St. Augustine's Catholic Primary School

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

NEWSLETTER ~ 17th March 2023







"Tell me who he is so that I may believe in him." John 9: 1-38 4th Sunday of Lent

Today, KS2 children continued to make preparations on their Lenten journey. We held our school reconciliation service, a time to reflect through prayer. We have learnt about the power of love, shown through forgiveness, when we can admit our faults and say sorry. We can then move forward, and make changes, to live happier lives.



In the Gospel reading this Sunday, we learn about Jesus' miraculous power to make a blind man see for the first time. Jesus was able to heal a man of his troublesome difficulty. Not only could the man see the world for the first time, but he also saw the truth, that Jesus was the son of God.

We may have our own difficulties, troubles and worries. Through prayer and reflection, we can learn from our mistakes and find ways to see things more clearly. During this time of Lent, we can all try to make changes and improvements, to help ourselves and others lead better lives.



- 1 ~ Can you stop, take notice, and recognise any difficulties, troubles, mistakes or worries in your life?
- 2 ~ Have you noticed others that might need help with their difficulties?
- 3 ~ What changes could you make to help improve your life and other people's lives?

<u>Chrism Mass ~ Tuesday 4th April at 11:30am</u> St.. John the Baptist Cathedral

Every year during Holy Week, the Bishop presides at the Chrism Mass. This year this takes place on Tuesday 4th April at 11.30am in the Cathedral of St John the Baptist. Bishop Peter would very much like some representation from school pupils at the Chrism Mass, but unfortunately it falls during the Easter holiday.

If you are interested in taking your St. Augustine's child/ren and attend on behalf of the school, please contact the Head Teacher. She can reserve seats and inform the Cathedral of your attendance.



Email: office@st-augustines.norfolk.sch.uk

Wednesday Word ~ HEALING

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



https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word











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St. Augustine's News

St. Giles SOS Gangs & County Lines Webinar 28-03-2023 from 6:30-8:00pm

Attached with the newsletter this week is some information for parents and carers about an upcoming webinar being delivered by St Giles Trust. The webinar is about gangs and County Lines. The speakers have lived experience of the consequences and realities of County Lines and gangs and will provide valuable insight about the signs to look out for that could indicate that a young person is at risk of getting involved in these.

See the leaflet and poster attached for more information.



Turning a past into a future

What is Parental Burnout?

Our families might be interested in reading an article on 'Parent Burnout,' shared by our PSA (Parent Support Advisor) -Marcia Sloan.



The article is attached with the newsletter this week.

If you are experiencing any difficulties with your work-life balance that is affecting your physical and mental wellbeing, as well as your family relationships, you can contact Marcia.

Details can be found on our website: http://www.st-augustines.norfolk.sch.uk/support-for-parents/

A Message from Fr David:

A lady spoke to me the other day to say that her car had been hit in the church car park during the school run. I know how she feels as my own car was scratched recently while in the car park. Please remember that you have a legal obligation – and, indeed, a Christian one – to leave your contact details on any car you bump or scratch if you are unable to speak to the driver personally.



Many thanks, Fr David



HCPT: The Pilgrimage Trust ~ Group 111 Fundraiser

Over many years, St. Augustine's and some of the teachers at our school, have supported and given

up their time to volunteer for the HCPT Pilgrimage Trust. This fantastic charity, offers life changing pilgrimage holidays for children who are disadvantaged, have special educational needs or disabilities.

This year, Miss Costello is joining Norwich's family group, called Group 111. She would greatly appreciate your support and promotes these upcoming events that you may be interested in.

See attached posters for more details.

Zumbathon ~ Saturday 18th March 2023 St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Primary School 1:00pm—4:00pm

Quiz and Pudding ~ Saturday 18th March 2023 St. Cuthbert's Church 6:30pm—9:00pm

<u>Pro-Active</u> EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB

Pro-Active will be running their holiday club during the Easter Holidays for children that attend St. Augustine's School and Nursery.

Please contact Leo by calling: **0782 884 2596** or email: **proactive-education@outlook.com** for more information and to reserve your place.



St. Augustine's Competitions



St. Augustine's Parking Pledge ~ Art Competition

Our school is proudly promoting the 'Safe School Run Pledge.' This pledge

is asking all families to think responsibly about how they travel to school safely, including their behaviour in our local neighbourhood.

More information about how you can help make our school and local area a safer place, is included in the attached information leaflet.

To link with this theme, we are inviting children to design a "Safe Journey To School" poster. It should include top tips, such as:

- ★ Keep our air clean—turn off your engine!
- ★ Walk or cycle to school
- **★** Park safely ~ DO NOT park on pavements

Deadline: Monday 27th March 2023

Knights of Saint Colomba ~ 2023 Easter Painting Competition

Can you paint a scene that portrays part of the Easter story (from Palm Sunday to Pentecost Sunday)?



Make sure you include a

Bible Chapter and Verse with your painting, that best describes the scene depicted. Paintings without a verse will not be entered.

Send your paintings into school and hand into the school office.

Please include:

- -child's name, age and year group
- **★** Charter Council Prizes £5, £3, £2
- ★ Provincial Council Prizes £7, £5, £3
- **★** National Prizes £30, £20, £15

Deadline: Monday 17th April 2023

The school of the National inner receives a donation prize of £200.

Knights of Saint Colomba ~ 2023 Easter Photography Competition 2023

Capture an image of a parish church or cathedral backdrop, with our without the altar view. It may be traditional or modern. Try and capture the best image possible of your subject, taken day or night.



You can use your own, parents, or siblings phone, camera or tablet. Check you have permission and ensure you have a good image.

Email the image as a png or jpeg file to office@st-augustines.norfolk.sch uk

Please include:

- -name of church/cathedral & location
- -date picture was taken
- -name of phone or digital camera used
- -name, age and year group
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Knights of Saint Colomba ~ 2023 Easter Prayer Writing Competition 2023

Can you write a prayer on the theme of

"Prayer for our Earth, your people and our Faith"?

Prayers will be judged on spiritual content and composition. Think about



your language, phrases and check you your prayers make sense and are correctly punctuated.

Send your prayers into school and hand into the school office.

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Dates



2022 / 2023	School Closes	School Opens
	(Last day children attend school)	(First day children come back)
Easter Holidays 2023	Friday 31st March 2023	Monday 17th April 2023
	School finishes at 1:30pm	
Summer	Friday 26th May 2023	Monday 5th June 20023
Half Term Break 2023	i ilday 20tii Way 2023	
Summer Holidays 2023	Friday 21st July 2023	
	School finishes at 1:30pm	

Event	Date
Ignite EYFS Annunciation Workshop	Thursday 23rd March 2023
Whole School Golf Taster Day	Thursday 23rd March 2023
Rossetti Parent Meetings (rescheduled)	Thursday 30th March 2023 3:30pm—5:00pm
Rossetti Parent Meetings (rescheduled)	Friday 31st March 2023 1:40pm—4:00pm

Easyfundraising

Thank you to those who have already registered with us on easyfundraising!

This website allows you to help us for FREE.

Over 7,000 brands will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself! All you need to do is sign up and remember to use easyfundraising whenever you shop online. It's easy and completely FREE!

These donations really mount up, so if you are not already signed up for another worthy charity, please support us: <u>click here</u>



KS1 and KS2 After School Sports Clubs Spring Second Half Term 2023

PE Kits should be brought to school at the start of the day, so the children can change before the club starts. Children to be collected from the Lower Playground at 4:15pm

All clubs run from 3:15pm until 4:15pm.

Monday Bounce

Tuesday Non Contact Boxercise

Wednesday Basketball
Thursday Minimoons
Thursday Football
Friday Football

