

St. Augustine's Early Years News

We come to school to live and learn happily together by loving ourselves and each other as Jesus teaches us.



Our Star of the Week will be chosen for their brilliant playing outside and mark making the alphabet.

As a reward, we will also be sending home Charlie Bear with your child. Charlie likes to stay for a week and come back the next Friday for the next Star of the Week. Please write in his diary or add some photos of some of the fun things you have done.

This week's Star of the Week is

Siena





Term Dates:

Spring

Thursday 4th January 2024 -Wednesday 27th March 2024

Half Term

Monday 19th February – Friday 23rd February

Summer

Monday 15th April 2024 -Thursday 18th July 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, our focus during RE lessons has been the story of **Jesus Feeding the 5000**, the children have used role play to re-enact this story and have really impressed us with their knowledge of the story.

We have also continued our work on the Polar Regions, creating homes out of playdough and recycled materials for our Arctic animals.

Donations

We would love to create some new resources in the EYFS garden to further extend your children's play and learning. In order to do this, we would love if you could donate any of the following; plant pots, soil, seeds or plastic gardening tools to make this possible. We also would love some cream of tartar, salt and flour so we can continue making Playdough for the children to develop their fine motor skills. We would like to thank you for the donations to our mud kitchen and for your continued support.

Chinese/Lunar New Year

Next week, we will be learning about Chinese/Lunar New Year. On Friday, we will be tasting some egg noodles and different vegetables: sweetcorn, peas, carrots. Please let us know if you would prefer your child **not** to participate in the food tasting or we can offer alternatives if your child has allergies.

Sound of The Week

On Monday please bring in something beginning with the sound 'i' to show the class.

Homework

For homework this week, there is a workbook on our sound of the week 'p' and a counting worksheet full of fun activities for you to do with your children. Once children have completed the activities, please message back with a photo and any comments that you have. We look forward to seeing all the work!

Reading for Pleasure

We will continue our Reading for Pleasure sessions on Thursday mornings from 8:40-9:00am, all parents are welcome. We look forward to seeing you then.

Open Day Tour for New Nursery Parents

Our next Open Day tour is:

Monday 5th February 2024 @9:15am

Please use this <u>link</u> to book a visit, call or pop into the office. We are very much looking forward to inviting our families and our local community to come and see our beautiful school, our amazing children and lovely staff.

Nursery Places

Our Nursery applications are decided entirely by us and we are OPEN for applications immediately, so do contact our office on 01992 463549 or email admin@staugustines.herts.sch.uk

Our details and further information can also be found on our website

https://www.staugustines.herts.sch.uk/herts/primary/staugustines, which will give you an

excellent flavor of our wonderful school and community. You are all welcome. Parents, please put out the word.

Warm wishes for a lovely weekend.

God Bless.

Mrs Batchelor and Mrs Smitham

Nursery Teachers Mrs Blackwell EYFS & KS1 Leader