# St. Augustine's Catholic Primary School

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

### **NEWSLETTER** ~ 26<sup>th</sup> January 2024







"What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth?"
Mark 1:21-28 ~ The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

In the Gospel reading this week, we hear a story of Jesus' great power to rid a person of an impure spirit.

When we listen to stories from the Bible, we understand that the words and messages are full of great **WISDOM**, a **LOVE** for all creation and great power and **MIGHT** to influence how we live our lives. The messages from Jesus lead us, and we follow them because we understand their truth, and why they are important for a happy and peaceful life.

Jesus' words and messages can change our opinion and help us to choose right and pure actions, instead of wrong and impure actions. They help us to wonder about our own lives, and what we can do to improve.

- 1. What special things do you remember Jesus did when he was alive?
- 2. What special messages do you remember Jesus told and taught us?
- 3. What do you think Jesus would like you to do with your gifts and responsibilities?



#### **Heart of Gold Award**

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

This week the award goes to:

Faye ~ Y2 Henn



#### Wednesday Word ~ TEACHER

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

https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/teacher?pid=MTA101634&v=117.3









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# St. Augustine's Notices

#### Whole School Parent Teacher Consultations Meetings

Parent teacher consultations will be taking place after school on:

Tuesday 5th March 2024 from 3:30pm to 7:00pm Thursday 7th March 2024 from 3:30pm to 6:00pm

These will be face to face appointments in your child's classroom.



#### Y1&2 Henn class ONLY:

Tuesday 5th March from 3:30pm to 7:00pm & Wednesday 6th March from 3:30pm to 6:00pm

#### **Nursery Mice Class ONLY:**

Tuesday 5th March from 3:30pm to 6:00pm & Wednesday 6th March from 3:30pm to 6:00pm

#### **Reception Fox Class ONLY:**

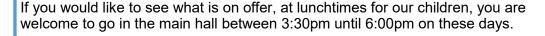
Wednesday 6th March from 3:30pm to 6:00pm & Thursday 7th March from 3:30pm to 6:00pm

You will be able to make your appointments on School Cloud from the week beginning Monday 29th February. If you have any issues booking appointments please contact the school office by telephoning 01603 743317.

If you are unable to attend please email your child's class teacher as soon as possible.

#### **School Meals Taster Sessions**

Aspens/Select our school meals provider, will be offering taster sessions in the hall on Tuesday 5th March and Thursday 7th March.





#### <u>Friday 2nd February 2024 ~ Non-School Uniform (50p to £1.00 donation)</u> <u>Numbers Day - Celebration of all things Maths!</u>

Make a donation to the NSPCC (50p to £1) if you dress up, it  $\underline{\text{MUST}}$  be maths related.

What's your favourite number or aspect of Maths? Why? Tell your class in Show and Tell. Let's have some fun and enjoy maths as a whole school, while helping other children in need. Get creative and dress up with a Maths theme!



No full football kits please - just a shirt and a mathematical reason explaining why it's your favourite number, as well as player number please.

At St Augustine's we want to celebrate our love of Maths! Below are some ideas.







# <u>Changes to eligibility for funded childcare places</u> **2** and **3** year olds and consultation

From April 2024, changes are coming to the 15 and 30 hours of childcare support. All eligible working parents of 2 year olds can access up to 15 hours a week of funded childcare from the claim period after their child's 2nd birthday.



From September 2024, all eligible working parents can access up to 15 hours a week of funded childcare from the claim period following their child turning 9 months.

If you are an expectant parent and/or a parent with children under 3, we would be grateful if you could take a few minutes to complete Norfolk's consultation survey to help them understand how they can best meet the childcare needs of families across Norfolk. **Survey Link** 

If you would like to read more about the changes to the early years funding, click on the link to the Childcare Choices website or contact the Family Information team. Childcare Choices Link

Family Information Team Email: fis@norfolk.gov.uk Telephone: 0344 8008020

#### Tuesday 6th February ~ Saver Internet Day

February 6th 2024, marks this year's Safer Internet Day.

We can all play a part in keeping children and young people safe online, with celebrations and learning based around the theme 'Inspiring change? Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online'.



Please see additional information attached to this newsletter, or visit the website: https://saferinternet.org.uk/

#### February 2024 ~ Digifest

Digifest is an annual programme of events in Norfolk Libraries that encourages young people and families to develop digital skills and literacy. By delivering fun, interactive activities we aim to lower barriers to access and inspire the next generation of problem-solvers, critical thinkers and engaged digital citizens.

Throughout the whole of February there will be over 120 free events taking place across the library service, for children aged four to 14. Some events are one-off specials, such as a Lego Stop-Motion event, and the chance to use the Codeapillar or a Coding Critter to start learning about programming.



For 2024, there are lots of snazzy new tech and new robots to meet, but not everything is about codingthere are great digital art and design opportunities too!

Find out more in the information letter attached, or using the Digifest Link

#### The Norwich Science Festival ~ 17-02-2024 to 24-02-2024

The Norwich Science Festival, a celebration of science, is back Saturday 17 - Saturday 24 February 2024. Get ready for intriguing discoveries, inspiring talks, engaging exhibitions, cutting-edge research and lots of family fun. Norwich Science Festival combines cutting-edge research with fantastic events; revealing the fascinating science of the world around us.



Please find more details following this link - What's On

## **Dates**

### Click the link to view 2024-2025: St Augustine's Term 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	

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Event	Date	
KS2 Candlemas Mass at Our Lady & St. Walstan's	Friday 2nd February 2024 at 9:30am	
Non-School Uniform Numbers Day - Fundraiser for NSPCC	Friday 2nd February 2024	
Learning Support Plan Meetings for SEND	Week beginning 12th February 2024	
Reception Visit Vision and Hearing Screening  ***CHANGED DATE***	Monday 12th February 2024 Tuesday 13th February 2024	
Shrove Tuesday	Tuesday 13th February 2024	
Ash Wednesday (Day of Fasting and Abstinence) KS2 Service at Our Lady & St. Walstan's	Wednesday 14th February 2024 at 9:15am	
St. Augustine's CAFOD Fast Day Fundraiser Non Uniform Day	Friday 16th February 2024	
KS1 and KS2 St. David's Day Mass at St. Augustine's School Hall	Friday 1st March 2024 at 9:30am ALL WELCOME	
Dress Up for World Book Day (a day early)	Wednesday 6th March 2024	
Parent Consultation Meetings	Tuesday 5th March 2024 at 3:30-7:00pm Thursday 7th March 2024 at 3:30-6:00pm	
Parent Consultation Meetings (Nursery Mice, KS1 Henn ONLY)	Tuesday 5th March 2024 at 3:30pm-7:00pm Wednesday 6th March 2024 at 3:30pm-6:00pm	
Parent Consultation Meetings (Reception Foxes ONLY)	Wednesday 6th March 2024 at 3:30pm-6:00pm Thursday 7th March 2024 at 3:30pm-6:00pm	
LKS2 Performances of 'The Magic Flute'	Tuesday 19th March 2024 at 2:00pm Wednesday 20th March 2024 at 2:00pm	
School Class Photos	Wednesday 19th June 2024	