



# St Augustine's Academy Newsletter

## 14<sup>th</sup> June 2019



### Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,



It has been another exciting and busy week at St Augustine's. Some of our Year 4 pupils travelled to Eitorf, Germany on Wednesday to meet up with their German pen pals. They are having a wonderful time experiencing a new culture. In the photo above, you can see our pupils at the top of a hill overlooking the town itself. They look forward to sharing their adventures with you all on their return.

Year 6 pupils have returned from their residential activity trip. Whilst at Rock UK, Irthlingborough, they were able to develop team-building skills and achieve so much more than they previously thought possible, through activities such as canoeing, rock climbing and archery. They had a fantastic time and were buzzing with excitement on their return.

We wish you all a wonderful weekend.

**Amanda Howes – Headteacher**

### Bike Week – 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> June



Although the weather has not been kind to those travelling to school actively, there has been a good turnout of bikes and scooters within the bike rack this week. Well done to all of you who braved the rain to cycle and scoot to school!

### PTFA SUMMER FAIR

The PTFA Summer Fair will be held after school on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June and will be an enjoyable, fun-filled event. Please note that there will be a Chocolate Mufti Day in support of the fair on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June. Pupils are asked to bring in a donation of chocolate for the fair.



### FOOTBALL

We were delighted to hear that our Year 2 team were winners of the Fair Play Tournament held last weekend. Their positive attitude was outstanding, they showed a great team spirit and a desire to play great football, in the correct way. The team deserve the trophies that they won!



In addition, our Year 5 (and 4) team played in a competitive tournament, for the first time, against teams from Luton, Milton Keynes and the local area. They too showed a great attitude and represented the school positively. Well done to you all too!

### Attendance

Our attendance so far this academic year is...

# 95.89%

Raising attendance at our school is a top priority for this year. Our school target is 96%, which is the National Average; this is what we aim to achieve.

Our attendance is now just below the National Average! This is in part to families taking holidays in term time. Please avoid this as your child's learning will be affected.

Our class attendance figures for this week are:

Year 1 – 98.93%	Year 2 – 93.93%
Year 3 – 97.33%	Year 4 – 100%
Year 5 – 96.09%	Year 6 – 96.65%

**Year 4 have the best attendance this week.  
Well Done!**



## Celebrations

Well Done to the following children.

### ★ Star of the Week ★

Reception – Charlie  
 Year 1 – Kenny  
 Year 2 – Bobby Lee  
 Year 3 – Summer-May  
 Year 4 – Luke  
 Year 5 – Ellie  
 Year 6 – Frankie

### ☺ 'SELF' Pupil of the Week ☺

Reception – Megan  
 Year 1 – Blake  
 Year 2 – Amelia  
 Year 3 – Yasmin  
 Year 4 – Zak  
 Year 5 – Wyatt  
 Year 6 – Tomek

### ✍ Writer of the Week ✍

Reception – Elis  
 Year 1 – Daisy-Mae  
 Year 2 – Vanessa  
 Year 3 – Kayden  
 Year 4 – Kianna  
 Year 5 – Rico  
 Year 6 – Regan

### 🏠 Housepoints 🏠

Neptune - 301  
 Mars - 280  
 Earth - 285  
 Venus - 270

## Word of the Week

Our word for the week is...

# Sumptuous

Sumptuous means 'lush and luxurious.'

Can you use the word 'sumptuous' in your speaking and writing this week?

## Gardening Club – Plea for Keys!

Gardening Club are creating a sensory garden for Dunstable in Bloom. They would like to make wind chimes from old keys, so if you have any keys that you no longer have use for, please place them in the box in the reception area so that they can be put to good use.

Many thanks in advance for your help.

From  
 Gardening  
 Club



## Diary Dates

Mon. 17 <sup>th</sup> Jun.	PTFA Chocolate Mufti Day
Thu. 20 <sup>th</sup> Jun	2:45pm – Year 4 Class Assembly
Fri. 21 <sup>st</sup> Jun.	Sports Day - 9.30am start
Thu. 27 <sup>th</sup> Jun.	2:45pm – Year 1 Class Assembly
Fri. 28 <sup>th</sup> Jun.	PTFA SUMMER FAIR
Wed. 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	TRANSFER DAY 3:30pm – 4:15pm – Meet new teacher
Thu. 4 <sup>th</sup> July	2:45pm – Reception Class Assembly
Thu. 11 <sup>th</sup> July	2:45pm – Year 2 Class Assembly
Fri. 19 <sup>th</sup> Jul.	Last Day of Term

Please check the school website or App for the whole year's diary and for more information about St. Augustine's Academy.

Please note that dates sometimes need to change and we will notify you if this happens.



## 'SELF' Question of the Week

Has anything stopped me from learning well this year?



## Our Value for this half term is...

### ✔ TRUTH and TRUTHFULNESS



'Tell the truth to each other.'

Zechariah 8:16

"The Lord detests lying lips, but he delights in people who are trustworthy."  
*Proverbs 12:22*

People who are trustworthy make good friends and people want to be around them. Are you a good friend to others? Do others want to be around you?

Celebration Assembly takes place at 9:00am every Thursday morning. Parents and carers are welcome to attend.

