

Jan 21st 2016



St Augustine's News



A Message From Mrs Pierce

You have probably heard that we had an alien craft land on our school field over the weekend! This caused a great deal of excitement and all our children spent Monday finding out about where the spacecraft might have come from, analysing rocks and substances found on the craft and interviewing eye-witnesses and a UFO expert. They will be writing newspaper reports of the event over the next few weeks.



COOL MILK

Unfortunately our Cool Milk scheme did not start this week as planned due to a logistical problem with our deliveries. This has now been addressed and we look forward to launching next week! Cool Milk has assured us that any charges made to parents in relation to this week will be cancelled but if you have any questions please feel free to speak to Miss Boyer in the school office. If you are interested in registering your child to have milk delivered at school then it is never too late to do so; just collect a Cool Milk leaflet from the school office. Please note that no payments are accepted at the school office for the provision of milk. For your information, the milk is delivered in individual cartons specifically for the number of children who have pre-registered for the scheme and are handed out to the children at break-time.

PETERBOROUGH DRAMA FESTIVAL

Sadly, I have still not had enough volunteers from Lower School to enter a choral speaking group into the Festival so we will not be able to take part this year.

GUITAR AND DRUMMING MUSIC LESSONS

The tutors, Mr Roccio and Mr Marcos, showcased their talents in the guitar and drums in a whole school assembly on Tuesday 19th January, which was well received by the children. The response to taking up lessons in these instruments has been really positive; we will let you know in writing by Friday 29th January if your child has been successful in getting a space. You will then be issued an invoice for the Spring Term (total of 7 weeks at charge of £5 per session) which you will have to pay in advance to secure your child's place, with the view to starting lessons Wednesday 3rd February. If you have any queries, please contact Miss Lees in the School Office.

LEARNING LINKS

Our final session of "Learning Links" will take place next Tuesday, 26th Jan, which will be led by Mr Hurford and will focus on multiplication and division. We had a good turn out last week and very positive feedback so please come along at 6pm if you are able - no need to book a place.

I will be asking you to fill in a questionnaire at Parents' evenings in which I would be really grateful for your ideas for possible future "Learning Links" topics, or anything else that you feel would help you to support your child's learning at home.

ACCESS THROUGH ST. AUGUSTINE'S SITE IN THE MORNING

As we know, many parents and carers access Brewster Avenue Infant and Nursery School through our school site once dropping off children with us. We would like to remind parents that, as the school day starts at 8.50am, we will be locking the school gates at the top of the steps leading to Brewster Avenue shortly after this time. We will also lock the gate nearest to the church concurrently. If you need to return to Palmerston Road, we ask that you use the public pathway which you can access alongside Tesco Metro on Oundle Road. Any children who are late arriving at school should **ALWAYS** enter via the main school reception so that they can be registered. Our children's safety is paramount and the school site cannot be used as a general thoroughfare after the children have started their learning. Unfortunately, some members of staff have been verbally abused whilst locking the gates and this is not acceptable. We appreciate your support.

SPRING TERM DATES

Thurs 28th Jan - 10am Mrs Ford's Class Worship in church - parents welcome
Thurs 4th Feb - 10am Mrs Brattan's Class Worship in school - parents welcome
Weds 10th Feb - Parents' evening 3pm-5.30pm
Thurs 11th Feb - 10am Mrs Tomlinson's Class Worship in school - parents welcome
Thurs 11th Feb - Parents' evening 4pm-6.30pm
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

AWARDS

Golden Pen Award

Our two winners this fortnight of the Golden Pen Award are Mode Olawunmi & Jake Hughes.



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: Oliver N, Gianluca C, Emilija Z, Mya D, Cameron J, Hollie W, Nikita Z, Mihaela C

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 Wilkinson's 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 - Andriana R, Lewis P, Stephanie H, Arthur M
Mrs Ford's Class - Luke D, Laura M, Oliwia C, Gianluca C
Mrs Potter's Class - Grace W, Elleyse G, Emily H, Tyson S
Mrs Tomlinson's Class - Nathan M, Louis R, Casey B, Amy J
Mrs Ashby's Class - Jessica W, Piotr A, Jack C, Alan N
Mrs Brattan's Class - Nicole W, Kamile P, Ali S, Martha W-D
Mr Hurford's Class - Erica B, Raiba A, Dylan B-L, Evie H
Miss Wilkinson's Class - Lorenzo C, Lily-May S, Shea G, Bradley K

Attendance Cup winner this week is Mrs Potter's Class

