

January 6th 2017

St Augustine's News



A Message From Mrs Pierce

Happy New Year!

I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas break. The children certainly seem to have had a lovely time. I can't believe that this time last week we were still on holiday! So much has happened already.

The most exciting event of the year so far has been the launch of our NEW SCHOOL VISION! We began to discuss this back in the summer term and have spent many months, in consultation with children, governors, parents and staff, drafting and redrafting it, so it was absolutely wonderful to be able to finally share it with the whole school on Wednesday.

Our Vision:

**To be guided by God's wisdom,
to embrace challenge
and to strive to achieve our best,
enjoying all that we do together.**

In Collective Worship this week, we have discussed why we need a Vision, what it means to us and how it will help us move forward together. We have also shared Bible verses relating to our Vision and discussed how our Vision links to our Christian ethos and what it means to us as a church school. We feel confident that our Vision reflects our overarching aims, Christian ethos and values and we plan to use it to chart our journey for the next few years and to inspire further success.

Absence from school

If your child is ill or needs to be absent for any other reason, it is VITAL that you inform the school office ON EACH DAY of their illness. We care very much about the safety of our children and if they are not in school it is important that we know where they are. The school monitors absence and lateness carefully and if you do not tell us, we will contact you to find out why your children are not in school. If your child is absent from school for more than 2 days due to illness, the school can ask for medical evidence to support the absence. This can be an appointment card from your GP, prescription card or medicine bottle.

Our school day

The school day starts at promptly at 8:50am and we anticipate all children to be in the playground ready for the whistle at 8:40am. With morning registers being taken at 8:50am, any children arriving after this time will be considered late and will receive an 'L' late mark in the register. Children arriving after 9:05am will receive a 'U' late after the register has closed; subsequently losing their mark for the entire morning session. Please be reminded all children arriving after 8:50am must sign in via the school office. The school day finishes at 3pm, unless your child attends an after school club. If you are not able to collect your child on time, in the first instance alternative arrangements should be made and the school office informed immediately of these changes.

Year 3 Residential Trip

We are delighted to announce that there will be a residential trip for our Year 3 children in July 2017. It will be a one night stay, which we feel is an ideal start for the children at the age. More information will be send home soon and every effort will be made to ensure that all of the children that wish to go on the residential trip are able to be catered for. Keep your eyes peeled!

After-School Clubs

A letter will be coming home with all of the children this afternoon detailed which after-school clubs have spaces available for the Spring Term. All of our chargeable clubs, which are run by external people, are starting with fresh groups and so forms and payments need to be returned to the school office as soon as possible in order to secure your child's place.

St AJ's Café

Our final Story Café of the Autumn Term was with Murray class and was once again a huge success. We are thrilled to be receiving so much positive feedback from all of these events and look forward to repeating their success in the Spring Term.



"It's fantastic to be involved and have one to one time with my child. Craft making was lots of fun"
"It's a great idea and nice to see the techniques that students use." "Very well organised event"

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

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.

Year 6 SATs

We would just like to take this opportunity to remind our Year 6 parents of the booster SATs revision day offered around the time of the Easter Break. This is usually a time of year that people are planning a break / holiday and so the ideal time to bring to your attention that this year it will take place on Friday 21st April.

Lunchtime Menu

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

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Beef Lasagne with Garlic Bread	Chicken & Sweetcorn Pie with Gravy & Mashed Potatoes	Mega Ham & Tomato Pizza	Roast Turkey Breast Fillet, Stuffing & Gravy with Roast Potatoes	Fish Fingers & Chips
Sweet Potato & Chickpea Curry with Mixed Rice	Neapolitan Pasta with Garlic & Herb Focaccia	Mega Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Vegetable Samosas with Rice and Yogurt & Mint Dip	Spanish Frittata & Chips
Egg & Cress Baguette	Jacket Potato & Baked Beans	Jacket Potato & Tuna Mayonnaise	Ham Salad Baguette	Sausages under Wraps

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: Emmanuel, Shamaiya, Aditya, Oliver, Oliver, Ellie-May, Salvador, Angelina and Richard



Lunchtime Cup

I am delighted to announce that the lunchtime cup was won by Simmonds 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.



Attendance Awards

During our last week in school we awarded all those children who attended school every day during the Autumn Term.



