



# St Augustine's Junior



## A Message From Mrs Pierce

I hope you all had a great Easter break. I have spoken to many children who certainly enjoyed their holiday - and their Easter eggs!!

The school year seems to be flying by. I can hardly believe that we are already in our final term. Many Year 6 children began the new term a little early with a SATs Booster Day on the last day of the holidays. All who attended worked very hard and I hope found the day very useful in preparing them for the KS2 SATs which will take place during the week beginning 8<sup>th</sup> May. Many thanks too to all Upper School teachers who also gave up a day of their holidays to help prepare the children for these important tests. If you are the parent of a Year 6 child, please try to ensure that they eat and sleep particularly well over the next few weeks - we need them all to be as healthy and alert as possible!

We finished the Spring Term with an Easter Service in church at which we presented certificates (and a chocolatey treat) to 104 children who had all achieved 100% attendance for the term. Well done to you all. Our whole school attendance for the year so far stands at 96.3%.



## After-School Clubs

Our after-school clubs return to their normal schedule next week and will run right up to the half-term holiday. If your child has registered with an external paid club, please ensure payment for the Summer Term has been made prior to their first session. If you have any queries then please speak to the School Office.

## SATs Week Breakfast Club

Our Year 6 SATs begin on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May and all Year 6 parents should now have received information regarding this week, the timetable SATs papers and details of our ever popular Breakfast Club! Please ensure your children return their reply slip confirming if they are / are not able to attend the Breakfast Club.

### Music Tuition

If your child is taking tuition in a musical instrument at school, you will be receiving an invoice for payment in advance for the lessons for the Summer Term. There has been a slight increase in the charge for music lessons in the violin, saxophone, clarinet and flute to reflect that the children are now receiving tuition in smaller groups and for a longer period. If you are interested in your child having private fee-paying music tuition in the following disciplines: Violin, Saxophone, Clarinet, Flute, Piano, Guitar, Drumming and Singing; please contact the School Office.

### Grandparents' Morning

Your child should have brought a letter home with them this week informing you that our Grandparents' Morning will be taking place on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May. We were incredibly lucky with the weather last year making the picnic lunch a huge success - fingers crossed we are as fortunate this year! Please ensure your reply slips are returned to the School Office, together with payment for the adult lunches, as early as possible to ensure we are able to cater the event accordingly.

### Sponsored Spell

After the success of last year, we have arranged another sponsored spell event for **Friday 5th May**. The children will already have a selection of words to learn and we would appreciate your help in preparing them for the event by helping. Your child could be sponsored a small amount for every word they get correct or a combined amount for taking part. Our plan is to spend any money raised on new books for our school reading areas. Any sponsorship money raised can be handed into the office after the event. We will send home your child's spelling record sheet so you can see how well they do on the day.

### Story Café

Our Story Café kicked off this term with Miss Wilkinson's Glennie Class. We are so pleased with the amount of positive feedback we are receiving week on week and hope that this positivity filters to the parents as we love to see as many of you as possible joining us on a Tuesday morning.

DATE	CLASS	DATE	CLASS	DATE	CLASS
2 <sup>nd</sup> MAY	ATTENBOROUGH	23 <sup>rd</sup> MAY	SIMMONDS	20 <sup>th</sup> JUNE	ROSS
9 <sup>th</sup> MAY	WELBY	13 <sup>th</sup> JUNE	MURRAY		

**\*Please note the new dates in June for Ross & Murray Class**



**"Really sad that it is the last Story Café - hope it's back next year!"**

**"Very enjoyable variety of activities in the session and good to see how teachers interact and question during the story - giving ideas for how to support at home."**

**"Great to see the enthusiasm of the children taking part!"**

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.

### Trainers at lunchtime

As the fair weather settles in, we would encourage all children to bring in spare trainers for morning and lunchtime breaks. All children must change their footwear in school to trainers if they wish to play on the trim trail, tyre park or the climbing frame.

### Lunchtime Menu

The dinner menu next week is **Week 3:**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	Beef Shepherd's Pie & Gravy	Mega Ham & Tomato Pizza	Roast Chicken Breast Fillet, Stuffing & Gravy with Roast Potatoes	Fish Fingers & Chips
	Quorn Shepherd's Pie & Gravy	Mega Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Roasted Vegetable filled Yorkshire Pudding & Roast Potatoes	Vegetable Bolognese with Penne Pasta
	Egg & Cress Roll	Jacket Potato & Tuna Mayonnaise	Ham Salad Baguette	Coronation Quorn Wrap

### Calendar Dates

**Mon 1<sup>st</sup> May - BANK HOLIDAY (School Closed)**

**Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> May - Simmonds Class Worship**

**Fri 5<sup>th</sup> May - Sponsored Spell**

**Mon 8<sup>th</sup> May - Wed 10<sup>th</sup> May - Caythorpe Residential Trip (Yr5)**

**Mon 8<sup>th</sup> May - Fri 12<sup>th</sup> May - SATs Week**

**Tues 16<sup>th</sup> May - Grandparents' Morning**

**Tues 16<sup>th</sup> May - Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> May - Book Fair**

**Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> May - Murray Class Worship**

**Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> May - Rand Farm Parents Information Evening**

**Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> May - Yr6 Trip to Peterborough Cathedral**

**Mon 29<sup>th</sup> May - Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> June - HALF TERM**



### 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: **Daniel, Manyata, Lorenzo, Arthur, Abraham, Francis, Reid and Katie**

### Attendance Award

This week's winner of our attendance award is a very well deserving **Farah Class** with an impressive 100% attendance. Keep up the good work!



**Attendance Award**



**Stars of the Week**

### Top 4

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

**Murray Class** - Yasmin, Emily, Emilija, Poppy

**Ross Class** - Jessika, Manyata, Aditya, Artaute

**Welby Class** - Neve, Samyu, Alfonso, Adam

**Simmonds Class** - Millie, Amy, Oliver, Arthur

**Attenborough Class** - Lewis, Grace, Jake, Jaime

**Glennie Class** - Oliwia, Casey, Quinn, Jade

**Newton Class** - Hollie, Reid, Victoria, Jake

**Farah Class** - Katie, Aleksandra, Mehret, Cameron

### House Point Totals

**St John 431      St Mark 428**

**St Luke 379      St Peter 337**