

St. Augustine's

Catholic Voluntary Academy



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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIR OF GOVERNORS

You will be aware we are sad to say farewell to our Headteacher, Tina Cox at the end of this academic year. We appreciate the energy, continuity and vision she brought to St. Augustine's over 4 years and wish her all the best on a continued leadership journey. We will benefit from Mrs Cox's creation of a culture and leadership team which will enable the school to continue to build upon many successes to date and continue to thrive.

You may not be aware that we will also say a sad farewell to our Vice Chair of Governors, Tony Williams. Tony has been a Governor at St Augustine's for 8 years, with many of these years as the Chair of Governors. He worked relentlessly as a Governor to support and challenge the school on a journey of improvement. He navigated the Governing Body through joining a Trust, recruited a new Headteacher, secured a committed group of Governors, a new Chair of Governors and worked to increase the number of pupils on roll.

This year Tony was once again present to provide a context for Ofsted inspectors and St. Augustine's moved from being judged 'Requires Improvement' to 'Good', with 'Outstanding for Early Years Provision'. Tony has a meticulous eye for detail and draws upon his extensive experience as a solicitor to support the Governing Body and School Leadership team. St. Augustine's has reaped the benefit of his diligent and quiet care.

We wish him the very best for a well earned rest from Governance.

Best wishes,

Julie McBrearty

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LET US PRAY

Heavenly Father,
Thank You for our school
community. Help us to
learn with open minds,
grow with kind hearts,
and live in Your love each
day. Guide us in all we
do, and keep us safe in
Your care.

Amen.



WALKING TOGETHER

Life - and school - isn't something we're meant to do alone.
Whether we realise it or not, we're all walking together: classmates,
teachers, families...even when our paths look different.

In our faith, we talk a lot about community. Jesus didn't walk alone;
he called friends to journey with him, and they learned from one
another along the way.

When we listen to each other, help one another, or simply notice
who might be feeling left out, we're living that same spirit of
togetherness.

This week, maybe we can each notice who's walking beside us - at
playtime, in class, or even at home. Are we making space for
everyone on the journey? Are we walking kindly?

Because when we walk together in love, we reflect the
heart of faith - quietly, gently, and powerfully.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Many happy returns to
Tommy in our Year 6 Juniper
Class who celebrates his 11th
birthday today!



We all wish you a super
special day!

SUPERSTAR - RIVER!

River in Acacia Class is fundraising for
The Little Princess Trust with a
sponsored haircut on the 12th July. River
is donating her hair to the trust who use it
to make wigs for children who have lost
their hair to cancer. We are so proud of
her determination and kindness.

If you would like to support River's
wonderful pledge, please click on the
image below to make a donation!



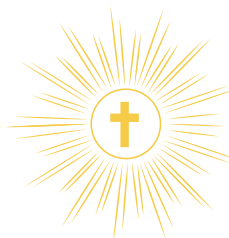
OUR PARISH CHURCH

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.

VIRTUES CERTIFICATES

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

Cedar Class - **Sam** - **Love of Neighbour & Self-Control**

Sycamore Class - **Tobias** - **Hope & Confidence**

Acacia Class - **Evie** - **Love of Learning & Determination**

Willow Class - **Raven** - **Friendship & Kindness**

Juniper Class - the whole class for amazing effort across the year-**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 - **Maisy**

Sycamore Class - **Anastasia**

Acacia Class - **Archie**

Willow Class - **Leo**

Juniper Class - **Oliver**



FAITH IN ACTION

On Monday 7th July, Year 5 invited EYFS to join them for their Faith in Action activity. After much deliberation, Year 5 decided to host a fun-filled scavenger hunt on the school field during which they had to complete activities and collect letters which ultimately helped them to spell out a phrase linked to the Jubilee Year. The phrase was 'Pilgrims of Hope'.

This activity helped us to show our solidarity as one family at Saint Augustine's and allowed some of our youngest and oldest pupils to interact with and help one another. It reminded us that we all have a special part to play and that looking out for each other is always the right thing to do.

Every child got a yummy treat at the end and there were smiles all round!

- *Mrs Wright, Lay Chaplain*



E-SAFETY WITH ALAN MCKENZIE

For Parents - Holiday Conversations

The holiday period is an ideal time for parents to sit down with their children, play their games and use their apps to get to know the endless fun but also the potential risks. Conversations can be difficult, especially if the parent isn't a user of tech, but conversation is the most powerful risk mitigator of all. So where do parents start?

The NSPCC have put together a fabulous page full of information such as:

- Age appropriate conversations taking into consideration different ages.
- Resources such as tips and quizzes.
- An understanding of some of the risks.
- And tackling difficult conversations.

A great one to share with parents and you can find the page [HERE](#).

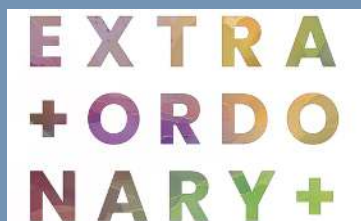


EXTRA-ORDO-NARY 'WORD OF THE WEEK'

Next week's word is 'Gratitude'.

Gratitude is being thankful for what we have. It is about being grateful for the good things in our lives. We have a lot to be grateful for and it is important to take time to appreciate the good things in our lives. Having gratitude helps us to be truly happy and to live a fulfilling life.

Make a special effort to say thank you this week to those people in your community who love and support you.



ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance this week was 94.37%

Our attendance by class is as follows:

Cedar - 95.77%

Sycamore - 92.06%

Acacia - 94.18%

Willow - 95.68%

Juniper - 96.09%

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"



FOSA CINEMA TRIP

On Wednesday, the whole school had a super special treat - FoSA arranged for us all to go to Stamford Arts Centre for a movie afternoon - we all had so much fun!

Huge thanks to our amazing FoSA team for all of their hard work in organising such a wonderful time for us all!



ART POP-UP CHEER CLUB SUMMER PARTY!

On Tuesday, some of our pupils attended the Cheer Club summer party at Uffington Road cricket ground.

Children from Years 5 and 6 enjoyed a barbecue lunch and helped with the racing games for the residents of Meadow View and Tallington nursing homes. They also took part in an obstacle race and joined in with a sing song. A thoroughly enjoyable afternoon was finished off with a delicious ice-cream.

With thanks to Art Pop-Up, Vision Day Support, Mrs Garland, Mrs T and Miss Smalley



A MESSAGE FROM FORMER HEADTEACHER, MR TOM JORDAN

Mr Tom Jordan, former Headteacher at St Augustine's, recently wrote to Mrs Cox with warm wishes as she prepares to leave her role at the end of term:

"Firstly, congratulations on your new post - I'm sure you'll be a tremendous asset to your new school. You have been an inspirational Headteacher, and I know that generations of young people will remember you with great love, respect, and fondness. St Augustine's is a truly special place, and the whole school and church community will miss you dearly. I wish you every success in the next chapter of your career."

Mr Jordan also shared kind words for Mrs Judith Jones, who is retiring this summer after 25 years of dedicated service as a Teaching Assistant:

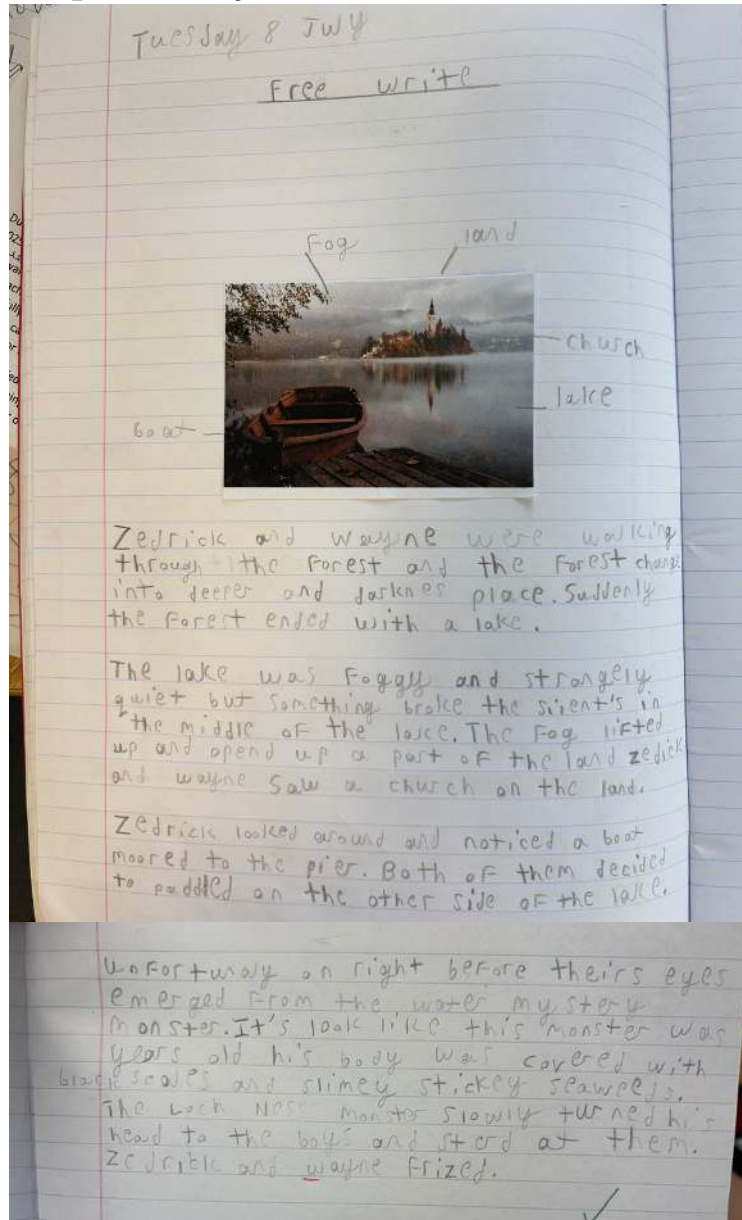
"I also hear that Judith Jones is retiring? A wonderful lady with a great sense of humour. Please pass on our love and best wishes to Judith."



Writer of THE WEEK

Our Writer of the Week is Jake from our Willow Class who has used his wonderful imagination with this superb piece of free writing.

Mrs Kazcmarek is so proud of you, Jake - well done!



JAKE SMALLEY



2025 July

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 WHOLE SCHOOL CINEMA TRIP!	10	11	12	13
14	15 YEAR 6 LEAVERS PLAY	16	17 YEAR 6 LASER FORCE TRIP!	18	19	20
21 Y6 LEAVERS MASS AT SCHOOL 1.30pm	22 LAST DAY OF TERM! Y6 LEAVERS ASSEMBLY 2.00pm COLOUR RUN!	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

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ALWAYS FOLLOW THE WATER SAFETY CODE



Whenever you are around water:

STOP AND THINK

Take time to assess your surroundings.
Look for the dangers and always research local signs and advice.



STAY TOGETHER

When around water always go with friends or family.
Swim at a lifeguarded venue.



In an emergency:

CALL 999

Ask for the Fire and Rescue Service when inland and the Coastguard if at the coast.
Don't enter the water to rescue.



FLOAT

Fall in or become tired - stay calm, float on your back and call for help.
Throw something that floats to somebody that has fallen in.





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OPEN DAY

TUESDAY 16TH SEPT 5PM - 7PM

Rooted!

HOLIDAY CLUB

Gardening, outdoor activities, arts & crafts,
lots of fun, a seed of faith and it's free!

For YR to Y6
9.30-3.30pm

Every WEDNESDAY in AUGUST



Come and join the fun at
Bluecoats Allotment Garden
To book, scan the QR code



Information for parents

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HOLIDAY CLUB

Timings: The holiday club will run from **9.30am to 3.30pm** every **Wednesday in August** from Wed 6th August to Wed 27th August 2025. Early drop off/late pick up is available.

Booking: All children from **YR to Y6** are welcome to join us. We will divide into 3 different groups for activities. Please book in using the **QR code** overleaf, or email laura@christchurchstamford.com for a booking form. The club is **FREE** to attend. Please choose the packed lunch or cooked lunch option on the booking form.

Activities: Most of the activities will be **outside** (unless the weather is terrible!) so all children will need named **water bottles, a sunhat and sunscreen on**. This holiday club is being run by **ChristChurch** so there will be a fun session exploring positive aspects of the Christian faith each day after lunch at the church. If you would like to know more or prefer your child not to participate in this part of the club please do ask or inform us beforehand.

Help needed: We are also looking for parents to join us as volunteers. Please do ask if you're interested! 😊



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