St. Augustine's Catholic Primary School

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

NEWSLETTER ~ 27th March 2024







"Until this moment they had failed to understand that Jesus must rise from the dead." John 20: 1-9 ~ EASTER SUNDAY

This week we have been learning about Holy Week, the last week we have to prepare for Easter Sunday. Our whole school joined together for Stations of the Cross. We remembered the story of the Passion of Jesus, gazing on artwork of each station, listening to the words of the Gospel and saying prayers.

Holy week is a time we dedicate to reflecting and responding to the teachings of Jesus. Trying to follow His **Wisdom, Love & Might.**

From all the staff at St. Augustine's, we wish all our families and community a very HAPPY EASTER! Have a great holiday!



1. How many days does Lent last?

2. Can you describe the events of Holy Week leading up to Easter Sunday? (Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, Easter Sunday).

3. How many Stations of the Cross can you remember?

THANK YOU and GOODBYE!

We wish a fond farewell to Ms Porter and Mr Wicks at the end of this term. We offer a **HUGE THANK YOU** for all they have contributed to Zephaniah & Rauf classes.

We wish them the best of luck on their next adventure.



Heart of Gold Award

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

Last week & this week the award goes to:

Charlotte ~ Y3 Wilson Reuben ~ Y4 Morpurgo



Wednesday Word ~ EASTER

Please see the link for the holiday edition of the Wednesday Word below.

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The Sunday Gospel through School on Wednesday







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St. Augustine's Awards

House Points

1st Place: Bethlehem with 1477 points 2nd Place: Nazareth with 1463 points 3rd Place: Jerusalem with 1414 points

4th Place: Galilee with 1379 points

Attendance Awards

Each half term we celebrate the attendance of the best two classes in the school with our 1st Place Pig and 2nd Place Seal awards.



Congratulations our two class winners!

1st Place Pig Award: KS1 Biddulph Class (95.78%)



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2nd Place Seal: UKS2 Zephaniah Class (95.25%)

Book Fundraiser

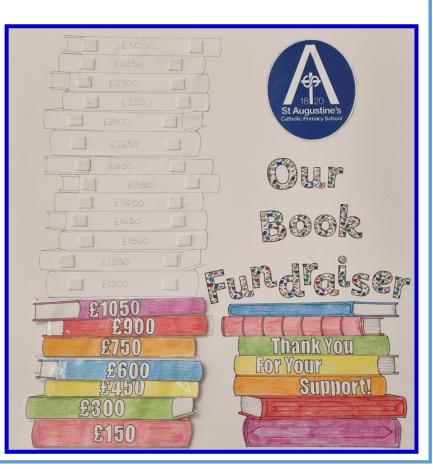
We are so grateful with all the donations and fundraising efforts.

This half term, with the money raised from the LKS2 and UKS2 discos, we have achieved more money than we had hoped for our Book Fund.

Thank you so much to all families and friends of St. Augustine's.

So far the total has reached:





St. Augustine's Awards

Lenten Art Competition Winners

Our School Council judged the Nativity artwork competition for this half term. Here are the results! The paintings have now been sent to the Knights of Saint Colomba to be entered into their seasonal Lenten painting competition.



St. Augustine's News

Book Fundraiser

At St Augustine's we want to foster a love of reading in all our pupils. In order to achieve this, we know that our children need to feel inspired.

We would like to raise funds for a collection of high-quality new books, so there is something to engage all our children, whether they are already a keen reader in search of their next great read or a reluctant reader looking for something to transform them into a lifelong reader. We want all of our pupils to develop a love of reading for pleasure.

Reading is a skill we take for granted, yet one that is essential to support us throughout our whole lives. As a child grows up, being able to read well not only enables them to discover new facts but also opens them up to a world of new ideas, stories and opportunities.

Therefore, we are aiming to raise £3000 which will enable us to purchase new books for all our year groups, from nursery to Year 6, so that all our pupils will find something to ignite their imagination and passion for reading. The sets we have chosen come from Books For Topics Recommended Reads collections, including high-quality reading for pleasure choices specially chosen to boost reading in each year group. You can see the collections at<u>www.booksfortopics.com/booklists/recommended-reads/</u>.



These collections of books will form part of our plan to create new and highquality library areas in UKS2, LKS2 and KS1/EYFS that will benefit all our children as they progress through the school.

To donate, please visit:<u>https://supportyourschool.org.uk/st-augustines-catholic</u> _primary-school/booksfortopics-year-group-recommended-reads

Thank you in advance for your continued support.

Best wishes, Our St. Augustine's Family

Pyjamas to School

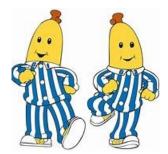
On Friday 26th April 2024, all children are invited to wear their pyjamas to school to celebrate their favourite bedtime stories, and help raise funds for new high-quality library books.

What you need to do:

1. Dig out your comfiest pyjamas.

2. Put your favourite bedtime story and a cuddly toy (if you wish) in your school bag – both clearly named if possible.

3. Bring in £1 towards our Book Fundraiser. Thank you for your support!



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Plastic-Lid Collection

Our Eco-Warriors have been sharing Pope Francis' message from his letter titled Laudato Si.

As part of their work to promote sustainability and caring for our common home, the Eco Warriors would like to re-use and upcycle plastic lids to create a piece of permanent art work.

The idea is to create a large picture of our school's patron, Saint Augustine of Canterbury.

Please start collecting any finished plastic lids, of any colour, and any size and bring them into school after half term.



St. Augustine's Notices

Dear Families of St. Augustine's,

Alongside the parent meetings this week, we would appreciate some feedback about our school community, so we can learn and improve on our educational provision.

The online form should take about 5-10 minutes. Please click on the link: <u>https://forms.gle/cZ5rQKMDcPySras99</u>

If you would prefer a paper copy of the form, you can contact the school office, or collect a form at the parent meetings this week.

The survey closes on: Monday 15th April 2024

Many thanks, from St. Augustine's Staff



St. Augustine's Family Feedback Form 2024

Update Contact Details

In the event of an emergency or accident, the school MUST be able to contact you immediately by telephone, so we need to have the most up-to-date information on our system.

We send out electronic communications from school, but this will only continue to be successful if you notify us when your email address changes.

The Admin team send home Data Collection Sheets for checking and updating on an annual basis, but if any of your details change (address, home telephone, mobile, email etc.) during the year, we would welcome an update as soon as possible.

Please email: office@st-augustines.norfolk.sch.uk with any updates. Thank you for your help with this.

Bag2School – fundraising for St. Augustine's School

It's time to clear your wardrobes and help the school raise some funds.

Please bring in any donations to school by Wednesday 24th April and leave them by the wall near the gate in the Front Playground or take them to the Upper Playground and leave under the shelter.



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A list of items that one can/can't bring can be seen on <u>https://bag2school.com/what-we-collect</u>

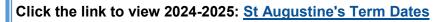
Contact Us ~ During term time, our school office is open from 8:30am-4:00pm.

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Warning ~ DO NOT REPLY to emails sent from: <u>StAugustinesCatholicPrimarySchool@pupilasset.co.uk</u>



Dates





| 2023 / 2024 | School Closes (Last day children attend school) | School Opens (First day children come back) |
|-----------------------|--|--|
| 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 |
|---------------------|--------------------------|
| Pyjamas to School | Friday 26th April 2024 |
| Year 6 SAT's Week | Monday 13th May 2024 |
| Walk to School Week | Monday 20th May 2024 |
| School Class Photos | Wednesday 19th June 2024 |
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KS1 and KS2 After School Clubs Summer First Half Term 2024

After School Clubs for the Summer 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, and KS1/Art and Design KS2 | | |
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| Monday | ~ Guitar Club: KS2 only Contact the school to see if there are spaces available | | |
| Tuesday | ~ Tag Rugby | | |
| Wednesday | ~ Basketball | | |
| Wednesday | ~ Camera Club: KS2 only. Contact the school to see if there are spaces available | | |
| Wednesday | ~ Tennis Years 1-3 sign up on the provider's website (Flyer attached) | | |
| Thursday Thursday Thursday Friday | ~ Football ~ KS1&2 African Drumming/ Dance Fit ~ Zumba ~ Football | SCHOOL CLUBS | |