



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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Executive Head Mrs. Joanne Walsh

Dear Parents,

I wanted to share some wonderful happenings this week. First, a heartfelt thank you to all families who have donated dry food products for the Broxbourne Food Bank. There is still time to bring donations on Monday and Tuesday, with the Foodbank collecting on Wednesday morning.

A special mention to our Chaplaincy Team who delivered a Harvest Assembly this morning. They reminded us about the celebration of Harvest - a time to thank God for our blessings and reflect on the importance of sharing with those less fortunate.

This week has been filled with memorable moments. I particularly enjoyed having lunch with our 'Where's Wally' winners, hearing about their experiences both in and outside of school. It is always a joy to connect with our pupils in these special moments.

Our Year 6 pupils had an incredibly informative afternoon at Crucial Crew, learning vital life skills including train safety and online safety. These experiences are so important for their personal wider development.

We are currently exploring Black History Month with the theme of 'Standing Firm in Power and Pride'. Our curriculum is carefully designed to ensure pupils experience a rich, inclusive learning environment that goes far beyond a single month of recognition. Our goal is not just to teach history, but to inspire our pupils to recognise the power of resilience, creativity, and determination across all communities

Our pupils are diligently working through assessments this week. These results will provide Teachers with an excellent foundation for discussions during Parents' Evening next week, which I am looking forward to.

A few important notices:

- Year 6 parents: Secondary school application process closes on 31st October. Only 12 parents have completed the online application - please act soon!
- Non-uniform day next Friday 24th - please support SAPTA with raffle prizes
- Eco Council's Bring and Buy Sale on Friday afternoon – they are seeking donations of nearly new unwanted games

During the October half term, we will be installing automated gates with an intercom system at the pedestrian gate. The gates will remain open at the start and end of the school day.

Have a restful weekend.

Mrs Joanne Walsh



Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary
Time Sunday 19th October
Luke 18:1-8



Attendance Award

Congratulations to Reception

Reception: 100%

Year 1: 93.7%

Year 2: 98.0%

Year 3: 99.0%

Year 4: 95.5%

Year 5: 99.3%

Year 6: 96.7%

Whole school target 96%

**Please see the guidance below for if
your child should be in school**

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

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)

21st Oct	Flu immunisations
22nd Oct	Year 6 Mass 9:15am Parents Evening 2-8pm
23rd Oct	Come and read Year 3 2:45pm
24th Oct	Non Uniform Day- Raffle prizes Eco-council Bring & Buy Sale
27th – 31st Oct Half Term – school closed	
3rd Nov	Children back to school
5th Nov	Year 5 Mass 9:15am
6th Nov	Come and Read Year 4 2:45pm
12th Nov	Year 4 Mass 9:15am Computing STEM Day
14th Nov	John Warner Netball & Football Tournament Years 5 & 6
28th Nov	Decorate the Classroom Day Travelling Nativity Begins
3rd Dec	Year 6 Mass 9:15am
5th Dec	Year 6 Festival of Carols 9:30am
8th Dec	Year 1 & 2 Nativity 2:00pm & 6:00pm
10th Dec	Nursery & Reception Nativity 9:30am Flu immunisations mop-up
11th Dec	Trust Carol Service 2:00pm (St Augustine's Church)
17th Dec	School Carol Service (Reception to Year 6, St Augustine's Church)
18th Dec	Christmas Lunch Christmas Jumper Day (jumper to be worn over uniform) Rocksteady Concert 2:15pm Nursery closes 2.40pm
19th Dec	Whole School Mass 9:15am School close 1:30pm
6th Jan	Children return to school
16th Jan	School Nurse visiting Reception (1 st Cohort)
19th – 23rd Jan	Year 3 – 6 Intra Netball Tournament
22nd Jan	Choir Young Voices Trip

Happy Birthday!

Year 2:	Ava
Year 3:	Dario
Year 4:	Julietta, Matteo, Olivia-Rose & Rocco
Year 6:	Dolly-Rae & Fori

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

Gold Book Award

Nursery:	Nelly
Reception:	Maria
Year 1:	Jensen
Year 2:	Ace
Year 3:	Max T
Year 4:	Gracie
Year 5:	Honey-Mae
Year 6:	Ryan

Congratulations on your effort this week!



Parents Evening

The Parents Evening booking system will open Friday 3rd October at 18:00 and close on Monday 20th October at 9:00am. Please click on the below link to access the log in page.

<https://staugustinesrcschool.schoolcloud.co.uk/>