

St. Augustine's Catholic Primary School

We try to follow Jesus by loving each other and caring for God's world.

NEWSLETTER ~ 5th January 2024



"The wise men knelt down and worshipped Jesus. They opened their treasure and offered him gifts—gold, frankincense and myrrh."

Matthew 2: 1-12 ~ The Feast of the Epiphany

Happy Christmas and Welcome Back!

Despite the bleak weather, we have been so pleased to see our children and families back after the holidays.

We start our new Spring Term focussing on the Catholic Social Teaching theme: **Stewardship**, that links to our learning attitude: **Responsibility**. We are guardians of God's creation, living sustainably and enhancing the wellbeing of our planet. Stewardship is all about caring for the many gifts that God has given to us.

1. What **RESPONSIBILITIES** do you have in your family home?
2. What jobs can you do to help care for God's creation?
3. Can you think of any threats that damage our wonderful world?



KS2 Teaching Changes for Spring Term 2024

New teaching arrangements for the KS2 classes from 4th January 2024.

Wilson ~ Miss Costello (LKS2 Phase Lead)

Rauf ~ Mr Wicks (full time supply cover for the Spring Term)

Zephaniah ~ Ms Porter (full time supply cover for the Spring Term)

Heart of Gold Award

The 'Heart of Gold' Award acknowledges the outstanding kindness and thoughtfulness of our children.

This week the award goes to:
Tad ~ Y4 Morpurgo



Wednesday Word ~ GUIDANCE

Please see the link for this week's edition of the Wednesday Word below.

[Christmas Holiday Special - Magazine - Page 1 \(paperturn-view.com\)](#)



The Sunday Gospel through School on Wednesday



St John the Baptist



Catholic Multi Academy Trust



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St. Augustine's News

KS1 Fire engine visit! ~ Thursday 4th January 2024

This week KS1 have had a very exciting visit from a fire engine! We are learning about the Great Fire of London this term and this has helped kick off the topic in an exciting and memorable way. The children got to talk to the firemen, look inside the fire engine, see different tools that are used and even have a go at using the hose!

Even the teachers got involved!



Baptist Carols ~ Monday 18th December 2023

Some photos of the choir singing for the Baptist Church in the last week of last term.



St. Augustine's Notices

St Martins Housing Trust Donations

Traditionally after each Christmas Performance we do a collection for a chosen charity. This year, the charity we have chosen is **St. Martin's Housing Trust for the Homeless**. Thank you for all your support and generosity at this time of year.

So far, we have raised **£184.78**

Any last minute donations can be added via Wise Pay. You will see on the "Home Page" or under the tab called "General Payments" where to make your donation.



The Big Ambition

You may be aware of the Children's Commissioner for England—Dame Rachel Da Souza's national campaign, 'The Big Ambition'. Children or parents can complete the survey here: www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigambition

It is really important that the pupils at St Augustine's have participated in The Big Ambition survey and had their say. We want to ensure that the voices of the children in Norfolk are fairly represented in the findings, so please share their views with the most senior members of the country.

This survey is for all children aged 0-18, parents, carers / other adults can complete on behalf of children who are under 6 or for children who need extra assistance. Further resources are available on the [website](#) and a leaflet is attached with this newsletter.

KS1 and KS2 After School Clubs Spring First Half Term 2024

After School Clubs for the Spring Term are now on WisePay. If your child attends a club already you will still need to sign them up and rebook as they are only open for each half term.

KS1 and KS2: PE Kits should be brought to school at the start of the day, so the children can change before the club starts. Children will need to be collected from the Lower Playground at 4:15pm
All clubs run from 3:15pm until 4:15pm.

Monday	Art Club	Reception, KS1 and KS2
Tuesday	Dodgeball	
Wednesday	Basketball	
Thursday	Football / KS1&2 African Drumming	
Friday	Football / Homework Club	



Our Lady and St. Walstan's Roman Catholic Church

Find information about Our Lady and St. Walstan's Catholic church via this website link—[click here](#)
And keep up with events via their weekly newsletter—[click here](#)
Mass times and services—[click here](#)

For more information contact—**Parish Priest: Fr. David Ward**

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Dates



2023 / 2024	School Closes (Last day children attend school)	School Opens (First day children come back)
Spring Half Term 2024	Friday 16th February 2024	Monday 26th February 2024
Easter Holidays 2024	Wednesday 27th March 2024 School finishes at 1:30pm	Monday 15th April 2024
May Bank Holiday	Monday 6th May 2024	Tuesday 7th May 2024
Summer Half Term 2024	Friday 24th May 2024	Monday 3rd June 2024
Summer Holidays 2024	Friday 19th July 2024 School finishes at 1:30pm	- - -

Event	Date
Reception Visit Vision and Hearing Screening	Monday 12th February 2024 ***CHANGED DATE***
Reception Visit Vision and Hearing Screening	Tuesday 13th February 2024 ***CHANGED DATE***
Shrove Tuesday	Tuesday 13th February 2024
Ash Wednesday (Day of Fasting and Abstinence)	Wednesday 14th February 2024
Year 6 SATs Week	Monday 13th May 2024
Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check Week 1	Monday 3rd June 2024
Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Week	Monday 10th June 2024
Year 4 Multiplications Tables Check Week 2	Monday 10th June 2024
School Class Photos	Wednesday 19th June 2024

Contact Us ~ During term time, our school office is open from 8:30am-4:00pm.

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