - CAKE AND REFRESHMENTS

3.00PM - HOMETIME

GINO'S ICE CREAM VAN WILL BE SELLING ICE CREAMS IN THE AFTERNOON



ST. AUGUSTINE'S CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY • KESTEVEN ROAD • STAMFORD • PE9 1SR