

September 30th 2016



St Augustine's News

A Message From Mrs Pierce

The weeks are flying by and we are already at the end of September, I can hardly believe it! As the weather starts to turn autumnal we would still like to use our outside spaces as much as possible so it would be really helpful if you could ensure that your child has a change of footwear in school. We do not allow anyone to play on the trim trail, tyres or the school field without a change of footwear. Wellies are great for the paddock area and we have welly racks by each cloakroom door so they can be kept out of lockers. We have a small stock of school wellies which can be used by children for playing in the paddock area when the grass is very wet and would like more, so if you have any at home that you no longer need please let me have them!

I am teaching one morning a week this year and have already spent two great mornings with Murray class and Welby class. I have been delighted to see such engaged and enthusiastic learners and have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know our new children a little better. They have certainly made a fantastic start to the year.

Geography Themed Week

Starting on Monday 17th October we are having our first themed week of the year and it will focus on Geography field work skills with a little history as well! We are looking for any parents or family members/friends who have knowledge of the Stone Age (for Years 3 and 4) or The Military (for years 5 and 6) for children to interview. Or maybe you are a Geographer and willing to share your expertise across all the year groups. If you are able to join us during our themed week we would love to hear from you. If this is the case, please speak to your child's class teacher or Mrs Grange. Thank you!

Parent Governor Vacancy

As communicated with you in last week's newsletter, we currently have a vacancy for a Parent Governor. Our Governors play a vital and active role in leading our school; if you feel that you are:

- Committed to our school's ongoing development;
- Are able to attend regular Governor meetings; and
- Are happy to be the school's 'Critical Friend'....

Please express your interest to the Head teacher in writing by Friday 7th October. If you would like to discuss the role further, Mrs Widmann- Dardis, who currently acts as a Governor in school, would be happy to discuss the role and time commitment involved.

Big thankyou from MacMillan!

We would like to thank you for all your generous donations for the MacMillan coffee morning today and we were delighted that so many of you could join us to help raise money for this worthy cause. The children were happily buying cakes during the morning's tuck-shop! We will report to you the

grand total of money raised in next week's newsletter. Please put the following date in your diaries: on the 21st October, there will be a dress-down day for the children for a small donation in aid of Cancer Research UK.

After School Clubs

The first full week of clubs will run next week. For those parents and carers who are new to the school, please be reassured that all children go directly from their classroom to the club at the end of the school day. We ask that parents and carers pick up their child at 4.00pm promptly from the School Office at the end of the club. If you wish for alternative arrangements, please inform the School Office who will be picking up your child.

Reminders

The Year 4 Residential letter to Kingswood in March 2017 has been sent home to all children in year 4. If you are interested in your child taking part, please return the permission slip to the School Office by the 7th October. Further, a letter has been sent to all children in Upper School (years 5 and 6) regarding an educational day at Ely Cathedral on Wednesday 12th October. Please ensure that the consent form, along with the contribution towards the transport, is returned to the School Office as soon as possible.

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: Darren, Patrycja, Oscar, Tiffany, Abraham A, Gianluca C, Amir B, Nicholas A. Well done, we are very proud of you all.



Lunchtime Cup

I am delighted to announce that the lunchtime cup was won by *Glennie Class* which earned the most lunchtime points this week and was awarded our Lunchtime Cup. The children have the



House Point Totals

St John 1,273	St Mark 1,378
St Luke 1,298	St Peter 1,369

privilege of going into lunch first every day next week.

TOP 4

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

Murray Class - Mariella A, Layla C, Leo, Rhys S-H

Ross Class - Atharva, Giulio, Benjamin, Krzystof

Welby Class - India, Safi, Orla, Akshaya

Simmonds Class - Amy, Daniel, Stephanie, Logan

Attenborough Class - Lewis, Narcis, Michael M, Elleyse

Glennie Class - Nathan, Kyle, Quinn, Maddie

Newton Class - Kamile, Shea, Victoria, Martha

Farah Class - Arina, Harry, Piotr, Alfie

Attendance Cup

Our Attendance Cup winner's this week is Ross Class!

