

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

Dear Lord,
Thank you for this holiday—
an extra chance for fun and play.
There's so much I can learn and do
even if I'm not in school.
All the beauty and gifts abound.
The world you created is all around.
Today's a chance to go explore,
try new things, and discover more.
I'll miss my teacher and my friends
just as happens on weekends.
But I know that for today,
I'm thankful for this holiday.

DIARY DATES

Amen.

Saturday 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.

Saturday 8th July - Come and join us at our wonderful FOSA Summer Fair and enjoy our stalls, refreshments and activities!

Tuesday 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**

A MESSAGE FROM MRS COX

Dear Parents. Carers and Families.

Here we are at the end of our Pentecost 1 term and the sun has arrived in time for our break! Even though it's been a very busy week with Sports Day, our St. Augustine's Day celebrations and end-of-term tiredness, the children have been so well behaved and worked so hard. We are all so proud of all of their amazing achievements this term.

Sports Day was great fun and all of the children gave their all for their team houses. The scoring was very close but congratulations go to our Yellow house for the overall win, Please see below for a small selection of photos of the day - more to follow on the Seesaw app.

Our Lead Lay Chaplain, Hannah Leech, spent the day with us yesterday celebrating St. Augustine's Day - please see below for more details.

Do we have any budding singers, actors or dancers amongst our children?! During half term, the School Council would love for any interested children to start planning and rehearsing an act for...ST. AUGUSTINE'S GOT TALENT! This promises to be an amazing event...more details to follow soon!

This week marks Laudato Si' Week. This event began as a way to celebrate the first anniversary of Pope Francis' world-changing papal encyclical letter, "Laudato Si': On Care For Our Common Home." Since then, the annual celebration has become a way for all Catholics to unite and rejoice in the progress we've made in bringing Laudato Si' to life and to commit ourselves to further prayer and action for our common home.

This year, with the theme of "Listening and Journeying Together" Catholics on six continents will work on "bringing the human family together to protect our common home" (LS 13), which is the guiding Laudato Si' quote for the weeklong celebration.

Wishing you all a lovely half term break; we look forward to seeing you back on Monday 5th June to start our new Pentecost 2 term.

Mrs Cox

ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY

This week we celebrate the life of St. Augustine of Canterbury. In 595 AD, Pope Gregory the Great chose St Augustine to be the head of a mission to Britain to Christianize King Æthelberht and his Kingdom of Kent from Anglo-Saxon paganism.

This mission is commonly known as the Gregorian mission. At this time St Augustine was the prior of the Abbey of St Andrew's in Rome. Before the delegation reached Britain, they halted because of the fear of the terrifying tales of the Celts. Augustine went back to Rome to request papal permission to return. Pope Gregory declined the request and sent St Augustine back with letters to encourage the missionaries who were left behind to persevere.

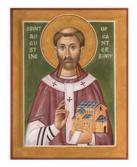
St Augustine and his delegation reached Kent in 597 AD and soon after their arrival, they achieved some initial success. King Æthelberht permitted them to settle and preach in Canterbury. They used St Martin's Church for services.

St Augustine managed to convert and baptize King Æthelberht which led to more large-scale conversions from the people. The conversion of the ruler at that time prompted his subjects to convert too.

It is later recorded that he established his episcopal see at Canterbury. He was the first Archbishop of Canterbury, in England. St Augustine founded the monastery of Saints Peter and Paul on land donated by the king. This monastery was later renamed St Augustine's Abbey.

St Augustine founded two more bishoprics in Britain in 604 AD. Two men who had also been sent to Britain in 601 were Mellitus and Justus. They were consecrated and Mellitus became the Bishop of London and Justus became Bishop of Rochester.

With the help of the king, St Augustine re-consecrated a church built by Roman Christians in Canterbury but had been used for pagan worship all along.



ST. AUGUSTINE'S DAY

We had a wonderful day celebrating St. Augustine's feast day in school on Thursday. Hannah Leech, our Lead Lay Chaplain, spent time with all of the children whilst leading them in some really special and thought-provoking activities. We all learnt some lovely songs and discussed what we thought the most important thing is that St. Augustine has taught us, how can we show love and compassion to others, and how can we make the world a better place.

Our EYFS made a colourful piece of stained glass using a sheet of clear acrylic and tissue paper, Y1/2 made a lectern frontal by painting their hands and transferring them on to fabric. Y2/3 brought items to the altar that they had made, including a mitre and staff. Y3/4 children prepared and read 'sorry', 'asking' and 'thank you' prayers. Y6 children prepared and read our opening prayer and liturgy scriptures. The children each had a piece of fabric to personalise: this was turned into a huge string of bunting which represents all of the qualities that each child brings to our school.



YEAR 6 JUNIPER CLASS

A reminder that we have a meeting in our classroom on Tuesday 6th June at 3.20pm to discuss details of the Briars Residential trip with parents and children.

We also have a Nutrition Workshop for parents on Wednesday 21st June from 2.40pm to 3.15pm - all welcome to attend.

Also, our class will start swimming again after half term and will need a towel, swimming hat, goggle and costume - letter to follow.

GREEN TEAM

As we mark Laudato Si' Week 2023, we would like to give our thanks to our Green Team, led by Mrs T, for the time that they dedicated to litter picking around the school - it was surprising just how much litter they found. Thank you all so much for caring for our school community.



LUNCH MENU AS OF 5TH JUNE

	Monday 5th June	Tuesday 6th June	Wednesday 7th June	Thursday 8th June	Friday 9th June
Lunch Option 1	Creamy Tomato Macaroni & Garlic Bread	Hunters Style Chicken & Rice	Beef Lasagne	Firate Pete's MSC Fish Finger Wrop	Simpsons Lincolnshire Sausage
Lunch Option 2	Jacket Potato with Mega Mild Veggie Chilli	Vegetable Lasagne	Cheese, Broccoli & Bacon Hot Pot	Ham & Cheese Potato Boats	Chickpea & Sweetcorn Fritter
Lunch Option 3	Cheese Topped Veggie Cottage Pie	Mocaroni Cheese	Sweet Potato & Lentil Curry with Rice	Vegan Fishless Finger Wrop	Cauliflower & Broccoli Cheese Bake
1,263 erved with	Mixed Vegetables	Mixed Vegetables	Mixed Vegetables	Diced Herby Roast Potatoes & Baked Beans	Mashed Potato & Mixed Vegetables
Lunch Option 4	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings	Jacket Patato with a selection of Fillings	Jacket Potato with a selection of fillings
Lunch Option 5	Tuna Baguette	Cheese Baguette	Sliced Ham Baguette	Diced Chicken Mayo Baguette	Sliced Ham Baguette
4 & 5 erved with	Served with Mixed Salad				
Dessert Option D	Peaches & Squirty Cream	Chocolate Buttercream Sponge Cake	Apple Crumble & Custard	Under the Sea Shortbread	Vanilla Sprinkle Sponge Cake
Dessert Option Y	Yeo Valley Organic Yoghurt				
Dessert Option F	Fresh Fruit				

ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance this week was 90.97%. Our attendance by class is as follows:

Cedar - 84.62%

Sycamore - 85.89%

Acacia - 91.83%

Willow - 93.25%

Juniper - 94.77%

75 of our pupils had 100% attendance this week

ST. AUGUSTINE'S SPORTS DAY

The sun was shining on us on Wednesday for our sports day! The children showed such determination in all of the events; well done to all of you for all of your efforts. Our house results across all the events are:

Red - 188 points **Blue** - 220 points **Green** 243 points and our winners, **Yellow** with 247 points.

