



St Augustine's Academy Newsletter

8th June 2018



Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was lovely to see the children back at school on Tuesday after the half term holiday but it is hard to believe that we are now in the last half term of the academic year. This year has flown by so quickly!

We have already begun the half term in true St. Augustine's style with lots going on.

Year 2 held their class assembly and delighted everyone with their ukulele performance. Well done Year 2!

Gardening Club also did us proud this week with their first crop of the season...RADISHES! You can see the delicious produce in the photograph below and they have already been put to good use in our school kitchen. Thank you Gardening Club!



There will continue to be many exciting events taking place this half term including Sports Day, school trips and more class assemblies.

Please pay close attention to the diary dates at the end of the newsletter each week. Some dates have already changed due to trips etc. taking place so please make sure that you keep checking the newsletter and website calendars for up-to-date information.

Finally, the weather is now much warmer and it is important that children come to school sun-ready. Children should make sure that they bring water-bottles and sun hats to school and that they have a high factor sun-cream applied at home in the morning. Thank you for helping to keep children safe in the sun.

Amanda Howes - Headteacher.

School Vision

'Self-reflection' is the SELF topic for this half term. Children are looking back over the previous year at their successes and achievements and reflecting on the things that they would like to work to improve in the future.

As a school we are also reflecting. We believe it is time to review the school's vision and aims and below you will find statements which we consider as aspirations. We would value any comments or reflections that you may have on them, either verbal or by letter or e-mail.

At St. Augustine's Academy:



The safety and well-being of our pupils is our top priority.



Our ethos is built on Christian values with 'love' at the core.



We have high expectations and strive for the highest academic standards.



We grow and flourish in a happy, stimulating and treasured environment.



We stretch ourselves and each other to achieve our full potential.



We inspire creativity, innovation and self-belief.



We value relationships and work together to make a difference.



Our pupils are at the heart of all we do.

Please make any comments or reflections, that you may have, known to the school by Friday 15th June so that we can consider them ready for our next Governing Board meeting.

Many thanks for supporting the school in its next steps for the future.

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Celebration Assembly

😊 SELF Award 😊

Reception – Daniel
 Year 1 – Bobby-Lee
 Year 2 – Jamie
 Year 3 – Alfie
 Year 4 – Ellie
 Year 5 – Courtney
 Year 6 – Logan

The SELF question for our next school week is:

*****What has made me happy this year?*****

Our value of the half term is:

Respect

✍️ Writer of the Week ✍️

Reception – Matylida
 Year 1 – Mateen
 Year 2 – Summer
 Year 3 – Lillie Mai
 Year 4 – Filip
 Year 5 – Regan
 Year 6 – Amy

★ Star of the Week ★

Reception – Cody
 Year 1 – Damian
 Year 2 – Billy
 Year 3 – Kamil
 Year 4 – Caitlin
 Year 5 – Charlie
 Year 6 – Blessing

🏠 Housepoints

Neptune (Blue) – 165
 Mars (Red) – 144
 Earth (Green) – 128
 Venus (Yellow) – 163

✓ Attendance ✓

Year 1 – 93.75%
 Year 2 – 98.28%
 Year 3 – 100%
 Year 4 – 88.89%
 Year 5 – 94.09%
 Year 6 – 96.88%



Year 3 attained 100% attendance this week and receive a Mufti Day. Well Done!

Attendance and Punctuality

Our whole school attendance so far this year is 94.39%. This is the highest our school attendance has been this year but we still need to aim higher. Our attendance target is 96%!



We have recently had a couple of requests for holiday leave of absence. Please can we remind parents and carers that holidays during term-time are not exceptional circumstances and will not be authorised. A fixed penalty notice may then be issued.

Taking children out of school is detrimental to their learning and it is proven that children with high levels of absence are often a school's lowest attainers. Our pupils already have 12-13 weeks school holiday a year, please do not add to this. Many thanks for your support.

Class Photographs

On Wednesday 13th June, class photographs will be taking place. Please ensure that children come to school, as usual, in smart, correct, school uniform. Thank you.



Diary Dates

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| Wed. 13 th June | Class Photographs |
| Thu. 14 th June | Year 3 Class Assembly |
| Thu. 21 st June | Year 1 Class Assembly |
| Fri. 22 nd June | Sports Day |
| Mon. 25 th June | Bikeability (Years 4, 5 and 6) |
| Tue. 26 th June | Reception Class Assembly |
| Thu. 28 th June | Year 4 Class Assembly |
| Fri. 29 th June | Church Activity Days |
| Wed. 4 th July | Transfer Day and 'Meet the Teacher' (After School) |
| Thu. 5 th July | Year 5 Class Assembly |
| Fri. 6 th July | Church Activity Days |
| Mon. 16 th July | 2:45pm - End of Year Celebration Assembly – Years 3, 4 and 5 |
| Wed. 18 th July | 6:00pm - Year 6 Leavers Event (Evening) |
| Thu. 19 th July | 2:45pm - End of Year Celebration Assembly – Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 |
| Fri. 20 th July | Last day of term |