

St. Augustine's

Catholic Voluntary Academy



LET ALL THAT YOU DO BE DONE *in love*
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A MESSAGE FROM MRS COX

It's been a super first week back at St. Augustine's after our half term break! Our Year 1/ 2 Sycamore Class took part in a special Multi Skills event at Malcolm Sargent school on Tuesday, our Year 3/ 4 Acacia Class had a lovely time at Churches Together on Wednesday, and on Thursday we had some very special visitors from the RAF for some brilliant STEM workshops! Today, our friend and local poet, Darren Rawnsley, came to see us for a special art workshop based on the theme of 'Victory' - we have some exciting news to share with you soon about this project! A very busy and creative week!

St. A's Got Talent auditions have gone brilliantly this week, and it's been wonderful to see the enthusiasm and creativity of all the children who took part. Finalists will be announced early next week, and we look forward to welcoming their parents into school for the grand final on Friday 13th June.

You will have seen my letter on Monday where I explained that at the end of this term, I will be stepping down as Headteacher. As I explained in my letter to you all, this has been a difficult decision to make; my time here over the past four years has been both deeply rewarding and an immense privilege. I've recently accepted a new role as Headteacher at a large special school, where I'll be able to focus more closely on my passion for supporting children with severe and complex special educational needs. This opportunity feels like a natural progression in my journey and deep commitment to inclusive education and ensuring every child has the chance to succeed.

It has been a real privilege to be part of the St. Augustine's community, and I'm incredibly proud of all that we've accomplished together. The school's development over the past few years is thanks to the hard work of our dedicated staff, the backing of our wonderful families, and the incredible spirit of our pupils. Whilst I know the current uncertainty may feel unsettling, please be assured that the amazing St. Augustine's staff team will still be here and with the school in such a strong position, I know that I will be leaving it in safe hands. The CMAT is currently finalising interim leadership plans for the new academic year, and I'll continue to share updates as they're confirmed.

Thank you all for your ongoing support and kindness; it's truly been an honour to lead this school, and I look forward to celebrating all we've achieved as we head into the final weeks of the school year.

With best wishes,

Mrs Cox

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LET US PRAY

Holy Spirit,
Blow away the things
that keep people
apart.
Light your flame of
love and hope in us,
so that we can be your
Pentecost people
today.
Amen.

- CAFOD



PENTECOST - A CELEBRATION OF LOVE AND COURAGE

This Sunday, 50 days after Easter, we celebrate a very special day called Pentecost. It's when we remember the time the Holy Spirit came to the friends of Jesus, filling them with joy, peace, and courage. They had been feeling a bit lost and unsure, but suddenly they felt brave and full of love.

The Holy Spirit helped them to go out into the world, to be kind, to share the good news of Jesus, and to care for others - no matter where they came from or what language they spoke.

Pentecost reminds us that love brings people together. It helps us be brave, do the right thing, and show kindness, even when it's hard.

This week, let's be like those first friends of Jesus.
Let's speak kindly, even when we feel cross.
Let's help someone who might be feeling left out.
Let's show love to our families, friends, and everyone we meet.

BIKEABILITY!

This week, some of our Year 5 and Year 6 children took part in this year's Bikeability course! Everyone did so well - we are delighted to say that all of the children passed Level 2!



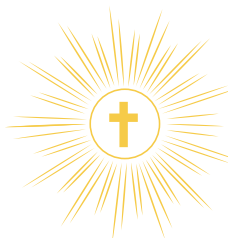
OUR PARISH CHURCH

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 [click here](#) 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.

GREEN TEAM/ SCHOOL COUNCIL

Green Team - Monday 9th June
School Council - Monday 16th June
Green Team - Monday 23rd June

VIRTUES CERTIFICATES

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

Cedar Class - **Elsie & Woody** - **Love of Learning & Determination**

Sycamore Class - **Keira** - **Love of Learning & Determination**

Acacia Class - **Benjamin H** - **Hope & Confidence**

Willow Class - **Ella** - **Love of Learning & Determination**

Juniper Class - **Nazim & Lila** - **Love of Learning & Determination**



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 - **Elsie**

Sycamore Class - **Ripley**

Acacia Class - **Remy**

Willow Class - **Leo**

Juniper Class - **Ronan**

Woof!



ACACIA CLASS - CHURCHES TOGETHER

Our Y3&4 Acacia Class children had a great time at the Churches Together event on Wednesday! Lots of crafts, outdoor activities and learning about music...what a lovely day!



E-SAFETY WITH ALAN MCKENZIE

For Parents - Fortnite and AI

Fortnite continues to be one of the most popular games played by children and young people. The game is continually being updated with new features and in their latest update Epic Games has introduced an AI feature where players can talk to characters like Darth Vader.

As with anything like this, it's questionable whether Epic Games have really thought this through or are they just jumping on the bandwagon of AI where everyone is seemingly introducing it.

Wayne Denner has written a blog post about this, including some advice for parents including the parental settings for the new AI feature. You can find the blog post [HERE](#).



EXTRA-ORDO-NARY 'WORD OF THE WEEK'

Next week's word is 'Pentecost'.

Pentecost is where we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit. At Pentecost the Holy Spirit came down upon the apostles in the form of tongues of fire, and they were filled with the Spirit and began to speak in other languages. This day is often referred to as the Church's birthday as it marks the moment when the disciples were inspired to go out into the world to share the good news, and to bring people to Christ.

Find out how to say something nice in a new language this week and take opportunities to share good news with others.



ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance this week was 91.04%

Our attendance by class is as follows:

Cedar - 90.64%

Sycamore - 90.04%%

Acacia - 86.83%

Willow - 91.98%

Juniper - 96.15%

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 [here](#).



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



SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR!

We will be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair in the school hall on 18th, 19th, and 20th June! There will be lots of great books for all ages to choose from, with prices starting at just £2.99.

Click [here](#) for a preview of the books that will be on sale. You will be able to pay for books while you're at the Fair; simply scan a QR code on your phone to easily access the payment platform.

Weds 18th June: 3.15pm-3.45pm

Thurs 19th June: 8.30am-8.45am

& 3.15pm-3.45pm

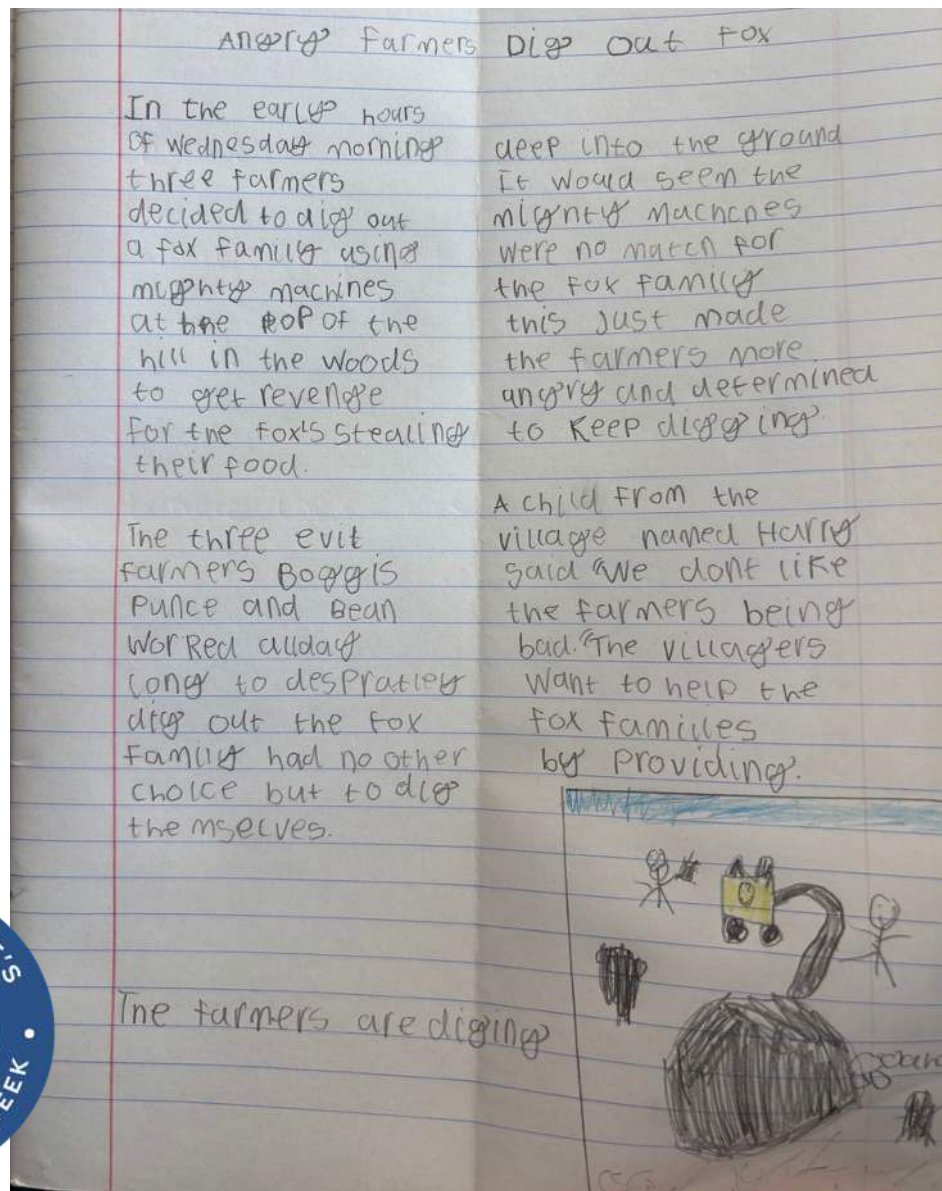
Fri 20th June: 3.15pm-3.45pm



Writer of THE WEEK

Rupert in our Acacia Class is our Writer of the Week! Rupert has written about the farmers in 'The Fantastic Mr Fox', and used brilliant detail.

Miss Suret is so proud of you, Rupert - well done on your beautiful handwriting and attention to detail.



R U P E R T V A N D E R S O N



2025 June

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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2 BIKEABILITY TRAINING	3 BIKEABILITY TRAINING	4 BIKEABILITY TRAINING	5 -Y5 & 6 RAF STEM WORKSHOP -ST. A'S GOT TALENT LUNCHTIME AUDITIONS!	6 -FOSA NON UNIFORM DAY! -ST. A'S GOT TALENT LUNCHTIME AUDITIONS!	7	8
9	10	11 Y3 & 4 MINI OLYMPICS	12	13 -FOSA FATHER'S DAY GIFT SHOP! -ST. A'S GOT TALENT GRAND FINAL!	14	15 FATHER'S DAY
16	17	18 NATIONAL PICNIC DAY- WHOLE SCHOOL PICNIC!	19	20 SPORTS DAY!	21	22
23 Y5 CASTERTON SCIENCE TRIP!	24	25	26 RESERVE SPORTS DAY!	27	28	29
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Come
HOLY SPIRIT
FILL THE HEARTS OF
YOUR FAITHFUL
AND KINDLE IN THEM A
FIRE
OF YOUR LOVE



*Bishop Patrick invites us all to
WEAR SOMETHING RED
to church this weekend for Pentecost as we
celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit and
the Birth of the Church*

FREE*

MAKE
SPACE



Sunday 8th June 2025
2.00pm - 4.00pm
at Stamford URC Hall
29 Broad Street, PE9 1PJ

Crafternoon

Intergenerational
crafternoon.
Suitable for all,
families welcome,
age 4-99+!

Join us for a Cheer-ful Afternoon of Making!

Get creative with words! Join our Word Art session for the first hour with Sam, to explore decorative hand lettering and design your own powerful posters or positive messages & affirmations.

No experience needed - just come along and give it a go.

After that, enjoy a variety of volunteer-led crafts including pom pom making, map drawing, crochet, card making & water colour painting! There's something for everyone to try, whether you're new to making or just love getting stuck in.



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This is an inclusive event - do let us know in advance if you have any access needs or there are adjustments we can make to help make your participation more enjoyable.

Book your FREE tickets via
Eventbrite via this QR Code or
email community@artpopup.co.uk
for more information



Art Pop-Up

Send parent Coffee & chat

Come down & learn more
About the RORA Project



18th
June
1.30
pm
at



St Augustine's
Catholic Voluntary
Academy

Join Us at St. Augustine's Voluntary Academy

*Enjoy coffee, cake, and a conversation about
all things SEND!**

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