

December 2nd 2016



St Augustine's News

A Message From Mrs Pierce

Today we look forward to welcoming back our Y6 children who have spent the week at Aylmerton Field Studies Centre. I went over to see them on Wednesday and they were all having a wonderful time. Opportunities like this take a lot of planning and hard work so I would like to say a huge thank you to the adults who have spent a week away from their own families to accompany Y6 this week. Thank you Mr Hurford, Mr Fisher, Mrs Kehoe, Mrs Grange and Mrs Massey! I wish you all a very well-deserved restful weekend.

St AJ's Cafe

The first Attenborough Reading Cafe last week was a great success as the children and parents/carers thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The craft activity was a particular highlight, which allowed the infant children attending our cafe to get stuck in and have a social and exciting morning! Attenborough class would like to say a huge thank you to the parents/carers that attended and we cannot wait to host you again for another St AJ's Reading Cafe!

DATE	CLASS	DATE	CLASS	DATE	CLASS
TUES 6 th DEC	SIMMONDS	7 th FEB	ATTENBOROUGH	2 nd MAY	ATTENBOROUGH
TUES 13 th DEC	ROSS	7 th MARCH	WELBY	9 th MAY	WELBY
TUES 20 th DEC	MURRAY	14 th MARCH	SIMMONDS	23 rd MAY	SIMMONDS
17 th JAN	NEWTON	21 st MARCH	ROSS	13 th JUNE	ROSS
24 th JAN	FARAH	28 th MARCH	MURRAY	20 th JUNE	MURRAY
31 st JAN	GLENNIE	25 th APRIL	GLENNIE		

The story café runs from 9.15am through to 10.30am- you are welcome to attend for however long you are able! Refreshments will be served and you are welcome to bring any younger children with you to participate.



Morning Routine

As from Monday 5th December, our School Caretaker will be patrolling the school car park and entranceway from 8.30-8.50am. Her role will be managing the flow of traffic, making sure that all parents and carers driving into school adhere to the 5 mile an hour limit and also that parking is restricted at the school gates (there will be school cones placed outside during this time). We would ask that due respect is given to Mrs Ovenall as she works diligently trying to ensure that the morning arrival at school is as safe as it can be for all of our school community.

Provisional Pen Licences

After working hard on the presentation of their handwriting in all subjects, we were delighted to hand out our first provisional pen licenses in worship today. A big congratulations to Rebeka and Samuel from Newton Class; Jaime from Attenborough class; Saniya, Evita, Nathen and William from Glennie; Atharva from Ross class; Akshaya and Hope from Welby class and Hamsini from Murray class. When all the teachers got together in order to agree on who was ready for a provisional license, it was clear that lots of children were very close so we look forward to handing out many more licenses over the next few weeks.



Outstanding money owed to school

We are fast approaching the end of the Autumn Term and would ask that any money owed to the school for school dinners, music lessons, residential or after-school club activities is paid promptly to the School Office. As reminded to you on several occasions, the school cannot subsidise these activities through the school budget and we would like to start the new year, 2017, with all balances settled. Many thanks for your understanding and if you have any issues whatsoever in paying any outstanding balances, please contact the School Office.

Parent Governor Election

The results of our Parent Governor Election are in and I am delighted to announce that the position has been awarded to Mrs Hilary Hull. I would like to thank Ms Kate Marsh-Baxter for putting herself forward for another term and also thank her for the endless support she has shown to St. Augustine's during her time as a Parent Governor.

Upper School's WW2 Day

The whole of upper school received an extra special visit last week as part of their WW2 topic. Firstly, they met Mr Porter (A Royal Legion Representative) who told them some very exciting stories about what it was like to grow up as a child during World War 2. They then had the opportunity to look at some real life WW2 memorabilia and artefacts and learn about their uses, thanks to David (Eden's Dad), who brought along his fascinating collection. I know the firing of the machine gun was a highlight of the day and caused lots of excitement. We would like to say a massive thank you to David and Tara (Eden's Mum and Dad) for giving up their day and going to so much effort in making a very memorable day for the whole of upper school.

Thursday 8th December - Christmas Jumper Day, Christmas Fayre and Raffle

The school Christmas Fayre is fast approaching! Please come and buy your raffle tickets from the School Office (tickets are 50p each or £2 for a strip of 5). The draw will take place at the Christmas Fayre and there are many fantastic prizes.... 2 x tickets to a Peterborough United match, 1 hour 'Bounce', John Lewis Teddy Bear, a Christmas Hamper and many more! If you have any donations that you would like to make to the Christmas Fayre (tombola, raffle, nearly new toys and books) then please bring them into the School Office as soon as possible. We are also asking for donations of cakes and festive foods on the day. To embrace Christmas cheer, we would ask that children come to school in Christmas jumpers on the day of the fayre for a small donation towards the fundraising efforts. Many thanks for your support as always and we look forward to seeing you there.

Packed lunch option Tuesday 13th December

As several children are out on school trips on Tuesday 13th December, the kitchen will be offering a packed lunch option only on this day. Therefore, your child is welcome to take a school dinner on this day, but it will need to be pre-booked by Friday 9th December so that the kitchen may prepare the packed lunches in advance. This impacts on Ross and Simmonds classes only.

School Library Bus- Fundraising Committee Launch 6th January 2017 at 2.15pm

As you know, we strive to provide an engaging and inspirational learning environment for our children but as for most schools in Peterborough, we are bursting at the seams! There are no plans by the Diocese to expand our school; however, we are struggling to provide dynamic reading spaces for our children so that they can embrace the enjoyment and delights of reading. We strongly believe reading underpins the whole literacy curriculum and helps all children improve their writing and comprehension. Therefore, we are starting an appeal within our local community to ask for help to launch our 'Library Bus'. We have no option but to move the library into an outdoor space and we feel that a 'bus' would give us the ideal footprint for our children to have a library space which they could be proud of and where they could spend many hours escaping into the world of Roald Dahl and David Walliams.

Therefore, we are asking for your help too! In 2017, we are planning to focus all our fundraising activities on making the 'library bus' happen. We need passionate and dedicated parents and carers to help us achieve our goal- if you have some spare time and are willing to get involved in organising events, please come to our launch meeting at school on Friday 6th January 2017 at 2.15pm. We look forward to seeing you then.

Calendar Dates

Thurs 8 th Dec	Attenborough Class Worship in School	Wed 14 th Dec	Ross & Simmonds Class trip to Flag Fen
Thurs 8 th Dec	Christmas Fayre/Christmas Jumper Day	Thurs 15 th Dec	Lower School Nativity 9:15am
Mon 12 th Dec	Report Cards Go Home	Fri 16 th Dec	Lower School Nativity 9:15am
Tues 13 th Dec	Upper School trip to Bletchley Park	Tues 20 th Dec	Disco (Lower School 5-6, Upper School 6.15-7.15)
Tues 13 th Dec	Welby & Murray Class trip to Flag Fen		

Lunchtime Menu

The dinner menu next week is **Week 2:**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Pork & Apple Burger in a Bun	Leek & Ham Pasta Bake with French Bread	Minced Beef Pie with Gravy & Mashed Potatoes	Roast Chicken Breast Fillet, Stuffing & Gravy with Roast Potatoes	Salmon Bites & Chips
Quorn Grill in a Bun	Bean & Vegetable Bake with Diced Potatoes	Falafels in a wrap with Winter Slaw	Quorn Fillet, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Cod Goujons & Chips
Jacket Potato & Baked Beans	Tuna & Cucumber Roll	Ham Salad Baguette	Cheese Salad Wrap	Jacket Potato & Cheese & Winter Slaw

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: **Sonny, Bonice, Casey, Evie, Ayesha, Casey and Arina**



Lunchtime Cup

I am delighted to announce that the lunchtime cup was won by **Attenborough Class** which earned the most lunchtime points this week and was awarded our Lunchtime Cup. The children have the 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 - Emily, Sonny, Abel, Yasmin
Ross Class - Mode, Joshua, Brendon, Patrycja
Welby Class - Akshaya, Adam, Lorenzo, Neve
Simmonds Class - Jake, Millie, Elena, Chris
Attenborough Class - Jaime, Adriana, Liam, Matthew
Glennie Class - Jakub, Jade, Evita, Oliwia
Newton & Farah Class - Rohat, Istvan, Katie, Samuel

House Point Totals

St John 5,195	St Mark 4,777
St Luke 5,089	St Peter 4,940

Attendance Cup

Our Attendance Cup winner's this week are **Attenborough Class!**



Golden Pen / Pencil

Our Golden Pencil winner's today are **Kaitlin & Evie** for demonstrating great effort & improvement in their written work.

