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ESSAGE FROM MRS COX

What a wonderful and busy week we've had at St Augustine's! It has been fantastic to see so many of our children engaged in exciting learning experiences and activities.

Our pupils have been enjoying the fresh air and sunshine while getting in their steps for the Big Lent Walk, reflecting on the importance of giving back and supporting those in need during this special season. If you haven't yet engaged in this sponsored event, please see details on Seesaw. Huge well done to Kaian in Cedar class who has already raised over £150 so far! All monies should be in on Wednesday, please.

Meanwhile, our Year 5 and Year 6 girls represented our school brilliantly at the FA Girls' Futsal event at the Borderville Sports Centre, supported by Miss B and Mrs Jones - well done to all involved!

A huge well done to four of our Year 6 students in Newspaper Club, who have been working incredibly hard over the past few weeks to put together the first-ever edition of our new school newspaper. The St. A's News. We're delighted to announce that it will be on sale in the playground next week - what a fantastic achievement!

In EYFS Cedar Class, the children had a very special time welcoming mums into school for a lovely crafting session, creating something beautiful just in time for Mother's Day. The children also had an exciting visit from Victoria the vet, who shared insights into life as a vet and gave valuable advice on how we can care for our pets.

Year 3 and 4 'Scarecrow Club' began last night as Mrs Ellis and the children began crafting our annual submission to the Uffington Scarecrow Festival – we can't wait to see this year's masterpiece!

Our Year 5 Willow Class also had a brilliant experience at the Town Hall, taking part in a thought-provoking 'Crime and

Punishment' workshop. And on Thursday evening, Alice and Elspeth did an excellent job representing St Augustine's at the Youth Council at The Town Hall, where discussions focused on Fairtrade. Did you know that Stamford is a Fairtrade town? This raises an important question

- could our school pledge to be Fairtrade too? Something for us all to consider!

As we approach our final week of learning before the Easter holidays, I want to thank all our pupils, staff, and families for their enthusiasm and support. We look forward to another great week together before we break up on Friday 4th April.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable weekend.

Mrs Cox



LET US PRAY

Dear Jesus.

Thank You for the gift of spring, For flowers that bloom and birds that sing.

Thank You for Easter, full of light, Where You rose in glory, shining bright.

Help me to love, to share, to pray, To follow You each and every day. Bless my family, my friends, my

And guide me wherever I may

Amen.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Many happy returns to Ripley in Sycamore Class who is 7 on Thursday, and to Rupert in Acacia Class who is 9 on Thursday!!



We hope that you have a great time celebrating your special day!

CAKE SALE **FUNDRAISING** SUCCESS!

Thank you to everyone who came to support our fundraising cake sale last Friday - this wonderful event was arranged by school mum Chantelle Evans, to raise money for Women's Aid.

Chantelle emailed us to share the following:

"We made £97.30 for Peterborough womens aid! Please pass on my sincere gratitude for everyone who donated, baked, and assisted to today happen. Such a make empowering moment."









GOODBYE, MARCH, AND APRIL BLESSINGS

We say goodbye to March whilst we celebrate Mother's Day - a special time to give thanks for all the love, care, and sacrifices made by mothers, grandmothers, and those who take on a motherly role in our lives. Just as Mary, the mother of Jesus, nurtured Him with faith and devotion, we honour the guiding hands that shape us with kindness and wisdom. Let us take a moment to pray for all mothers, asking God to bless them with strength, joy, and peace.

As we step into April, we are reminded of the beauty of new beginnings. The lighter evenings, blossoming flowers, and the promise of warmer days all reflect God's gift of renewal. With the clocks having sprung forward, we embrace the extra daylight as an opportunity to spend more time outdoors, appreciating the wonder of His creation. This season invites us to reflect on the blessings in our

lives and to be grateful for the fresh start each day brings.

Wishing you all a joyful and blessed April!





OUR PARISH CHURCH

The Children's Liturgy takes place at the

9:00am Mass. All children are welcome to share in this opportunity to participate in their own Liturgy of the Word at Mass at an appropriate level for them.

Please <u>click here</u> to read weekly newsletters from our Catholic Parish of Stamford, Saint Mary and Saint Augustine.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S **CLASS LITURGIES**

Our classes celebrate their liturgies every Wednesday afternoon from 3pm until 3.15pm. Classroom doors will be open at 3pm if you would like to join us.



BOURNE & DEEPING R.C. PARISH

Please click here to read weekly newsletters from our friends at the Bourne and Deeping Roman Catholic Parish.

VIRTUES CERTIFICATES

Congratulations to all of the recipients of this week's Virtue Certificates - we are all very proud of you.

Cedar Class - Kaian - Hope & Confidence

Sycamore Class - Keira - Love of Learning & Determination

Acacia Class - Ava - Hope & Confidence

Willow Class - Elspeth - Hope & Confidence

Juniper Class - Alicia - Love of Neighbour & Self-Control



STORY TIME WITH FLOSSIE!

Congratulations to all of Flossie's Friends who earned virtue points this week...have a lovely storytime with Flossie!

Cedar Class - Ellie

Sycamore Class - Adam

Acacia Class - Clara

Willow Class - Jake

Juniper Class - Ronan



SPRING AT PETERBOROUGH CATHEDRAL!

Peterborough Cathedral has a brand new Events Guide for Spring, filled with a fantastic range of activities and experiences for everyone to enjoy. From concerts and family-friendly activities to inspiring talks and special services, there's something for all ages and interests.

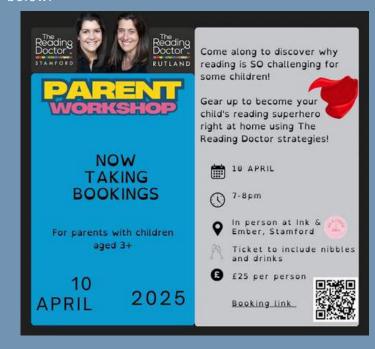
Click on the image below to view the guide!



READING DOCTOR - PARENT WORKSHOP

The Reading Doctor is hosting a special parent workshop on the 10th April, to help you discover how children learn to read and how to support your child at home using easy, everyday strategies.

To book your ticket, please click on the image below.





ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance this week was 92.31%

Our attendance by class is as follows:

Cedar - 94.44%

Sycamore - 91.38%

Acacia - 89.29%

Willow - 94.44%

Juniper - 89.77%

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>,



"From the first day of term to the last, the small moments in a school day make a real difference to your child.

#AttendanceCounts"



EXTRA-ORDO-NARY 'WORD OF THE WEEK'

Next week's word is 'Sacrifice'.

During Lent, we reflect on the sacrifice of Jesus and what it means for our lives. The sacrifice of Jesus is a reminder that we are all loved by God, and that we too, are called to live our lives for others as humble servants.

Think about someone who makes sacrifices for you and take a moment to thank them for what they do this week.



LINCS COUNTY COUNCIL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD PROGRAMME

Bookings are now live for the Lincs CC Holiday Activities and Food Programme - this is open to all school age children who are eligible for Free School Meals.

Click on the image below or scan the QR code for more information.





March

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
					1	2
3	4	5	CHARACTER!	7 -COFFEE MORNING 8.45AM	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 -Fosa non-uniform day! -COFFEE MORNING 8.45AM	15	16
17	18	19		21 -FUNDRAISING COFFEE MORNING 8.45AM -SYCAMORE & JUNIPER CLASS TRIP TO TOWER OF LONDON!	22	23
	25 -Fosa shed open before and after school for mother's day shop! CYBERWISE CAMPAIGN SESSION WITH THE CONVERSATION, STAMFORD: 8 45AM-10, 45AM		27 -FoSA SHED OPEN BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL FOR MOTHER'S DAY SHOP!		29	30





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	1	2	3	4 -F.O.S.A EASTER EGG HUNT! LAST DAY OF TERM BEFORE EASTER BREAK!	5	6
7 EASTER BREAK	8 EASTER BREAK	9 EASTER BREAK	10 EASTER BREAK	11 EASTER BREAK	12	13
14 EASTER BREAK	15 EASTER BREAK	16 EASTER BREAK	17 EASTER BREAK	18 EASTER BREAK GOOD FRIDAY	19	20
21 EASTER MONDAY	22 FIRST DAY OF NEW TERM	23	24	25 -F.O.S.A NON-UNIFORM/ CRAZY HAIR DAY!	26	27
28	29 -PAACT PARENT WORKSHOP - 1.30PM	30				





FLYNN, ALICE, ROCCO AND CHARLIE WORKING ON YOUR NEW SCHOOL NEWSPAPER!



BIG LENT WALK STEPS IN THE SUNSHINE!



YEAR 1/2 SYCAMORE CLASS AT THE TOWER OF LONDON!



ACACIA CLASS HAVING FUN AT THE ART POP-UP TEA DANCE!





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FAMILY FIRST MAGAZINE

Family First is a free publication that covers everything you and your family need in order to build a happier and healthier lifestyle - click on the image below for the Spring edition!



THIS IS LENT! THE MARK 10 MISSION

We are now in the season of Lent and The Mark 10 Mission are inviting children to journey through this sacred season with them.

Click on the images below to view the videos.



Watch

Little Liturgies

(ages 4-8)

The Parable of the Lost Son



Watch

The Mark 10 Mission (ages 8-12)

The Lost Son Comes Home



This Lent, The Mark 10 Mission are delighted to be partnering with Mary's Meals, a wonderful charity who feed over two million of the world's hungriest children every school day. We are inviting children to make a simple promise this Lent: to fast and donate what they save to Mary's Meals.

For more information about the amazing work of Mary's Meals and ways to donate, click here.



Your Mission is to choose something to fast from that usually costs money to buy. This could be a particular food or another type of treat like a new game or something you collect. The money you save can be donated to Mary's Meals and help feed some of the world's hungriest children.



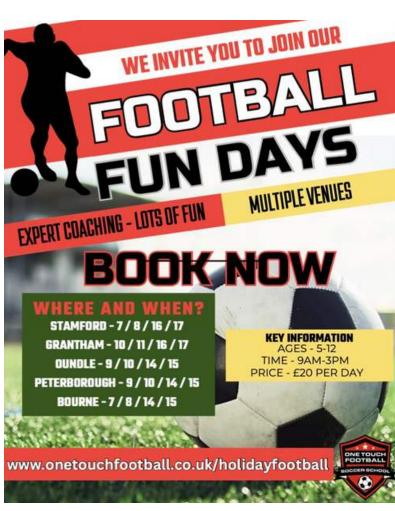














Energy Advice

Energy prices are becoming more expensive. This will be a hard time for anyone already struggling to pay their bills or in debt.

Up until the 31st March, we may be able to help by offering energy advice, which can:

- · Help you with your pre-payment meter
- Identify energy grants
- Apply for the Priority Services Register
- Deal with energy debt

We can look at eligibility for energy and food support for people living in the most vulnerable situations.

Please call Adviceline on 0808 278 7996 to get support. We can offer support in multiple languages.



