

Feb 12th 2016



St Augustine's News



A Message From Mrs Pierce

It was wonderful to see so many of you at Parents' Evening this week. I was delighted to hear so many positive comments about the school.

I hope you all received a Parents' Survey which has also been sent via Parentmail. Your comments and suggestions are very important to us. As well as asking for your views on "Learning Links", we are also very keen to develop the use of volunteers in school. Adults are always very welcome in school to support our children with various activities but we would also be grateful for volunteers to help us develop the school grounds (especially as the weather starts to warm up!) and our school environment. I have bought a playhouse that needs erecting and have lots of painting jobs lined up if anyone is interested? Mrs Grange and her Green Warriors have arranged for every class to have a planter in which they will be growing flowers and vegetables after the holidays and they would always be grateful for any help planting, weeding and tidying our school grounds. If you or any member of your family could spare us as little as an hour a week please let us know via the survey. We would be very grateful if you could complete and return your survey to the school office by Friday 26th February.

I do hope that you have a relaxing half term break and that the sun shines on us at least for some of the week.

GREEN CARD TREAT

Huge congratulations to every child who kept their Green Card for the whole half term. I am extremely pleased to see that it is the vast majority of the school. These children will begin the new half term with a special treat!

MATHS WEEK - Mr Hurford

It has been an exciting week this week because it was maths themed week! The week was based on the times tables, with the children completing times table related activities and investigations. The week culminated in the first ever St Augustine's Maths Quiz! The participants did very well, equally the audience did amazingly to answer questions mentally. The quiz ended in a draw with St John and St Luke coming out with the same amount of points. Congratulations to everyone involved. During the week, each class was given a specific times table, that they had to create a song about. The results were fantastic, the songs were really creative and memorable.

SAVE PAPER DAY - Mrs Grange

As a finale to the Green Warriors' Save Paper campaign, Last Friday saw us hold a Save Paper Day, run by the Green Warriors to highlight the school's reliance on paper and how we could reduce the amounts used in a typical school day. As part of the day, pupils were taught lessons without using any paper as well as each class decorating their waste paper bins for a competition - congratulations to Miss Wilkinson's class on winning! The Green Warriors also ran a Save Paper Mascot competition - well done to Oliwia from Lower School for her winning design!



Oliwia's Winning Design

Y4 SPORTS EVENT - Mrs Potter

I was proud to take 15 girls and 15 boys to Nene Park Academy last Friday for a sports morning. We competed against 3 local schools and were particularly successful in the track events, coming first or second in all races. Despite not winning the event, our children showed excellent sportsmanship and the staff at Nene Park academy have since emailed to thank us for bringing such polite and enthusiastic children. I'm proud of them all!

MATHS CHALLENGE - Miss Downs

On Friday 5th February, two children from lower school were chosen to represent our school at Hampton Hargate Primary School for a whole day of very tricky maths challenges. The two children were Mode Olawumni (year 3) and Ayesha Aziz-Ahmed (year 4). The children thoroughly enjoyed the day and demonstrated a range of maths knowledge from fractions to measures. The challenges tested their practical and investigative skills, which they showed in abundance! I was extremely proud of the two children as they persevered and showed resilience throughout a series of tough challenges. At the end of the day it was revealed that they had won the most points out of all the children from the different schools in Peterborough. They were very proud of themselves and received many compliments about how they positively represented St Augustine's. Well done Mode and Ayesha!



INTERNET SAFETY DAY- Mrs Ford

On Tuesday 9th February it was National Safer Internet Day, with the theme 'Play your part for a better internet!' We spent the day promoting the safe, responsible and positive use of digital technology. Starting the day with a clear message, our House Captains presented the Inter-House Online Safety Awareness competition. Each house gathered a team of digital ambassadors who created a video/animation which would help to spread this positive message. The winning house will be announced next week and their campaign will feature on the new school website.

SPRING TERM DATES

Friday 12th Feb - Break up for half term

Mon 22nd Feb - Back to School

Weds 24th Feb- Kingswood parent's information meeting in school hall from 3.00pm

KINGSWOOD RESIDENTIAL TRIP

We are fast approaching our lower school residential trip to Kingswood and the parent information evening will take place on Wednesday 24th February at 3pm. Can you please ensure that you have returned your medical information forms to school before this meeting.

AWARDS

Stars of the Week

Every week, each class teacher nominates a child who been a wonderful example to others through their effort, attitude to learning, their behaviour or kindness. This week's winners are: Eva A, Nathasha M, India W, Liam K, Samuel J-M, Ali Suleman, Eva D-G and Jake Bentham

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 for following the new set of lunchtime rules that have been displayed in the hall. I am delighted to announce that Miss Downs' Class earned the most points this week and were awarded our Lunchtime Cup. Winners of the lunchtime cup now have the privilege of going into lunch first every day of the following 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 - Arian G-R, Arthur M, Jaime C, Safi S
Mrs Ford's Class - Matthew M, Oscar B, Natasha M, Archie J
Mrs Potter's Class - Elleyse G, Mia R-D, India W, Krzysztof C
Mrs Tomlinson's Class - Liam K, Nathan M, Saniya S, Mya D
Mrs Ashby's Class - Samuel J-M, Alexander R, Erin E, Richard V
Mrs Brattan's Class - Isabelle L, Ana A, David D, Murilo D
Mr Hurford's Class - Dylan B-L, Ethan B, Erica B, Evie H
Miss Wilkinson's Class - Melissa K, Skaiva J, Leah F, Julia K

Half termly House point totals are as follows:

St. John - 2572

St. Luke-2790

St. Mark - 3056

St. Peter - 2898

Attendance Cup winner this week is Mrs Tomlinson's Class



