

St. Augustine's

Catholic Voluntary Academy

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



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LET US PRAY

Powerful God.

You hold us and everything you have made in your loving care.

You are in the whole universe and in every tiny creature.

Pour out on us, God, the power of your love. And teach us to care for life and for beauty. Fill us with peace, so that we do not harm others.

but love them all like sisters and brothers.

God, we know that people who are poor are very special to you

and you want us to love them too, so they are not forgotten.

We ask you to change us so that we protect your world, not destroy it.

Change the hearts of people who only care about themselves and money,

instead of caring about people and the

Show us how even small things matter, help us see that we are all connected to each other and to the earth.

We thank you God for being with us each day,

fill us up with wonder and light, and help us to bring peace to our beautiful

Amen

YEAR 3/4 FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

On Thursday we hosted and played in a Year 3/4 football tournament with St George's, Uffington, Bluecoat and Malcolm Sargent schools. Everyone was so resilient and played their hearts out despite the weather conditions - well done to you all! We are all so proud. Thank you to all of the supporters who came along to boost our spirits.

- Miss E Bush

A MESSAGE FROM MRS COX

Dear Parents, Carers and Families,

Another week at St. Augustine's has flown by. The Year 6 children are now very relieved to have finished their SAT's; well done to you all for your determination and hard work. Good luck to our Year 2 children who have been preparing for their SAT's ahead of next week.

I'd like to take the opportunity to say a big thank you to some of the unsung heroes who make a huge difference to our school community with their support and time. You may not be familiar with their faces but they go above and beyond to ensure that we are supported in lots of different areas. Darryll Sinclair is a parent at the school, and not only has he been a great support to our school football team for training and coaching matches, but he is also helping us to develop our forest garden area with lots of exciting ideas. Lewis McCartney is also a parent at the school and through his work, donated some much needed desks and cupboards to us and helped to build them.

Nicholas Armitage comes in to look after all of the gardening jobs that need tending to, and is a member of our parish St Vincent de Paul Society, who have very kindly contributed towards our Year 6 trip to The Briars. Christine Armitage comes in to school to spend time reading with the children. Our Governing body members also give their time to us and for meetings on a voluntary basis, and often come in to the school to see what the children are working on. FOSA give tremendous support for many different areas of our school life. Recently they have donated a new shed in the KS1 playground that they will be selling used school uniforms from, made a donation for our Year 6 trip to the Briars to help with the transport costs, contributed towards the Willow class trip to Duxford, organised the Bags2School collection which will be on 14th June, have pledged to support a small event for our Year 6 Leavers, and they have also very kindly provided funding for 6 handmade oak benches which will proudly display our school virtues. FOSA is made up of three of our school parents and the work that they do for us is just amazing.

I must also thank George Hetherington from George's Food Hub who provides delicious treats for our school community, and Aileen Frisby who is always on hand to provide refreshments at our school events. There are many parents, too many to name individually, who help us so much and give their time to us freely. All of us at St. Augustine's are very grateful to you all.

You will have received an email from the school yesterday with details for the next inspire+ Holiday and Food Camp being held here at St. Augustine's from 30th May - 2nd June. This holiday club is not funded by the Local Authority but there are limited free spaces available for children who are in receipt of free school meals.

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

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Mrs Cox



FEAST DAY OF ST. ISIDORE THE FARMER - SUNDAY 15TH MAY



St. Isidore was born about the year 1100 in Madrid, Spain. His parents were poor and could not provide an education for their son. At an early age, he was hired out for farm work. Isidore came to have a deep love for the land that he farmed, and he found God through his devotion to the land, even if that land belonged to others.

St. Isidore died at the age of 60. It is said his rugged constitution allowed him to still plow the soil until shortly before his death. His devoted wife Maria was by his side at the end, consoling him with her presence and prayers.

It took five centuries, but in 1622 Isidore was solemnly canonised by Pope Paul V. It is truly amazing that this simple man was formally recognised as a saint, and on the same day as four distinguished persons of the Church: St. Ignatius, St. Francis Xavier, St. Teresa of Avila and St. Philip Neri. They were well known during their lifetimes; Isidore was little known, but lived a simple and faithful life. He was kind and generous to everyone that he met. He came to be respected after his death for his humble submission as a farm worker, fully devoted to God's will.

GREEN TEAM - MON 15TH MAY

The Green team will be litter picking on Monday - please ensure that you have suitable footwear and outerwear to suit the weather!

SPORTS DAY - WEDS 24TH MAY

Our sports day will take place on Wednesday 24th May with parents welcome to attend the track events from 1.15pm. If the weather is inclement, sports day will take place on Friday 26th May

SUMMER FAIR - SAT 8TH JULY

Our wonderful FOSA Summer Fair will take place on Saturday 8th July - please come along and enjoy our stalls, refreshments and activities!

ASCENSION MASS - THURS 18TH MAY

Canon Peter will be in school to give Ascension Mass on Thursday 18th May - you are all welcome to come and join us at 1.30pm via the main school entrance.

ST AUGUSTINE'S FEAST DAY - THURS 25TH MAY

We will celebrate St. Augustine's Feast Day on Thursday 25th May. We will be taking the children to our parish church at 1.30pm - you are all welcome to come along and join us.

SCHOOL REPORTS - TUES 11TH JULY

Your child's school report will come home with them on Tuesday 11th July, ahead of our last day of term, Friday 21st July

SCHOOL DISCO - THURS 18TH MAY

FOSA have very kindly organised a disco for us all from 4.30-6pm with food and refreshments. £3 payable on arrival which will be via the main entrance from 4.20pm, and pick up from classroom doors.

COMMUNITY GARDENING - SAT 17TH JUNE

We are holding a community gardening event! If you are able to help, please come along and help us tidy up and develop our forest area and sensory garden! Refreshments will be available and we would be so grateful for any time that you can give us!





It's a very special 'Happy Birthday' this week, as George Hetherington from George's Food Hub is celebrating his birthday today!
George does so much for our school community and the wider Stamford community. Along with his amazing team, George has provided food for over 7000 people from the Food Hub.

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All of us at St. Augustine's wish George a very happy birthday, and a wonderful time celebrating.

WILLOW CLASS TRIP FUNDRAISER

Willow Class will be holding a Cake Sale straight after school today! This will be held outside Willow classroom at 3.15pm

We are raising funds to help us pay for our coach trip to Duxford War Museum. Duxford War Museum is not charging us for entry, but we do need to cover the cost of the transport for the trip. Please come and get a Friday treat and help us get to Duxford!

Many thanks.

- Mrs Donington

LUNCH MENU AS OF 15TH MAY

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	15th May	16th May	17th May	18th May	19th May
Lunch Option 1	Macaroni Cheese	Mega Mild Chilli Mince, Crispy Taco & Rice	Roast Chicken & Roast Potatoes	Simpsons Puff Pastry Sausage Roll	MSC Fishcake
Lunch	Cheese & Potato	Tomato Pasta	Chicken & Rice	Cheese & Ham	Ham, Cheese &
Option 2	Bake	Bake	Burrito	Potato Shells	Potato Pasty
Lunch Option 3	Vegetable Noodles	Mega Mild Bean Chilli, Crispy Taco & Rice	Creamy Tomato Pasta & Garlic Bread	Breaded Vegetable Fingers	Spinach, Tomato & Egg Muffins
1, 2 & 3 served with	Rainbow Salad	Mixed Vegetables	Mixed Vegetables	Mashed Potato (M1&3) & Baked Beans	Oven Chips, Peas Sweetcorn & Ketchup
Lunch Option 4	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings			
Lunch	Tuna Mayo	Cheese Baguette	Sliced Ham	Diced Chicken	Sliced Ham
Option 5	Baguette		Baguette	Mayo Baguette	Baguette
4 & 5	Served with				
served with	Mixed Salad				
Dessert	Apple Crumble	Oat Cookie	Carrot Cake &	Chocolate	Ginger Cake &
Option D	& Custard		Orange Wedges	Cracknel	Custard
Dessert	Yeo Valley				
Option Y	Organic Yoghurt				
Dessert Option F	Fresh Fruit				

ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance this week was 89.28%. Our attendance by class is as follows:

Cedar - 74.65%

Sycamore - 89.06%

Acacia - 85.31%

Willow - 91.37% **Juniper** - 100.0%

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79 of our pupils had 100% attendance this week.

BONNIE & BAXTER - NURTURE DOGS



Bonnie and Baxter were in school this week to spend time with the children and have some training with Jenny from The Dog Mentor. We are delighted to tell you that Bonnie and Baxter both passed their training with flying colours. We all loved having them in school and can't wait for you to see much more of them before their official start day in September.









ST. AUGUSTINE'S WORSHIP CHOIR

Introducing our brand new St. Augustine's Worship Choir! Here they are rehearsing with Mrs Cox in preparation to sing in church on Sunday 21st May at the 9am Mass.

Thank you to our St. Mary and St. Augustine church organist, Liz, who comes along each week to support us. Please come along next Sunday - we'd love for you to hear us sing!



Back l-r: Harri, Ellie,Daisy, Eliana and Lila Front l-r; Luke, Rose, Sylvie, Kaya and Freya