

November 27th 2015



St Augustine's News



A Message From Mrs Pierce

It was lovely to see so many parents of Upper School children in school this week sharing their children's learning! I spoke to many of you who said that the morning had been both enjoyable and informative. Thank you to all who attended.

LEARNING LINKS

A reminder that "Learning Links" continues next Tuesday 2-3pm. The next 2 sessions (1/12 and 8/12) will be on the subject of SPELLING AND GRAMMAR. Please pop in if you are able to find out more about how we teach spelling and grammar in school. I would like to thank Mrs Brattan and Mr Hurford for organising "Learning Links" this term. We have received some very positive feedback from the parents who have attended. The last session of the term (15/12) will be a Parent Forum, when I would be pleased to hear about your opinion on our school and your thoughts and suggestions on what we could improve.

As a result of parent feedback, we have decided to hold "Learning Links" sessions on Tuesday evenings (6pm-7pm) after Christmas to be able to accommodate as many parents as possible. Please note that these will be a repeat of autumn term sessions.

Tuesday 5th Jan - Reading
Tuesday 12th Jan - Spelling and Grammar
Tuesday 19th Jan - Maths
Tuesday 26th Jan - Maths

MRS TOMLINSON'S CLASS COLLECTIVE WORSHIP - A CHANGE OF DATE!

You have previously been notified that Mrs Tomlinson's Class Worship in school would take place on Thurs 10th Dec. Please note that **THIS DATE HAS BEEN CHANGED TO THURSDAY 11th FEBRUARY** at 10am - parents of children in Miss Tomlinson's class are all cordially invited to join us.

WELLIES - We would still be very grateful for any donations of outgrown wellies for use in the Paddock.

BOOK FORTNIGHT - JANUARY 2016!

We will be beginning the spring term with book fortnight in which we have a number of exciting events planned around our sci-fi theme. A detailed letter about the fortnight will follow but here are a few dates to put in your diaries!

Thurs 7th January - 6-8pm Slumber Party (Both children and teaching staff will gather in the hall in their pyjamas to share their favourite stories and a hot chocolate)

Mon 11th January - Book Swish (A chance for children to bring in any old/unwanted books to swap with their friends)

Thurs 14th - Space related dress up day.

CHRISTMAS DISCO - Thursday 17th December

Although the number of children attending St Augustine's keeps growing (we currently have 223 children on roll), the size of our hall sadly does not! For Health and Safety reasons we have to limit disco attendance to 120 and as a result, we have increasing numbers of disappointed children at disco time. To try to remedy this, we have decided to hold 2 discos:

Lower School (Yrs 3 & 4) - 5pm - 6pm

Upper School (Yrs 5 & 6) - 6.15pm - 7.15pm

This will ensure that everyone can take part in the fun.

A letter with further details and information about purchasing tickets to follow.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Our Christmas fayre will be taking place on Monday 14th December in the New Hall. As always there will be a variety of stalls selling stocking fillers and christmas related treats. Our upper school children will also be showcasing the products they have made during their enterprise week. We hope to see as many of you as possible there!



CHRISTMAS LUNCH

The Christmas lunch menu is being sent home today. Due to the popularity of this meal we do need the children's orders in plenty of time to allow our kitchen to prepare. There will not be any other school dinner available on this day and so if the replay slip is not returned you will need to ensure that a packed lunch is provided on this day. Replies need to be back, with payment, by Wednesday 9th December (Friday 4th December if your child is going to Aylmerton). If your child is in receipt of free school meals you still need to return the form confirming they will have the Christmas lunch.

A REMINDER OF DATES

The next few weeks are looking a bit hectic, with many exciting events scheduled as we move towards Christmas. With this in mind, please find below a reminder of important dates for your diary.

Fri 4th Dec - Christmas Jumper Day (donations for Christmas Fayre)

Fri 4th Dec - PM, Whole School at The Key Theatre-PANTO

Mon 7th Dec-11th Dec, Upper School Residential Visit to Aylmerton

Sat 12th Dec - Choir Performing at The Voyager School

Mon 14th Dec - AM, Choir Performing at Children's Centre

Mon 14th Dec - 3pm Christmas Fayre

Tues 15th Dec - Upper School Visit to Ely Cathedral

Tues 15th Dec - 9.15am Lower School Nativity for Parents

Weds 16th Dec - 9.15am Lower School Nativity for Parents

Weds 16th Dec - 4.30pm, Drama Club Performance of "A Christmas Carol" for Parents

Thurs 17th Dec - Christmas Lunch

Thurs 17th Dec - LOWER SCHOOL DISCO - 5pm-6pm

WHOLE SCHOOL DISCO - 6.15pm-7.15pm

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: Stephanie H, Peaches S, Grace W, Rhys S-H, Oliver B, Amir B, Ethan Band Andre M.

Well done, we are very proud of you all.

Golden Pen

Our Golden Pen winners for this fortnight are: Theo Forbes for upper school and Aimee Fawcett for lower school. Theo and Aimee both impressed their teachers by applying their effective writing techniques to their independent writing.



Lunchtime Cup



Lunchtime points are awarded for a weekly goal. This week our midday supervisors have given points to children who behaved well in the dining hall. I am delighted to announce that Mrs Potter's class earned the most points this week and were awarded our Lunchtime Cup. They will also have the privilege of sitting on benches during Collective Worship next week.

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

Miss Downs' Class - Ella W, Andriana R, Eva A, Yasmin M
Mrs Ford's Class - Jade S, Eva M, Evie S-H, Darren E
Mrs Potter's Class - Joshua C, Artaute M, Grace W, Rosie K
Mrs Tomlinson's Class - Mya D, Casey B, Enrikas V, Nathan M
Mrs Ashby's Class - Sara S, Alan N, Piotr A, Oliver B
Mrs Brattan's Class - Courtney S, Amir B, Kinzie R, Martha W-D
Mr Hurford's Class - Daniel A, Matiss L, Francesca L, Eva D-G
Miss Wilkinson's Class - Katie C, Skaiva J, Hope B, Lily-May S

Attendance Cup winners this week is Mrs Brattan's Class

