



St. Augustine's News

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

11th July 2025

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Dear Parents,

The end of a school year is always busy, but we seem to have taken it to new levels this year. We are truly blessed to have so much to do, and I am reminded of the famous quote from Roosevelt: "Far and away the best prize life offers is the chance to work hard at work worth doing."

Congratulations to our Year 6 children who this week shared two magnificent performances of 'Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies'. Unfortunately, I was unable to watch the evening performance because I had the Local Governors Meeting! I have been told by those who watched that the children were amazing and did themselves proud. I am grateful to Mrs. Baldwin and Mrs. Rudd for all the work they have put into preparing such a fantastic show.

Year 1 and Year 3 made their way to Barclay Park on Wednesday, and what wonderful experiences they had! Year 1 thoroughly enjoyed pond dipping and found some beastly bugs! Meanwhile, Year 3 pupils enjoyed an exciting team-building trip to Barclay Park. Working in small groups, the children completed ten challenges around the park that encouraged teamwork and learning in an outdoor setting. These challenges included comprehension tasks based on the information found on the park's display boards, using their maths skills to calculate the perimeter of different areas, creating artwork using natural materials found in the environment, and learning a simple dance choreography, which they performed together.

The trip supported many aspects of the Year 3 curriculum. It helped reinforce their understanding of animal classification, gave them practical experience using a compass, and deepened their knowledge of the legacy of Robert Barclay, after whom the park is named. The children had an amazing time working together, exploring nature, and applying their classroom learning in a real-world context. Their enthusiasm and teamwork throughout the day were truly impressive, making it a memorable experience for all involved.

This week your child will have met their new class teacher. Once again, we have a very strong teaching and support team and I am looking forward to working with them in the new academic year again.

Year 3 led a beautiful, reverent and respectful assembly this morning, explaining and showing their understanding of their journey through their faith and linking the Eucharist with the Last Supper and Passover. Well done.

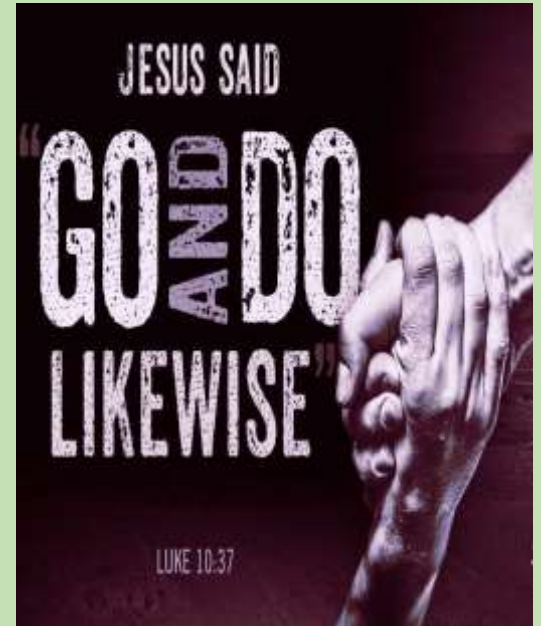
Finishing today with The 'A' Factor - as Simon said, I didn't like it... I loved it! Thank you to our Governors Mr. Steve Britto aka Simon Cowell and Mrs. Alex Hanou, aka Amanda Holden. Congratulations to 1st Place winner Esme, 2nd Place Year 4 Girls and in 3rd Place Connor.

Please note, your child will be bringing home their school report with results and attendance sheet today. Should you have any queries, please contact the office to make an appointment.

On Wednesday your child will need a bag to bring home their **books**.

Mrs. Joanne Walsh

Sunday 13th July 2025
Luke 10:25-37



Attendance Award

Congratulations to Year 3

Reception:	98.9%
Year 1:	98.7%
Year 2:	94.8%
Year 3:	99.3%
Year 4:	95.0%
Year 5:	96.0%
Year 6:	92.7%

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.

Key Dates:

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

- 14th July Swimming Year 4 - 6
- 16th July Whole School Mass 9:15am
- 17th July Year 6 Leavers Assembly 2:30pm inc Celebration Assembly
Nursery closes 2:40pm
- 18th July School closes 1:30pm for Summer Holidays
- 4th Sept Children return to school 8.40am
- 10th Sept Curriculum Evening 6pm Parents only
- 15th – 19th Sept Year 5 Bikeability
- 23rd Sept Individual school photos

Happy Birthday!

- Nursery: Crew
- Year 2: Harry
- Year 3: Jimmy & Aaron
- Year 5: Elia
- Year 6: Lilly E

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

Gold Book Award

- Nursery: Lia
- Reception: Araliya
- Year 1: Alessio S
- Year 2: Max L
- Year 3: Luca C
- Year 4: Olivia
- Year 5: Oliver R
- Year 6: Rebecca

Congratulations on your effort this week!

Talent Show



Park Trip

