# St. Augustine's Catholic Voluntary Academy





## Let all that you do be done in love.

L Corinthians 16:14



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## A MESSAGE FROM MRS COX

What a great week we've had at St. Augustine's! The children are really settling in to their school routine this week and there are lots of happy faces in the corridors! Well done to everybody for a great week at our lovely school.

Clubs have started and are really well attended. Details of our Cookery Club with Mrs Mason have gone out today; you should now be able to book in via the Arbor app. Booking for this club closes at 9am on Monday morning.

We have also sent out details today of our class trips to Mass at our parish church, St. Mary and St. Augustine, and to the Stamford Library.

We have included a chart with the newsletter that sets out our expectations of homework for all year groups. If you have any questions, please do speak with your child's class teacher in the first instance.



Our Nottingham Roman Catholic Diocesan Education Service (NRCDES) are offering an online course for parents and carers to explore the Catholic Faith and Parenthood. These sessions are very informal and everyone is welcome to join. The first session is due to take place on Tuesday 3rd October. Please see the last page of this newsletter for further details.

Wishing you a lovely weekend ahead and look forward to seeing you all on Monday morning.

## VIRTUES CERTIFICATES

Congratulations to all of the recipients of this week's Virtue Certificates:

Sycamore Class - Anastasia for Love & Respect

Olive Class - Althea for Love of Learning & Determination

Acacia Class - Romeo for Hope & Confidence

Willow Class - Ronan for Love of Neighbour & Self Control

Juniper Class - Conor for Love of Learning & Determination

Your child's virtue points will be available to view on the Arbor app very soon!



## LET US PRAY

O God, who willed that Your Only Begotten Son

should undergo the Cross to save the human race, grant, we pray, that we, who have known his mystery on earth, may merit the grace of his redemption in heaven.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.





Archie in Year 6 Juniper class is 11 today!

Many happy returns from everyone at St. Augustine's; we hope you have lots of fun celebrating your special day.



A fond farewell to Ronan in Willow class who is leaving us today! Ronan, you have been a wonderful student throughout your time with us at St. A's, and we will all miss you so much. Good luck for the future.

## YEAR 6 JUNIPER CLASS

Our Year 6 Juniper class have planned and made the most beautiful prayer space this week. It is located outside the Juniper classroom. You are most welcome to use this space for a quiet moment of reflection or to offer up a prayer.

## CHILDREN'S CLOTHES SALE

The British Red Cross are hosting a Children's Charity Clothes Sale tomorrow, Saturday 16th September at our Parish Church, St. Mary & St. Augustine on Broad Street, tomorrow, 16th September from 11am - 3pm.

Pre-Loved clothes will be for sale - from ages of 0 through to 14. All proceeds will go towards the British Red Cross essential services, and everything that you buy or donate helps people in crisis in the UK and overseas.

If you have any questions, please email the following address: keiranalderson@redcross.org.uk



### LITTLE STARS AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

You can now book and pay for our Little Stars After School Club on our new Arbor App. This is the only way to book a place for your child.

Please be reminded that bookings close 48 hours in advance.

If you need any help, please do get in touch.



#### FEAST DAY 14TH SEPTEMBER

Yesterday was the Feast Day of The Exaltation of the Holy Cross. This feast traces its beginning to Jerusalem and the dedication of the church built on the site of Mount Calvary in 335. But the meaning of the cross is deeper than any city, any celebration, any building. The cross is a sign of suffering, a sign of human cruelty at its worst. But by Christ's love shown in the Paschal Mystery, it has become the sign of triumph and victory, the sign of God, who is love itself.



## WEEKLY P.E DAYS

Cedar: Wednesday (P.E)

Sycamore: Tuesday (P.E) & Friday (Forest School)

Olive: Tuesday (P.E) & Friday (Forest School)

Acacia: Thursday (P.E) & Friday (Swimming)

Willow: Tuesday (P.E)

Juniper: Wednesday (P.E) & Friday (Swimming)



## SKATE & PAINT-SUNDAY 24TH SEPT



Our friends at Art Pop Up are hosting a Skate & Paint event at the Stamford Skatepark on Recreation Ground Road on Sunday 24th September, from 12.30pm until 5pm. There will also be a skateboard and scooter contest, with prizes for under 13's, 13-16 and 16+

This promises to be a great event with a dj and live street art. The event is free - all you need to do if you'd like to enter the skateboard and scooter contest is register via the QR code on the left. Free refreshments are also available on the day.

We'd love to see your art if you attend the event!

## WHAT WE'VE HEARD THIS WEEK...



"'I liked learning how to write in more detail in English" Lila -Willow Class

"Swimming was great!" - Juniper Class

"I have really enjoyed my maths lessons this week. Today we looked at numbers to one thousand." Flynn - Willow Class



Just a reminder that meals must be ordered at least a week in advance, and the deadline for orders for the following week is 9am on a Tuesday morning. After this time, Ideal Meals for Schools cannot accept any further orders. Meals can be booked for an entire term for convenience, If you need help with the ordering system, please click <u>here</u> for a full guide on how to book school meals. The Ideal Meals for Schools website also has lots of recipes and activities for children <u>here</u>.

## MEET OUR TEAM MEMBERS



Bonnie & Baxter St. Augustine's Dog Mentors



Miss Jenny Darby EYFS (CEDAR) Teacher & Phonics Lead

Ms Carole Hawkins (Giroguy) Year 6 Juniper Class Teaching Assistant 1:1





## ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance this week was 94.04%.

Our attendance by class is as follows: **Cedar** - 97.79% **Sycamore** - 95.95% **Olive** - 95.83% **Acacia** - 94.77% **Willow** - 92.13% **Juniper** - 88.15%

Being around teachers and friends in a school environment is the best way for pupils to learn and reach their potential. Time in school also keeps children safe and provides access to extra-curricular opportunities and pastoral care. For more information, please visit the gov.uk website <u>here</u>,



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