



St Augustine's News



A message from Mrs Pierce

Africa Week has been a wonderful end to the half term, drawing many areas of our learning together in an engaging and exciting way! Our Harvest Collective Worship on Wednesday reminded us of the importance of this time of year in the Christian calendar. Thank you all for your kind donations of food which will be passed onto the Food Bank over the holidays.

It takes a lot of planning and hard work to organise our whole-school themed weeks so I would like to thank Mrs Grange very much for leading our first one.

SAFETY WEEK

Our next whole-school week will take place after half term and will be SAFETY WEEK. You will receive details of the week's events today. We are asking all children, if they wish, to come to school on Mon 2nd Nov dressed as a "Net Nasty" (bug/alien/monster) to tie in with our e-safety work. There are some pictures on your information letter to give you some ideas.

UPPER SCHOOL PARENTS' MORNING - A CHANGE OF DATE

Upper School Parents' Morning has been advertised as being on 10th November. A number of teachers are out of school training on that day so we have moved the date to TUESDAY 24th NOVEMBER. I apologise for any inconvenience this may cause and hope that you will still be able to join us.

PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE

Thank you to all parents who filled in our Parent Questionnaire at Parents' Evening or via ParentMail. We know that your support and involvement is a key factor in your child's success at school so your opinions are very important to us. If you haven't had chance to complete a questionnaire and would like to do so, please let us know.

LEARNING LINKS

I hope you have all now received information about "Learning Links" which will begin after half-term on Tuesday afternoons 2-3pm. These will be informal "drop-in" sessions - no need to book a place or commit to coming every week- and will be led by our teachers. "Learning Links" afternoons will be an opportunity for you to:

- 1) learn more about how we teach areas of the curriculum so that you can be more informed about what your child is learning in class;
- 2) ask questions about the way your child is taught; and
- 3) find out about ways that you can help support your child's learning at home.

Autumn Term themes will begin with reading led by Mrs Brattan on Tues 3rd and 10th November, so please come along if you can. If you would like any further information or have any questions please pop in and have a chat.

GREEN CARD HALF TERM TREAT

As you know, our children receive a "Green Card Treat" on Fridays if they have kept their Green Card all week and have been promised a "Big Treat" if they keep their Green Card all half-term. I am delighted to inform you that almost 200 children have achieved this! Their treat is a secret but will take place on the first day back. It would be helpful if your child could bring gloves on treat day if they have a pair.

WEBSITE

A reminder that our website goes down at the end of the week for its "makeover". We will keep you posted on progress. In the meantime, please contact the school office for any information you require.

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL

After the half-term holiday, we will again be supporting the 'Poppy Appeal' and will be selling merchandise in school from Monday 2nd November at break-times. Alongside the traditional poppy we will be selling wristbands, flexi rulers, hair clips, pencils....the list goes on (the suggested donation for these items vary from £1 to 50p). If you wish for your child to buy these items in school, please send the money in with your child in a wallet or purse for safe-keeping. Many thanks to all parents and carers for your continued support.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE MONDAY 14TH DECEMBER

The countdown to Christmas will be well on its way once we return to school after the half-term break! In anticipation, we would like to share with you the diary date for our School Christmas Fayre of Monday 14th December from 3pm. There will be the usual host of traditional festive stalls, Christmas Stocking fillers made by Upper School to tempt you and fun and games for all to be had. As this is very much a community event, we will be having a 'Christmas Jumper' day for all children and staff in school on Friday 4th December, which coincides with our annual festive outing to the Key Theatre to see the pantomime 'Aladdin'. We would ask that on this day, children bring into school donations of raffle prizes, tombola treats and second hand toys and books so that we can make the fayre an enjoyable event for all and raise funds for our school. Nearer the time, we will send out more information on the fayre and we welcome any ideas or suggestions from you in the meantime.

AWARDS

Stars of the Week

Every week, each class teacher nominates a child who has been a wonderful example to others through their effort, attitude to learning, their behaviour or kindness. This week's winners are: Layla, Eva M, Frank, Narcis, Rebecca M, Rebecca F, Dylan B-L & Skaiva

Well done, we are very proud of you all.

Lunchtime Cup



Lunchtime points are awarded for a weekly goal. This week our midday supervisors have given points to children who have been kind & helpful to adults and children. I am delighted to announce that Mrs Potter's class earned the most points this week and were awarded our Lunchtime Cup. They will also have the privilege of sitting on benches during Collective Worship next week.



TOP 4

A big "well done" to the following children who earned the most House points in their class this week.

Miss Downs' Class - Elena, Safi, Lewis, Eva
Mrs Ford's Class - Zuhra, Justin, Gianluca, Kyle
Mrs Potter's Class - Omar, Quinn, Frank, Ayesha
Mrs Tomlinson's Class - Louie, Rose, Louis, Katelin
Mrs Ashby's Class - Harvey, Alan, Rebecca M, Angelina
Mrs Brattan's Class - Gracie, Ana, Nicole, Martha
Mr Hurford's Class - Arina, Dylan, Maryan, Daniel
Miss Wilkinson's Class - Lily-May, Panche, Hope, Skaiva

AT THE HALFWAY MARK, St LUKE ARE CURRENTLY IN THE LEAD WITH 2913 HOUSE POINTS, FOLLOWED BY St MARK (2871), St PETER (2740) AND St JOHN (2707). WITH ONLY 206 POINTS BETWEEN FIRST AND LAST PLACES, ANY HOUSE COULD WIN THE AUTUMN TERM CUP AND CHOOSE AN END OF TERM HOUSE TREAT!

Attendance Cup winners last week Mr Hurford's Class
Attendance Cup winners this week Miss Down's Class