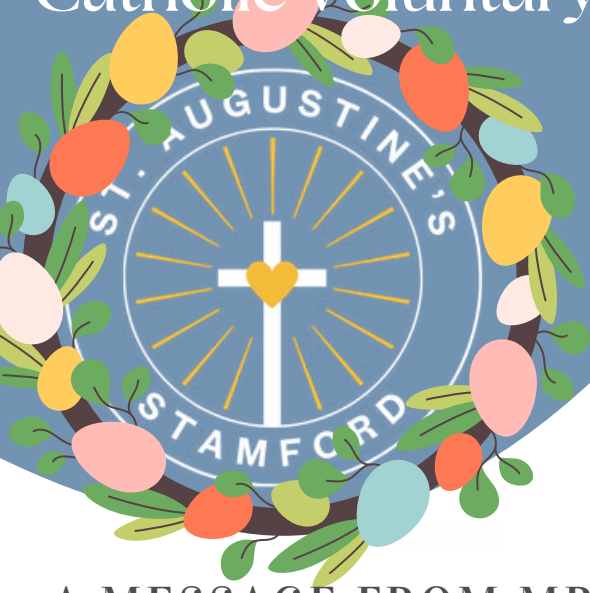


# St. Augustine's Catholic Voluntary Academy



LET ALL THAT YOU DO BE DONE *in love*  
1 CORINTHIANS 16:14



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## A MESSAGE FROM MRS OLIVER

This week has been full of all that Easter brings. Years 3, 4, and 5 began the week with their wonderful production of The Three Trees. I will never look at a tree in the same way again, knowing the significant role trees played in Jesus' life: the manger for His birth, a fishing boat for His ministry, and of course the cross for His death. The children told this story so beautifully through their acting and lovely singing. A big thank you to Mrs Dollin, Mrs Worrick, Mrs Ellis, and Mrs Mason for working so hard to make this show such a success.

On Wednesday, we welcomed the very rare Lirpa Loof bird into school—I can never resist the chance to fool the children when April Fools' Day falls on a school day! The children were also given a sunflower seed for our growing competition, organised by our Green Team. Let's see who can grow the tallest sunflower. Don't forget to post your photos on SeeSaw!

We ended our week with our traditional Easter Egg Hunt—thank you to FOSA for organising this for us. It was lovely to see the children racing around the playground in search of eggs and helping each other to find the missing ones.

As we come to the end of this Lent term, I would like to say a huge thank you to all the families who have shown me such support during my first term as Head. In my 34 years as a teacher, becoming a Headteacher was never my life's goal, but sometimes God calls you to step out of your comfort zone to serve Him. I was reminded by a close friend of the verse from the Book of Esther, where she is called 'for such a time as this'. Esther was asked to put aside her own interests for a greater purpose. When the Trust approached me, I had no hesitation, knowing that we have a strong team of dedicated staff and wonderful children who are eager and ready to learn.

And so, for now, and just for a short while, I shall sign off.

I wish you all a well-deserved break—enjoy this special time with your families this Easter. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Tuesday 21st April.

May God bless you all

*Mrs Oliver*



## LET US PRAY

How wonderful, Lord Jesus, you came back  
You suffered death but conquered it  
You laid in the tomb but on the third day  
You rose again  
O joyful day, Lord Jesus, when you returned  
You are the resurrection, our hope and our life  
O glorious and victorious Redeemer  
Help us not to be afraid of death  
For we must pass through it to see you face to face  
And on the last day we will rise again  
For you said so  
Let us rejoice and praise you  
Our Blessed and triumphant Lord  
On this happy, joyful feast.  
Amen.



Diana Ng/CAFOD

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy birthday to Ripley, who is 8 tomorrow!

Rupert is 10 tomorrow - happy birthday!

Happy birthday to Jake, who turns 11 on Wednesday, and to Toby who will be 11 on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>!

HAPPY

BIRTHDAY

Many happy returns to you all from everyone at St. Augustine's! We hope that you all have a super time celebrating!

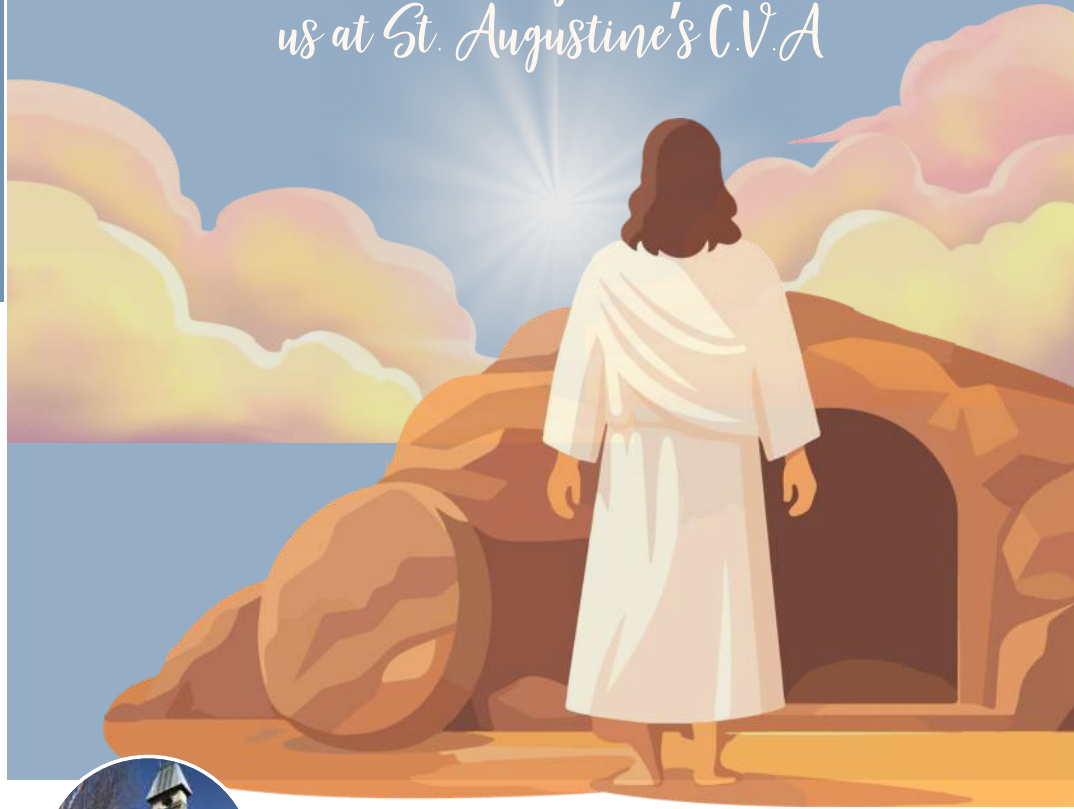
## INSET DAY!

A reminder that school is closed on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April for Inset Day - we look forward to welcoming you all back on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April!

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# He is RISEN

Easter Blessings from all of us at St. Augustine's C.V.A



## OUR PARISH CHURCH

The Children's Liturgy takes place at the 9:00am Mass at our parish church, St. Mary and St. Augustine on Broad Street, Stamford.

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 Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest, by Rutland Water (formerly the Catholic Parish of Stamford, Saint Mary and Saint Augustine).

## ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, OAKHAM - HOLY MASS LIVE STREAM

For those who are unable to get to Mass in person, for one reason or another, you can now watch all Holy Masses and other services and liturgies online from St Joseph's from your home computer or mobile device. View Mass schedules and connect to the live stream [here](#) while St. Joseph's church is celebrating Holy Mass or other services are being held.

If you'd like to follow and respond in the Mass but are unsure of the words, download this PDF '[Order of Mass](#)' document which contains all of the responses.



## BOURNE & DEEPING R.C. PARISH

Please [click here](#) to read weekly newsletters from our friends at the Bourne and Deeping Roman Catholic Parish.



# HOLY WEEK & EASTER

AT ST. MARY & ST. AUGUSTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH, BROAD STREET, STAMFORD

Holy Week is a time to reflect on the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Remembering Jesus' actions, reflecting on his messages and recommitting to living as his disciples in the world today.

We hope this schedule helps you plan to observe these important days, both on your own and with others. May you have a blessed Holy Week and Easter.

## Holy Thursday, 2nd April, 2026

7:00pm - The Mass of the Lord's Supper

## Good Friday, 3rd April, 2026

3:00pm - Passion of Our Lord

7:00pm - Stations of the Cross

## Holy Saturday, 4th April 2026

8:00pm - Vigil Mass

## Easter Sunday, 5th April, 2026

9:00am - Holy Mass

11:00am - Holy Mass



*'We adore you, O Lord Jesus Christ, in this church and all the churches of the world, and we bless you, because by your holy Cross you have redeemed the world. Amen'*  
- St. Frances of Assisi

## THE THREE TREES PRODUCTION!

The story of The Three Trees was brought to life on Tuesday afternoon as our Year 3, 4 and 5 children put on a spectacular show for their families.

The children were outstanding during the whole process of rehearsals, the dress rehearsal and of course, the main performance.

We overheard lots of lovely reviews from parents after the show, and special guests at the dress rehearsal said that the production was 'quite fantastic'.

Well done to all of the children in the show - you showed real commitment and worked so hard - we hope you're as proud of yourselves as we are of you!

Special thanks to Mrs Dollin for producing such a fabulous and memorable show, and to Mrs Worrick, Mrs Ellis and Mrs Mason for helping the children through the rehearsals, and for all of their hard work behind the scenes.



## SAFEGUARDING

If you have any concerns about a child, or if you need help and support, please don't hesitate to contact our Safeguarding team:

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Worrick

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Oliver

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Taylor

The Safeguarding team can be contacted on 01780 762094 or by email: [enquiries@st-augustine.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@st-augustine.lincs.sch.uk)

If you believe that a child or adult may be a victim of neglect, abuse or cruelty, you can also contact the Lincolnshire County Council Safeguarding Team:

- Children's safeguarding - 01522 782111 (Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm)
- Adults safeguarding - 01522 782155 (Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm) or 01522 782333 (outside office hours)



## ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance this week was 88.89%\*

Our attendance by class is as follows:

**Olive** - 81.82%

**Sycamore** - 91.07%

**Acacia** - 96.75%

**Juniper** - 86.38%

\*Based on a four day school week due to Good Friday.

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](#),



## THE MARK 10 MISSION - PALM SUNDAY

I hope you are having a blessed Holy Week and are looking forward to the Easter Triduum! In anticipation for the celebration of Easter, I'm sharing the links to our new videos.

Below you will find The [Mark 10 Mission video](#), created for children 8 and over, and also the [Little Liturgies](#), designed for children under 8. Both videos share the Easter Sunday Gospel and welcome children into the great joy of Easter. I hope these videos help you and the children that you serve to encounter the Risen Jesus!

## THE MARK 10 Mission

Click on the images below to watch the videos.



## THANK YOU, FOSA!

The FOSA team have been working for the Easter Bunny today!

The Easter Bunny gave FOSA a very special mission - to hide an Easter egg for every single one of our St. Augustine's children across the field and playgrounds. Determined not to let the Easter Bunny down, the FOSA team and Mrs Donington set to work with great enthusiasm, carefully hiding each egg ready for the children to discover.

Thanks to their hard work (and a little bit of Easter magic!), every child was able to take part in the fun and enjoy a well-earned treat. The excitement and smiles around the school were truly lovely to see.

We would like to say a big thank you to FOSA for their time, energy and continued support. We are incredibly grateful for all that you do to make these special moments happen for our children.



# Thank you...& Farewell!

This week, we say a fond farewell to River from Acacia Class, who will be leaving St. Augustine's as her family prepares for an exciting move away from Stamford. River has been a truly valued member of our school community; always smiling, kind, and full of positivity. She brings joy to those around her, and we know she will be a wonderful addition to her new school. She will be greatly missed by both staff and pupils alike.

We would also like to take this opportunity to extend our heartfelt thanks to River's mum, Lara. Lara has been a dedicated member of our school community for many years, with both River and her older brother Riley having attended St. Augustine's. During this time, Lara has played an important role within the Friends of St. Augustine's (FOSA), contributing her time, energy, and generosity in so many ways.

In particular, we would like to recognise Lara's kindness over the years, this one included, in personally donating the Easter eggs for our FOSA Easter Egg Hunt. Thanks to her generosity, every child was able to take home an Easter egg - a gesture that truly reflects her care and commitment to our school community.

Lara has made a lasting and meaningful difference to life at St. Augustine's, and we are incredibly grateful for everything she has done.

We wish River, Lara, and their family all the very best for their move and this exciting new chapter. They will be very much missed.





# 2026 April



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
30 Mar	31 Mar	1	2 -Holy Thursday -FOSA Egg Hunt! -Last day of term!	3 -Good Friday -Easter Holiday	4	5 -Easter Sunday
6 -Easter Monday -Easter Holiday	7 -Easter Holiday	8 -Easter Holiday	9 -Easter Holiday	10 -Easter Holiday	11	12
13 -Easter Holiday	14 -Easter Holiday	15 -Easter Holiday	16 -Easter Holiday	17 -Easter Holiday	18	19
20 -Inset Day	21 -Back to school!	22 -Earth Day 	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

## Stamford Children's Centre

AM/ PM	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
AM	Pop in and Play 0-5 years with siblings up to 8 years 9.30am - 11am		Time to Play 9:30am - 11:30am For further information or to book a place please email: <a href="mailto:cwdlincolnshire@eyalliance.org.uk">cwdlincolnshire@eyalliance.org.uk</a>	Lincolnshire Breastfeeding Group 9:30am - 11am	Little Explorers 0-5 years 10am - 11am	
PM	Stay and Play Under 1s 1pm - 2pm	Stay and Play under 1s 1pm - 2pm *7th April only		Pop in and Play 0-5 years with siblings up to 8 years 1pm - 2.30pm	Pop in and Play 0-5 years with siblings up to 8 years 1pm - 2.30pm	

Please scan the QR code to get the most up to date timetable information and to find out more about your local children's centre





# PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) EASTER HOLIDAYS 2026

[moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free](https://moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free)



## **ANGUS STEAKHOUSE**

Kids under 8 eat FREE daily, 12pm to 5pm

## **ASDA**

Kids eat for £1 daily, with no adult spend

## **ASK ITALIAN**

2 Kids eat free from 27th March - 19th April 2026

## **BELLA ITALIA**

Children eat free Sunday - Thursday

## **BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE**

2 Kids Eat Free Breakfast with one paying adult

## **BILLS**

Kids eat free Mon 30th March - Fri 10th April

## **BREWDOG**

Kids eat free 28th March - 12th April 2026

## **CAFE ROUGE**

Kids Eat FREE 12-4pm every day of the week

## **COCONUT TREE**

Kids eat free Mon 30th March - Sun 19th April

## **CHIQUITO**

Kids eat free during all school holidays

## **DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRES**

Kids eat for £1 with an adult breakfast or lunch

## **FARMHOUSE INNS**

Kids eat FREE weekdays 30th March - 17th April

## **FRANKIE & BENNY'S**

Kids eat FREE daily from 30th March - 17th April

## **FUTURE INNS**

Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal

## **GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS**

Kids under 10 eat FREE all day, every day

## **IKEA**

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

## **LAS IGUANAS**

Kids under 12 eat FREE with 'My Las Iguanas' App

## **MORRISONS**

Kids Eat FREE all day, every day with a £5 spend

## **MARCO PIERRE WHITE**

Kids under 12 Eat FREE daily with an adult spend

## **PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM**

Kids eat FREE with every £4 spend all day

## **PIZZA HUT**

Kids Eat Free Every Day after 3pm

## **PREMIER INN**

2 kids eat for free with 1 adult breakfast

## **PRETO**

Kids up to age 10 eat free with 1 paying adult

## **PUREZZA**

Kids under 10 get free pizza with every adult meal

## **SA BRAINS PUBS**

Kids eat for £1 on Wednesdays

## **SUBWAY**

Kids eat Free from the 6th - 13th April

## **SIZZLING PUBS**

Kids eat for £1, Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm

## **TABLE TABLE**

2 Kids Eat free breakfast daily with 1 paying adult

## **TGI FRIDAYS**

Kids Eat Free with any adult meal (Via App)

## **THE REAL GREEK**

Kids under 12 eat FREE Sundays with £10 spend

## **TRAVELODGE**

2 kids eat for free with 1 adult breakfast

## **TURTLE BAY**

Kids eat free with every £15 adult spend

## **WHITBREAD INNS**

2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast

## **YO! SUSHI**

Kids eat free all day (weekdays) in school holidays



**STAMFORD  
GYMNASTICS  
CLUB**

# Spaces Available April 2026



**TIME TABLE**

4-6 years - Monday -Thursday 4pm,  
Friday 4pm and 5pm, Saturday 9am

7-9 years - Monday - Thursday 5pm,  
Friday 6pm, Saturday 10am

10-12 years - Wednesday 6pm and  
Saturday 11am

TEEN 13+ - Thursday 6pm



Please contact us on

[stamfordgymnasticsclub@gmail.com](mailto:stamfordgymnasticsclub@gmail.com) to book your  
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## Tennis Easter Camps

**TUESDAY 7TH APRIL – THURSDAY 9TH APRIL**

MINI RED (AGES 4-8)  
10:00AM-12:00PM

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12:30PM-2:30PM

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# COUNTRYSIDE LINCS

**SUNDAY 19TH APRIL 2026**

**10AM - 4PM**

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