



# St Augustine's Academy Newsletter

## 18<sup>th</sup> May 2018



### Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to begin this newsletter by saying how proud we are of our Year 6 pupils. Their focus, determination and application during SATs this week was tangible, they 'Tried their Best' and deserve success.

Last week, Rev. Ricky led a special assembly for our Year 6 pupils and gave them all a special prayer card to help them stay calm and focused. Staff also prepared a special 'Go for it!' card for our pupils to wish them well.

Each SATs morning this week, started with a SATs breakfast; the breakfasts were a huge success! Our pupils devoured the wonderful range of food provided; 'eggy bread' was definitely the favourite! We would like to say a huge thank you to all the staff, many of whom were in school by 7:00am each morning, to set up for the tests and cook such a wonderful feast.

The well-being of our school community is always important to us, and it has been especially important during this week; as with any test, nerves do kick in. We would like to thank parents for their good wishes and thank yous, they meant a lot to us. Our 'Year 6 SATs Photomontage' shows the smiles of our pupils enjoying their breakfast and the fun activities that took place in the afternoons to help our pupils relax and refresh. Year 6 really enjoyed their water-fight – especially drenching Mrs. Perkins and Mrs. Howes. Thanks guys!

During the last 8 months, we have implemented many changes to the way our school is run in a bid to raise standards and improve progress and attainment outcomes for our pupils. Preparing our Year 6 pupils for their SATs has been a huge priority as there was certainly a lot of work to be done.

As part of our improvement drive, Curriculum and Assessment practices for the whole school have been reinvented, quality Reading and Maths resources purchased and utilised, and expectations for every pupil have been raised. We hope that our results will improve massively from what has been attained in previous years, they certainly deserve to, but whatever happens, we know that our school community has tried their best and we are exceptionally proud of our Year 6 pupils!

Amanda Howes - Headteacher.

### Year 6 SATs Photo Montage



## Celebration Assembly

### 😊 SELF Award 😊

Reception – Maliscia Martin  
 Year 1 – Mateen Panaee  
 Year 2 – Yasmin Travagli  
 Year 3 – Alfie Knapp  
 Year 4 – Harvey Waterson  
 Year 5 – Emily Rudy  
 Year 6 – Natalie Zubrycki

The SELF question for next week is:

**\*\*\*How can I be the best I can be?\*\*\***

Our value of the half term is:

**Friendship**

### ✍️ Writer of the Week ✍️

Reception – Tarebi Egbegi  
 Year 1 – Kai Lloyd  
 Year 2 – Chancenes Nakueti  
 Year 3 – Kianna Robertson  
 Year 4 – Lidia Suchar  
 Year 5 – Lucas Catlin  
 Year 6 – Nathan Ince

### ★ Star of the Week ★

Reception – Alayah Hinds  
 Year 1 – Layla-Mai Martin  
 Year 2 – Erin Keen  
 Year 3 – Evie Philpott  
 Year 4 – Amara Lai  
 Year 5 – Channelle Ireson  
 Year 6 – Nicola Jacobas

### 🏠 Housepoints

Neptune (Blue) – 234  
 Mars (Red) – 209  
 Earth (Green) – 201  
 Venus (Yellow) – 193

### ✓ Attendance ✓

Year 1 – 98.21%  
 Year 2 – 96.55%  
 Year 3 – 100%  
 Year 4 – 96.3%  
 Year 5 – 97.85%  
 Year 6 – 100%



**Each class attained more than 96% this week so the whole school will have a Mufti Day on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May.**

## Attendance and Punctuality

Our whole school attendance so far this year is 94.33%. This is the highest our school attendance has been this year but we still need to aim higher. Our attendance target is 96%!



Let's keep working together to improve attendance for all our pupils and give them the best possible life chances. Attendance really does count! Thank you.

## Class Assemblies

After the half term holiday, classes will be taking it in turns to lead a Class Assembly to which parents/carers are invited. The Class Assemblies will take place on Thursday mornings at 9:00am, which is our normal Celebration Assembly time, and the usual certificates will also be presented. Please note the date of the Class Assembly for your child's class so that hopefully you will be able to plan in advance to attend.



During the assemblies, the children will reflect on the learning that has taken place in their class during the year and demonstrate some of the new skills they have learnt. We look forward to seeing many of you there. (If any of the dates need to change we will let you know as soon as possible.)

## Diary Dates

Mon. 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Whole school Mufti Day for each class achieving more than 96% attendance.
Fri. 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Last Day of the Half Term
Tue. 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Children return to school
Thu. 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 2 Class Assembly
Thu. 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 3 Class Assembly
Thu. 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Year 4 Class Assembly
Fri. 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Sports Day
Mon. 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Bikeability (Years 4, 5 and 6)
Thu. 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Class Assembly
Wed. 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Transfer Day
Thu. 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 Class Assembly
Thu. 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception Class Assembly
Wed. 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Event (Evening)
Fri. 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of term