

# St. Augustine's Catholic Primary School

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

## NEWSLETTER ~ 24th March 2023



**"Then Jesus cried out in a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!'"**

**John 11: 1-45 5th Sunday of Lent**

God gives life to us all. God created us and wants every single one of us to live a happy life, with all the things that we need to grow and be the best people we can be.

Jesus came to show us how to live, how to treat others. This Lent, we can look at our own lives and think about the changes that we can make so that everyone can live their lives to the full.



**1 ~ What changes have you already made this Lent?**

**2 ~ What are your strengths that you are proud of?**

**3 ~ What would you like to improve, to live a fuller life?**



### **Goodbye and Good Luck Miss Carter!**

We are very sad to say, that we have to wish a fond farewell to our teaching assistant, Miss Carter. Miss Carter has made the difficult decision to move back to Tanzania to be with her family.

Miss Carter has been working in UKS2 over the past two years and has been a wonderful asset to our team.

Please join us in saying a HUGE Thank You to Miss Carter for the outstanding support she has shown to the children at our school.

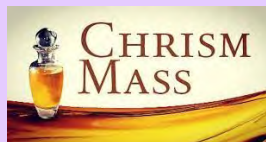
### **Chrism Mass ~ Tuesday 4th April at 11:30am**

#### **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](mailto:office@st-augustines.norfolk.sch.uk)



### **Heart of Gold Award**

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

This week the award goes to:

**Angelina ~ Y5 Rosen**



### **Wednesday Word ~ COMPASSION**

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

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/>



St John the Baptist



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# St. Augustine's News

## **Norfolk Music Festival**

Well done to our fabulous choir who performed at the Norfolk Music Festival at St. Andrew's Hall. Our choir have grown in numbers to a magnificent 43 children. Their beautiful voices filled the hall and earnt a 'Highly Commended' grade from the judges.

Thank you to all our families that came to support and your wonderful comments of praise.





# St. Augustine's News



## Extreme Reading Challenge Winners

Well done to the winners of the Extreme Reading Challenge. We had so many EXTREMELY amazing photos and it was very hard to judge. We will be sharing all the photos on our website shortly.

EYFS Winner: Sebastian (Rec ~ Foxes)  
KS1 Winner: Ariadne (Y1 ~ Kerr)  
LKS2 Winner: Belle (Y4 ~ Rauf)  
UKS2 Winner: Megan (Y5 ~ Rossetti)

## Using Parental Controls for Electronic Online Devices

Parental controls are a great tool to help better protect your children online. Find out how you can use them more effectively by clicking on this link to the CEOP-ThinkUKnow website:

[Using parental controls \(thinkuknow.co.uk\)](https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk) .



### 5 actions for setting parental controls

1. Set up home broadband parental controls.
2. Set controls on your search engine and encourage your child to always use child-friendly search engines.
3. Use privacy settings on apps and devices; including social networking sites.
4. Block pop-ups, if you're worried about your child accidentally clicking on adverts.
5. Have open conversations with your child about online safety and reassure them that they can talk to you or a trusted adult whenever they need to.



## Reception Cake Sale

**Thursday 30th March 2023—3:00pm**

Following a visit from the RSPCA, Reception will be holding a cake sale to raise funds for the this special charity. The cakes will be available in the lower playground, after school, on Thursday 30th of March from 3:00pm.

Please support the children's efforts for this worthy cause.

Remember to get in quick, before they all disappear!

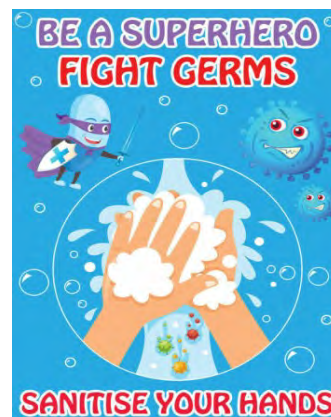


## Handwashing and Hygiene

Hand washing is by far the best way to keep kids from getting sick and passing on any illness, so please can you all encourage your children to wash their hands:

- before eating
- after using the toilet
- after touching animals, including family pets
- after blowing their nose, coughing, or sneezing
- after being outside playing.

Thank you for your help with this matter.



# 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.

## St Giles

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/>

## **Active Education Easter Holiday Camp**

Active Education will be running activity camps across the region over the Easter holidays. You can see all the activities, dates and venues on the attached information. Please follow the link to the page <https://activeeducation.info/camps-and-clubs> as this is where you will find details of all upcoming holiday camps we have running!

Have a browse and find the link at the bottom of the page to our booking system.

This booking system is used for both holiday camps, after school clubs and any other group activities we have on offer.



## **Nursery Applications September 2023**

**All are welcome at St Augustine's Catholic Nursery!**

If your child was born between September 1st 2019 and August 31st 2020, and you would like to be considered for a place in our in our Nursery starting September 2023, please complete our Supplementary Information Form. You will find the form in the 'Key Information' tab and then click 'Admissions'. Return the form to the school as soon as possible.

All children are entitled to government funding from the start of the school year following their 3rd birthday. Depending on parent eligibility, this will be either 15 or 30 hours per week for 38 weeks of the year.



## **Pro-Active 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 or 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](mailto: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 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<br>(Last day children attend school)  | School Opens<br>(First day children come back) |
|-----------------------------|---|--|
| Easter Holidays 2023        | Friday 31st March 2023<br>School finishes at 1:30pm | Monday 17th April 2023                         |
| Summer Half Term Break 2023 | Friday 26th May 2023                                | Monday 5th June 2023                           |
| Summer Holidays 2023        | Friday 21st July 2023<br>School finishes at 1:30pm  | - - -  |

| Event   | Date                                      |
|---|---|
| UKS2 Theatre Royal Trip ~ An Unexpected Twist | Wednesday 29th March 2023                 |
| Rossetti Parent Meetings (rescheduled)        | Thursday 30th March 2023<br>3:30pm—5:00pm |
| Rossetti Parent Meetings (rescheduled)        | Friday 31st March 2023<br>1:40pm—4:00pm   |
| KS1 Parkour Workshop Day                      | Tuesday 18th April 2023                   |
| UKS2 Trip to Gressenhall                      | Wednesday 19th April 2023                 |
| Y4 Bikeability                                | Thursday 20th April 2023                  |

### 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: [click here](#)



### KS1 and KS2 After School Sports Clubs Summer First Half Term 2023

**Clubs are now on WisePay and available to book for the First Summer Half Term**

**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    | No Club               |
| Tuesday   | Non Contact Boxercise |
| Wednesday | Basketball            |
| Thursday  | Minimoons             |
| Thursday  | Football              |
| Friday    | Football              |

