

St. Augustine's Catholic Voluntary Academy



LET ALL THAT YOU DO BE DONE *in love*
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A MESSAGE FROM OUR HEADTEACHER, MRS OLIVER

As we reach the end of another academic year, it is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on all that we have achieved together. Our children have grown so much this year—physically, emotionally and academically—and they should all be incredibly proud of their achievements. Today, you will receive your child's end-of-year report from their class teacher, celebrating the progress they have made throughout the year.

Next week, we will say a final farewell to our Year 6 pupils. It is hard to believe how quickly the year has flown by. Last weekend, many of them attended our PGL residential, where they challenged themselves to step outside their comfort zones by climbing, canoeing and working together to build rafts. I was particularly proud of the kindness and respect they showed towards one another throughout the weekend. The PGL team leaders commented on how polite, courteous and supportive they were, which was wonderful to hear. My sincere thanks go to Mrs Worrick and Mrs Ellis for giving up their weekend to ensure our young people could enjoy such a memorable experience.

Last night, our Year 6 pupils performed their leavers' production, *Café Shake*, to an audience of family and friends. There was plenty of laughter, alongside a few tears, as the children entertained everyone with their fantastic performance. The play followed William Shakespeare as he reflected on the many plays he had written, before the cast explored what life might be like without modern technology. It was a truly outstanding performance, and I am incredibly proud of every child who took part.

On Wednesday, school closes for the summer holidays. It is a time to reflect on the year that has passed, celebrate all that has been achieved, and enjoy a well-earned rest before returning refreshed and ready for the exciting year ahead.

Thank you to all of our pupils, families and staff for your continued support throughout the year. I wish you all a safe, happy and relaxing summer break.

As we begin our summer holidays, let us take time to thank God for the many blessings He has given us throughout this school year: the friendships we have made, the challenges we have overcome and the joy we have shared as a school family. May we continue to be guided by Christ in all that we do, showing kindness, compassion and hope wherever we go. We keep our Year 6 pupils especially in our prayers as they prepare for the next stage of their journey, trusting that God will walk beside them every step of the way.

"The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace." **Numbers 6:24–26**

May God bless you all, and may you enjoy a peaceful, restful and joy-filled summer with your families.

Mrs Oliver



LET US PRAY

Loving God,

Thank You for every day of this school year, for all we have learnt, the friendships we have made and the love we have shared.

Thank You for being with us through the happy moments and the difficult ones.

As we begin our summer holidays, keep us safe wherever we go. Help us to rest well, care for one another and enjoy the beauty of Your creation.

Bless those who are moving on to new schools and new beginnings, and fill them with courage and hope. Bring us back together refreshed, ready to learn, grow and continue walking in Your love.

Amen



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

It's an Acacia Class hat-trick this week! Evie celebrates her 9th birthday tomorrow, Logan is 9 on Tuesday, and Finley is 9 on Wednesday!

Many happy returns to all of our St. A's children who have a birthday to celebrate during the summer holiday!



We wish you all a very happy birthday and a super time celebrating your special day!

READ TO THE BEAT!

This year, The Reading Agency Summer Reading Challenge returns with an exciting new theme: Read to the Beat. Designed to inspire creativity and imagination, the challenge encourages children to explore the powerful connection between stories and song discovering how reading and music can work together to bring ideas to life.

Children can take part either online or at their local library, setting their own personal reading goals as they go, unlocking exclusive online badges and receiving certificates as they reach each milestone.



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THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

As another school year draws to a close here at St. Augustine's, we have a great opportunity to pause and give thanks for all that we have shared together. We have celebrated successes, faced challenges, learnt new things and grown not only in knowledge but also in kindness, friendship and faith.

Throughout this year, we have so proud to see our St. Augustine's children showing compassion to one another, families supporting our school community, and staff encouraging every child to become the person they are called to be. These everyday acts of love reflect the faith at the very heart of our school.

As we prepare for the summer holidays, we also remember that the values of faith do not take a break. Whether we are travelling, spending time with family, enjoying the outdoors or simply taking it easy at home, we can carry those values with us wherever we go. Summer helps us to notice the beauty of creation, and this is our chance to make some more happy memories with our families and return refreshed in September for a new beginning.

We also keep in our thoughts those who are moving on to new schools or new adventures, and the children joining us in EYFS in September. While change can sometimes feel exciting and sometimes a little daunting, we can take comfort in knowing that each one of us has a purpose and a path to follow, and that faith can guide our steps along the way.

As a school family, let us give thanks for the blessings of our year together and look ahead with **hope and confidence**. May the summer holidays be filled with joy, peace, laughter and moments to recognise the goodness and beauty in the world around us.



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.



Summer
is here

VIRTUE CERTIFICATES!



Olive Class - Austin - Love of Neighbour & Self-Control

Sycamore Class - Elliot - Love of Learning & Determination

Acacia Class - Teddie - Hope & Confidence

Juniper Class Year 5 - Zachary - Love of Learning & Determination

Juniper Class Year 6 - The Whole Class! - Hope & Confidence



Well done to all of this week's virtue certificate winners!



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 Oliver

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Worrick

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Taylor

The Safeguarding team can be contacted on 01780 762094 or by email: 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)



E-SAFETY WITH ALAN MACKENZIE

Roblox - Major Update to In-Game Reporting Tools

Roblox, the most popular game in the world, has been making some pretty big changes over the last few months. Midway through June they announced their new age-based Kids and Select accounts where children are being automatically placed into more specific age categories. Then, over the last few days, Roblox has announced big new changes to in-game reporting tools.

Users have always been able to report within Roblox, but it can often be quite complex finding a specific category, which is why some children don't bother reporting at all. But Roblox have now stated that this process has been simplified so that questions are automatically adapted based on the type of report, skipping any irrelevant question and making the reporting process much better.

[Link: Roblox - major update to in-game reporting tools.](#)

Online Safety Weekly Update

Alan Mackenzie
Online Safety Specialist



YEAR 5 & 6 JUNIPER CLASS - PGL TRIP!

Last Friday, 22 of our Year 5 and Year 6 Juniper Class children set off for PGL at Caythorpe, accompanied by Mrs Oliver, Mrs Ellis and Mrs Worrick.

"What a weekend! When we arrived, we had dinner and were shown to our chalets, and then we had our first activity, tag archery. We were all in bed by 10.30pm ahead of an very early 6.45am start on Saturday morning for our 7.30am breakfast, which set us up for a very busy day of exploring the sensory trail, trapeze, fencing, vertical challenge, and an orienteering challenge called 'Passport to the World'. Dinner was at 5.30pm, and then we all freshened up and got into our pj's to watch the England match!"

On Sunday morning we got ready for our second day of activities; raft building, Bushcraft skills, canoeing and archery. We had dinner together before being collected for home. We were all exhausted but happy after such a fun time together and lots of great memories."

- Mrs Ellis & Mrs Worrick



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.

**EXTRA
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NARY+**

ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance this week was 87.86%

Our attendance by class is as follows:

Olive - 88.2%

Sycamore - 90.28%

Acacia - 93.65%

Juniper - 82.83%

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](https://www.gov.uk).

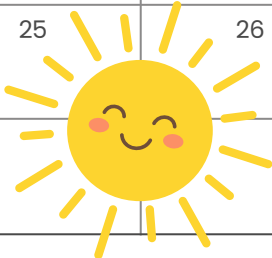
**MOMENTS
MATTER.
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

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





2026 July

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		1 -SPORTS DAY!	2 -F.O.S.A. NON-UNIFORM DAY!	3 -FOSA SUMMER FAYRE! 3.15PM-5PM	4	5
6 -NEW CLASSROOM TRANSITION 2PM-3PM	7	8 -FOSA DISCO! 3.15PM-4.30PM 	9	10 -YEAR 5 & 6 PGL TRIP	11 -YEAR 5 & 6 PGL TRIP	12 -YEAR 5 & 6 PGL TRIP
13 -STORY TIME WITH MY NEW TEACHER!	14	15	16 -YEAR 6 LEAVER'S PLAY 6.00PM 	17 -YEAR 6 LEAVER'S MASS 1.30PM	18	19
20 -NEW CLASSROOM TRANSITION AFTERNOON -MEET YOUR CHILD'S NEW TEACHER: 3.15PM-3.45PM	21 -YEAR 6 BRAMBLE PATCH 1PM-3PM	22 -LAST DAY OF TERM! -LEAVER'S GOODBYE ASSEMBLY: 2.30PM -FOSA COLOUR RUN 3.25PM START	23 -SUMMER HOLIDAYS!	24 -SUMMER HOLIDAYS!	25 	26
27 -SUMMER HOLIDAYS!	28 -SUMMER HOLIDAYS!	29 -SUMMER HOLIDAYS!	30 -SUMMER HOLIDAYS!	31 -SUMMER HOLIDAYS!		

THANK YOU, FOSA!

We would like to say a huge thank you to our incredible FoSA team.

Your time, energy, enthusiasm and support have made such a positive difference to our school. From the wonderful Christmas and Summer Fayres, to the Mother's Day and Father's Day events, non-uniform days, and now the exciting Colour Run to celebrate the end of term on Wednesday, you have worked so hard to create memorable experiences for our children and families.

Every event, big or small, is only possible because of the many hours you give behind the scenes. Your commitment not only helps raise valuable funds for our school but also creates much excitement and happiness for the children.

We are incredibly grateful for everything you do. On behalf of all of our staff, children and families, thank you for everything you have done this year.




FREE ENTRY

22ND JULY

Celebrate the end of term in colour!

FoSA's End of Year Treat for All.

ALL YOU NEED IS A LIGHT COLOUR T-SHIRT TO CHANGE INTO – we've got the rest covered!

- Children must be supervised by parent/guardian (not school staff) after dismissal.
- Protective eyewear will be provided as a gift from FoSA.
- Run to start at 3:25pm.

GOODBYE, YEAR 6 - CLASS OF 2026

As another school year comes to an end, we find ourselves saying goodbye to our wonderful Year 6 children. It's a moment filled with mixed emotions; we're so proud of everything they have achieved, yet it's never easy to see such a special group leave our St. Augustine's family.

Each and every one of them has brought something unique to our school. Their kindness, humour, determination and personalities have helped to shape our school family, and they have been great role models for our younger children.

While many of our Year 6 children have been with us since their very first days in Early Years, we've also been lucky enough to welcome several children who joined us along the way. It has been a privilege to watch them become such an important part of our school family, and we are so grateful that they are finishing their primary school journey here at St. Augustine's, surrounded by the friends and memories they have made.

As they take their next steps, some will continue their journey together, while others will make new friendships and begin exciting new adventures. Wherever they go, we know they will carry with them the values, confidence and compassion that have made them such a wonderful year group.

To all of our Year 6 Juniper children, thank you for the laughter, the memories and the many ways you have made us proud. We wish you every happiness and success as you begin this exciting new chapter. Believe in yourselves, embrace every opportunity, and never forget that you will *always* be a part of the St. Augustine's family.

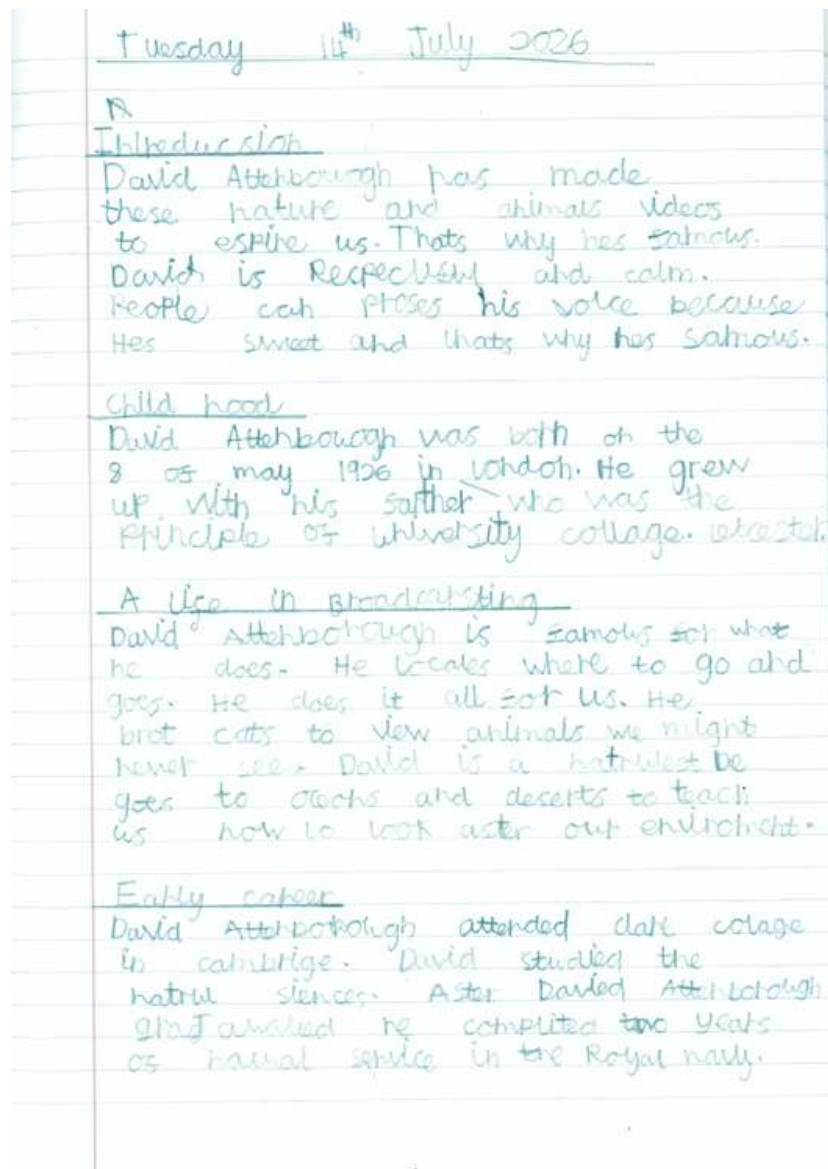
As you leave us, we hope you will carry our school motto with you wherever life takes you: **'Let all that you do be done in love.'** May it guide your choices, your friendships and your futures. Don't forget to come back and tell us all about the amazing things you go on to achieve.



Writer of THE WEEK

Our Writer of the Week is Althea from our Juniper Class who has used her amazing imagination with this superb piece of writing about David Attenborough.

Mrs Worrick and Mrs Ellis are so proud of you, Althea - well done!



ALTHEA PENFOLD

Artist of THE WEEK

Our Artist of the Week is Molly from Acacia Class!

Acacia Class were exploring the stories that we can imagine when we listen to certain pieces of music - they then wrote a story and created a piece of art to represent their own interpretation of the music.

Beautiful work, Molly - well done! Mrs Dollin and Mrs Mason are very proud of you.

Once upon a time, on a cold, dark night a little girl entered the forest with a golden, majestic boot. Walking deeper she felt little people were watching her from the shadows. Suddenly she felt movement ahead she froze it was coming closer. Petrified she she was petrified. Creatures loomed at in surrounding her in the dark. The little girl grasped her boot tightly and finally started playing. The song was new and calm to all. The animals started to creep back into the shadows. The little girl kept playing while she was running to the exit. The creatures unseen. The End.



MOLLY PARSONS

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 every day until Sept 6th 2026

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat free Sunday - Thursday

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

2 Kids Eat Free Breakfast with 1 paying adult

BILLS

Kids Eat Free weekdays until September 1st 2026

BREWDOG

1 Kid eats free with 1 adult, 19th July - 31st August

CAFE ROUGE

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

CHIKQUITO

Kids eat free during all school holidays

COCONUT TREE

Kids eat free Mon 13th July - Sun 6th Sept

DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRES

Kids eat for £1 with an adult meal purchase

FARMHOUSE INNS

2 Kids eat FREE this summer holidays

FLAMING GRILL PUBS

Kids eat for FREE this summer holidays

FRANKIE & BENNY'S

Kids eat FREE during school holidays

FRANCO MANCIA

Kids eat FREE school holidays Mon-Thurs

FUTURE INNS

Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 10 eat FREE all day, every day

HARVESTER

Kids eat for £1 every day until Sept 1st 2026

HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for 88p this summer holidays

IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

LAS IGUANAS

Kids under 12 eat FREE via the App

MARCO PIERRE WHITE

Kids under 12 Eat FREE daily with an adult spend

MORRISONS

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

PREZZO

Kids up to age 12 eat for £1 during half terms

PUREZZA

Kids under 10 get free pizza with every adult meal

SA BRAINS PUBS

Kids eat for £1 on Wednesdays

SIZZLING PUBS

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

TABLE TABLE

2 Kids Eat free breakfast daily with 1 paying adult

TESCO

Kids eat free every day this summer with a 65p spend

TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free until 6th September (Via App)

THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE Sundays with £10 spend

TRAVELodge

2 kids eat for £1 with 1 adult breakfast

TOBY CARVERY

Kids eat for £1 every day until Sept 1st 2026

TURTLE BAY

Kids eat free with every £15 adult spend via app

VILLAGE HOTELS

Kids eat free 20th July - 4th Sept via the village app

WHITBREAD INNS

2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast

YO! SUSHI

Kids eat free all day (weekdays) in school holidays

ZIZZI

Kids eat free via app during school holidays

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Click on a section below for more details!

SUMMER Savings

Find your family's summer offer

The government is cutting VAT from 20% to 5% on family days out — from cinema and theatre tickets to attractions, and children's meals out. Less to pay, more summer to enjoy.

25 June – 1 September 2026, right across the UK



Real savings on days out

A 15-percentage-point VAT cut on eligible tickets and meals, passed on at the till. Ten weeks of school holidays to make the most of summer.



Cinemas, attractions & meals

Family and children's tickets for shows and attractions, plus kids' meals eaten out, wherever you are in the UK.



Free bus travel for kids

For the whole month of August, kids age 15 and under in England will get free bus travel, supporting families to choose public transport.

We're taking action to help with the cost of living.

We know that families across the country are feeling the impact of the cost of living – it's the number one issue impacting working people. It's why we're taking action to reduce everyday costs. Find out more at our [Cost of Living page](#)

Free and low-cost things to do this summer

Alongside the new savings measures, there's a range of free activities available to families across England, from museums and parks to holiday food programmes and reading clubs.

- **Free museums and galleries** – some venues across England offer free entry all year, with special summer programmes for children. [Find museums near you](#)
- **Summer Reading Challenge** – free at your local library for children aged 4–11. [Find your nearest library](#)
- **Holiday Activities and Food programme** – free holiday activities with meals for children on free school meals. [Find a place near you](#)
- **Parks, nature and the outdoors** – national parks, beaches and local green spaces with free ranger-led events. [Browse outdoor activities](#)



Join us for the

Ark Foundry Charity Event And Open Day

AUGUST | 1ST | 9:30-12:00

AT THE ARK FOUNDRY ROAD NURSERY

Raffles,
Crafting stations,
bake sales,
guess how many sweets in a jar,
and more!

to let us know if you would like to attend email:
arkfoundry@storal.com
(Last slots for open day is 11:30)

Postcode: PE9 2PP

TRAVELLING BRICKS

AN AWESOME SUMMER IS YOURS TO BUILD.

18TH JULY -
29TH AUGUST 2026

Step into a world of imagination at Travelling Bricks, a spectacular exhibition built from over 1 million LEGO® bricks, arriving at Peterborough Cathedral this Summer.

PLUS! Huge interactive building space and Giant Soft Bricks Playland.

For full details and to book tickets please visit:
www.peterborough-cathedral.org.uk



PETERBOROUGH CATHEDRAL

BURGHLEY HOUSE



Cecil's Summer of Discovery

Make your next day out a summer adventure at Burghley, with Cecil's Summer of Discovery.

From uncovering the secrets of the Gardens and getting creative outdoors to enjoying interactive storytelling and family tours of the House, Cecil's Summer of Discovery is packed with adventure, imagination and memorable experiences for visitors of all ages, with each week offering new activities, exciting ways to explore the House and Gardens, and lots of creative fun.

Sunhat on, explorer's kit packed - a burrow-full of fun, games and hidden discoveries await!



Ticket Information

Included with Admission or Annual Pass

Book Admission Tickets

Dates	Times	Summer Savings Tickets
1 August - 25 August	10am - 5pm	From Adult £9.65, Child £7.44

Additional Information

Tickets: Admission to Cecil's Summer of Discovery is included with any Admission Ticket purchased or a valid Annual Pass. If you'd like your visit to include activities in the House, as outlined above, please ensure you've booked admission for the House, Gardens and Adventure Play.

Summer Savings: Reduced admission prices on all day tickets from 25 June to 1 September as part of the Government's Great British Summer Savings Scheme. Price reduction automatically applied.

PLAYERS WANTED



**STAMFORD AFC THE YOUNG DANIELS ARE
LOOKING FOR ADDITIONAL PLAYERS TO JOIN
OUR U12 RED TEAM FOR THE 2026-27 SEASON
(CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR 6)**

**WE WILL BE PLAYING IN THE
PETERBOROUGH U12 LEAGUE**

PLEASE CONTACT PAUL ON 07538231117

Rooted!

HOLIDAY SESSIONS

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

**YR to Y6
From 10-11.30am**

Every SUNDAY 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 sessions will run from **10am to 11.30am** the **first four Sunday mornings in August** that is Sunday 2nd August to Sunday 23rd August 2026.

Booking: Children from **YR to Y6** are welcome to join us. Children **under 5** are welcome to attend but must have a parent stay with them. Please book in using the **QR code** overleaf, or email laura@christchurchstamford.com for a booking form. The club is **FREE** to attend.

Drop-off and Collection: Please drop children off at the Bluecoats school garden (behind the Children's centre, enter via the road entrance to the left of Costcutter) and collect from Christchurch, opposite Bluecoats school.

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**. These holiday sessions are being run by **ChristChurch** so there will be aspects of the Christian story taught as part of the club.

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

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

