

October 14th 2016



St Augustine's News

A Message From Mrs Pierce

Upper School have had an exciting week this week, with an Evacuation Day on Tuesday and a visit to Ely Cathedral on Wednesday. Many thanks to the Upper School team who made both experiences possible, they really enrich our children's learning. I look forward to seeing you all at Parents' Consultation Evenings next week, please contact your child's class teacher or the school office if you are unable, for whatever reason, to make these and we will happily arrange another time for you to meet with your class teacher. I would be very grateful if you could complete a short survey for me next week, your opinions are very important to us. I would be particularly interested to hear from Year 3 parents about how well supported you and your child felt on transition to St Augustine's as your comments will shape our transition plans for this year. Surveys will be available at Parents' Evenings and will also be sent to you via Parentmail. Many thanks.

Samaritans Purse - Operation Christmas Child

We are fast approaching that time of year when we begin to think about Christmas. As a school we would like to support the Samaritans Purse project 'Operation Christmas Child' and therefore would like to ask our children and their families to help us. The idea is simple - to wrap and pack shoeboxes with a range of gifts for children between the ages of 2-14 years old. We hope to fill as many shoeboxes as we can, supporting the mission statement that "Every shoebox gift packed helps Samaritan's Purse to reach children worldwide with the good news of God's love and the true meaning of Christmas". We will be setting up a communal donation bin for items to be donated; if you wish to assemble a complete shoebox we will also be collecting those in school (please mark on the box whether it is for a girl or a boy and the target age). Some ideas for donations are skipping rope, ball, sweets, yo-yo, toy car, doll, cuddly toy, chalk, crayons, pens, pencils, play-doh, drawing paper, hat, scarf, gloves, soap, sponge, hairbrush, toothbrush etc. The deadline for despatching the shoeboxes is Friday 18th November so can we please ask for any donations to be with us before Wednesday 16th November. For more information please visit their website <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>



Geography Themed Week

We are having our first themed week of the year next week and it will focus on Geography field work skills with a little history as well! If you are able to join us during our themed week, it is not too late and we would love to hear from you. If this is the case, please speak to your child's class teacher or Mrs Grange. The children will also be completing their Sponsored Welly Walk on Thursday 20th October. Please ensure they have comfortable walking shoes, if they are not wearing wellies, and a water-proof coat with them on this day. If your child requires a school packed lunch on Thursday please ensure this has been ordered with the School Office.

Standing Up to Cancer

On the 21st October, there will be another fundraiser, this time in aid of Cancer Research UK. This is a non-uniform day and children are invited to come into school out of school uniform for a suggested donation of £1. Your support of this worthy charity is much appreciated.

Wet-play Provisions

I think it is fair to say that Summer has left us for another year and as we approach the colder months, our midday supervisors turn their attentions to sourcing interesting indoor activities that the children may like to participate in should we have a wet lunchtime break. We would very much welcome any donations of board games, jigsaw puzzles or short DVDs that you feel the children could benefit from.

Reminders

We have another busy week ahead of us next week before the half term break and so have listed a few reminders for you all.

Monday 17th October - Individual School Photos and Year 3 Flu Vaccination

Tuesday 18th October - Parent's Evening 3:00pm-5:30pm

Wednesday 19th October - Parent's Evening 4:00pm-6:30pm

Thursday 20th October - Sponsored Welly Walk for 'Farm Africa'

Friday 21st October - Non School Uniform Day in aid of 'Cancer Research UK'

Lunchtime Menu

This week's dinner menu 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 been a wonderful example to others through their effort, attitude to learning, their behaviour or kindness.

This week's winners are: William P, Olivia O, Jayden W, Arthur M, Elleyse G, William E, Addison S and Gracie W



Lunchtime Cup

I am delighted to announce that the lunchtime cup was won by Ross 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 - Rhys S-H, Layla C, Abel A, Marieta A
Ross Class - Aleksa P, Arian G, Olivia O, Kaitlin F
Welby Class - Oliver H, Jayden W, Neve T, Adam D-G
Simmonds Class - Tilly P, Logan B, Neeraj M, Amy J
Attenborough Class - Eva A, Eloise K, Abraham A, Jaime C
Glennie Class - Imarn C, Quinn T, Jade S, Eva M
Newton Class - Amir B, Rebeka N, Kamile P, Shea G
Farah Class - Danny W, Panche G-M, Sammy F-N, Alexander R

House Point Totals

St John 2,059	St Mark 1,945
St Luke 2,158	St Peter 2,123

Attendance Cup

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



Golden Table

The first winners of our "Golden Table" treat this year are India W, Grace W, Eva M, Reid T, Layla C, Emily H and Kieron P. The names of children who have been particularly polite, kind or helpful at lunchtimes are put into a jar and at the end of each half term 7 names drawn out. The lucky winners are then seated on a specially decorated table, kindly prepared by Mrs Steel.

