



St. Augustine's News

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

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Dear Parents,

As we approach the Easter break, I am delighted to share some of the happenings at our school. It has been a busy and rewarding time for all of us.

I would like to begin by extending a heartfelt thank you to SAPTA and their supporting team for their organization of gift bags for Mothering Sunday. I hope this small token added to the joy of your family celebrations.

Our recent Parent Consultation afternoon/evening was a great success. I trust you found these conversations with your child's class teacher both informative and beneficial. Your engagement in your child's education is invaluable, and we appreciate your continued support.

It was a pleasure to welcome our Chair and Vice Chair this Wednesday for a comprehensive tour around our classrooms. The Governors were greeted by our class ambassadors, who confidentially introduced the class and their current learning.

One of the highlights of our week was the beautiful and respectful Stations of the Cross service. It was particularly special to hold this event on the playground, and the level of parental engagement was truly heartwarming. Our Year 6 pupils led the service admirably, alongside Fr Julian. Their reverence and leadership were commendable, and I am grateful for their efforts and Fr Julian's guidance.

I am thrilled to share some individual and collective achievements. A special congratulations goes to Alaura in Year 6, who won the Rotary competition from among St Augustine's Year 6 entries. Her winning essay, inspired by her Nanna and detailing her aspiration to become a physiotherapist, is attached for your perusal. Well done, Alaura!

It was a delight to welcome Mrs. Batchelor and her son Tadhg to our school on Wednesday. She visited the staff and children in Year 1, and it was wonderful to see her looking so well. We anticipate her return in July.

Our Year 1 and 2 pupils have been thoroughly enjoying their lunchtime football competition. Congratulations to St George house. A big thank you to Mr. White for his organisation and dedication to this initiative.

Looking ahead, I have a couple of notices to share. Year 5 pupils will need cardboard tubing (kitchen roll inner or wrapping paper tubing only, please) for their next DT project. Also, our summer dates / events have been added to the calendar. Please note that these may be subject to change due to external factors.

As we break for Easter, I would like to wish you all a wonderful and blessed holiday with your children. We look forward to welcoming them back on 22nd April, refreshed and ready for the summer term.

Thank you for your continued support and engagement with our school community.

Mrs. Joanne Walsh

Sunday 6th April 2025
Fifth Sunday of Lent



John 8:1-11



Attendance Award

Congratulations to Year 4 & 6

Reception:	91.0%
Year 1:	87.3%
Year 2:	90.3%
Year 3:	96.1%
Year 4:	98.7%
Year 5:	94.1%
Year 6:	98.7%

Whole school target 96%

Safeguarding

The wellbeing of our children is of paramount importance to all staff. Should any parent have a concern regarding a child's wellbeing, please inform the school's Designated Safeguarding Officers (DSP): **Mrs. Walsh, Mrs. Faulkner, Mrs. Baldwin and Mrs Blackwell.**

In cases where school staff have concerns, they have a statutory duty to discuss the issue with one of the DSPs to seek further advice.

Stations of the Cross



What I want to be when I grow up:

I'm Alaura

Over the years, I've developed a clear vision for my future. One of my greatest aspirations is to become a Physiotherapist. This goal is not just a dream - it's a deep, heartfelt ambition rooted in my desire to help those in need. When I first heard about one of my classmates' sister struggling with back and neck pain, it struck me that this was something I could help with. The idea of easing someone's suffering, helping them regain mobility, and improving their quality of life became my motivation. I realized that as a physiotherapist, I could be the person who helps alleviate pain by relaxing tight muscles, loosening stiff joints, and restoring balance to the body - without causing harm or further injury. To make this dream a reality, I know I need to be highly trained and qualified. My studies will focus on contemporary physiotherapy practices, foundations of anatomy, clinical practice, injury rehabilitation, and controlling and preventing decline. These areas fascinate me, and I'm eager to dive deeper into them to understand how the body works, how injuries occur, and how I can help people recover and thrive.

Imagine living with extreme pain every single day - how would it feel? How would it feel? How would you cope? I often think about this, especially after learning that around 6 million people suffer from chronic pain in their bodies. I've come to understand that physiotherapy is often a vital part of their treatment, helping to reduce that never-ending pain and bring relief. This realization has only strengthened my resolve to pursue this career and dedicate myself to helping others in their journey toward recovery.

My inspiration comes from my Nana, whose own struggles with pain and discomfort led me to understand just how transformative physiotherapy can be.

Watching her manage her condition has made me realize the profound impact physiotherapists can have on people's lives. It's more than just a proff. profession; it's about making a difference in the world, one patient at a time.

Becoming a physiotherapist won't be easy. There will be challenges, setbacks, and setbacks along the way. But I am determined to push through them. I know the road ahead won't always be smooth, but I am ready to face the hurdles. Knowing that each step brings me closer to my goal. In the end, I will achieve my dream because of my passion, dedication, and unwavering commitment to helping others. My future as a physiotherapist is within reach, and I won't stop until I've made it a reality.

Written and decorated by

Alaura Succorello

St. Augustine's School

Key Dates:

Please see our website [calendar](#) (dates subject to change)

7th – 21st Apr Easter Holidays

- 22nd Apr** Children return to school 8.40am
Year 6 Parent consultations 1pm – 5pm
- 24th Apr** Come and Read Year 2 2.45pm
- 28th Apr** Class photos
Year 3 Swimming Lessons (6 weeks)
- 29th Apr** Father Julian visiting Year 5
- 30th Apr** Whole School Easter Mass 9.15am
- 2nd May** John Warner Football & Netball Tournament (Yr 3 & 4)
- 5th May** School closed – bank holiday
- 6th May** Father Julian visiting Year 3
- 11th May** First Holy Communions (St Augustine's Church)
- 12th – 15th May** Year 6 SATS
- 14th – 15th May** Year 5 SPEC Trip
- 16th May** Year 6 Trip to park
SAPTA Non uniform day
- 18th May** First Holy Communions (St Augustine's Church)
- 20th May** Father Julian visiting Year 1
- 23rd May** May Procession at St Cross 9.30am
- 26th - 30th May** Half Term
- 2nd June** Children return to school
- 2nd – 6th June** Year 6 PGL trip
- 3rd June** Father Julian visiting Year 2
- 6th June** Cricket Tournament John Warner 9am
- 11th June** Nursery Toddle
- 12th June** Come and Read Year 4 2.45pm
SAPTA Father's Day Sale
- 13th June** Sports Day
- 17th June** Year 2 Royal Gunpowder Mills Trip
Father Julian visiting Nursery and Reception
Netball Tournament Year 5 & 6
- 19th June** Whole School Mass (Corpus Christi) 9.15am
Aspens smoothie making workshop
- 20th June** St Mary's Football & Netball Tournament

Happy Birthday!

- Nursery:** Lenny, Francesco & Sienna F
- Reception:** Matilda
- Year 1:** Alessio S
- Year 2:** Luna, Harry S & Sienna-Lou
- Year 3:** Christian, Emay & Joseph
- Year 4:** Sofia & Elizabeth
- Year 6:** Teddy & Joel

Wishing you, another fabulous birthday full of God's blessing.

Gold Book Award

- Nursery:** Mauro
- Reception:** Rocco
- Year 1:** Giorgia
- Year 2:** Henry
- Year 3:** Emelia
- Year 4:** Nana
- Year 5:** Sofia-Mia
- Year 6:** Juliette

Congratulations on your effort this week!



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child's absence.

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