



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 and Carers,

The week began on a very positive note with our Intra-House Netball Tournament. Mrs Faulkner was delighted to see how well the children played and commented on the excellent sportsmanship shown, with pupils being very supportive of one another throughout the games.

Unfortunately, due to the persistent wet weather since Wednesday, we have been unable to complete the remainder of the tournament. With the weather forecast predicting continued rainfall over the next two weeks, we have made the decision to postpone the Intra-House Netball Tournament until there is a good spell of dry weather. We will contact you again when the tournament is able to resume and will advise when children should come to school wearing their P.E. kits. Thank you in advance for your continued support and understanding.

Last night, St Augustine's Choir, led by Mr White, had the incredible opportunity to perform at the O2 as part of the largest children's choir in the world – 'Young Voices'! Through experiences like these, children discover their voices, grow in confidence, and feel part of something truly extraordinary, all while developing a lifelong love of music. The children were accompanied and supported by Mrs Faulkner and Mrs Woolford. Their behaviour was impeccable throughout the event, and we are extremely proud of them. Well done to all involved!

Please see the attached letter regarding how we will be reporting to you on your child's progress this year, along with information about Book Looks and Parents' Evening.

Thank you to Mrs Johnson for organising the Sleep and Anxiety Workshop for parents, which was held in school last night. The session was well received and provided valuable guidance on how we can support our children's wellbeing. One parent commented that the workshop was "a great help" and highlighted how, by working together, we can nurture resilience in our children. We are grateful to Miss Rama for making this opportunity available to our school community.

We kindly ask parents to be mindful when dropping children off at Breakfast Club. Recently, some cars have been parked across the gate while staff are trying to access the school site parking. Your cooperation in keeping the gate clear is greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your ongoing support. **Mrs Joanne Walsh**

Sunday 25th January 2026
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
John 4: 12 – 23

'Immediately they left their nets and followed him.'



Attendance Award

Congratulations to Year 4

Reception:	90.0%
Year 1:	93.1%
Year 2:	94.1%
Year 3:	94.2%
Year 4:	97.6%
Year 5:	97.3%
Year 6:	94.3%

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)

27th Jan	Father Julian visiting Year 6
3rd Feb	Father Julian visiting Year 3
9th – 13th Feb	Year 1 & 2 Intra Football Tournament Women in Science Week, Mental Health Week & Safer Internet with AI Week
11th Feb	VR Workshop
12th Feb	Year 3 trip to Waltham Abbey Gardens
16th - 20th Feb Half Term – school closed	
23rd Feb	Children return to school NSPCC Assembly (Whole School)
24th Feb	Father Julian visiting Year 1
25th Feb	NSPCC Workshop (Years 2, 5 & 6)
3rd Mar	Father Julian visiting Year 2
4th Mar	Year 5 & 6 Mass (parents welcome)
5th Mar	World Book Day
6th Mar	Indoor Athletics (Broxbourne School) School nurse visiting Reception (2 nd Cohort)
9th-13th Mar	British Science Week
10th Mar	Cranbourne Football Tournament (Y5 & 6 A Team)
11th Mar	Rocksteady Concert (Wednesday Students, tickets only) 2.15pm
18th Mar	Reconciliation Year 6 Stations of the Cross 2:15pm (parents welcome)
19th Mar	Broxbourne Netball Tournament (Year 5 & 6)
23rd Mar	Judaism Week Reconciliation Year 5
24th Mar	Year 1 Trip (The Hive) Reconciliation Year 4
25th Mar	Easter Play (Years 3 & 4) 2pm & 6pm Year 4 Silent Disco Workshop (In School)
26th Mar	Rocksteady Concert (Thursday students & tickets only) 2.15pm Nursery closes 2.40pm
27th Mar	Year 5 & 6 B Team Football Tournament (Cranbourne School) School closes 1.30pm

Happy Birthday!

Year 1: Tommy & Sienna

Year 5: Ava-Grace

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

Gold Book Award

Nursery: Gabriella

Reception: Raphael

Year 1: Sienna- Mae

Year 2: Ava

Year 3: Alessio R

Year 4: Christian

Year 5: Constance

Year 6: Fori

Congratulations on your effort this week!

Consultation on Admissions Policy

St Augustine's Primary School is consulting on the proposed admissions arrangements for the school year 2027/28 and is seeking responses from parent/carers, schools and community groups. Please visit the website on the link below to view the proposed arrangements.

<https://www.staugustines.herts.sch.uk/page/?title=Admissions&pid=57>