

December 9th 2016



St Augustine's News

A Message From Mrs Pierce

A huge thank you to everyone who attended our Christmas Fair yesterday. We are still counting up our takings but judging from the number of people who were packed into the hall after school, I expect it to be an impressive total. Well done to our Year 6 enterprise group who sold their wares and ran their own stalls, I know they had great fun as well as learning some important life skills last week. A huge thank you too to Ms Lees and her fantastic choir who entertained us throughout. Finally, to the wonderful Mrs Courten without whom many of our fund raising events would not happen, a massive thank you for all that you do for the children of St Augustine's. All monies raised will start our "Book Bus" fund. We really hope that 2017 will be the year of the "Book Bus", a library housed in a bus on our school grounds. As I'm sure you can appreciate, a great deal of fund raising will be required if we are to achieve our goal so we will be forming a small committee of staff and parents to coordinate these events. The first meeting of the committee will take place in school just after Christmas, on FRIDAY 6th JANUARY at 2.15pm. Please come along if you are interested in helping us in any way, we would be delighted to see you.

PARENT GOVERNOR

As you know, we held an election for the post of Parent Governor recently. As a result, I am delighted to welcome Hilary Hull to the Governing Body. I know that she will be a wonderful addition. I would also like to thank Kate Marsh, for her wonderful commitment, hard work and support to our school in this role over the last 4 years.

STAFF ABSENCE

Mrs Tomlinson has had to have some time off work due to a back injury following a minor car accident over the last few weeks and may well not return until the New Year. The lower school have done an amazing job at covering her class to ensure that the learning of the children in Ross class has not been adversely affected so I would like to thank them for all their extra efforts. We wish Mrs Tomlinson a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing her fit and well after Christmas.

St AJ's Cafe

It was the turn of Simmonds class to enjoy the Story Café this week and we have had some incredibly positive feedback from the parents that were able to attend.

"My first visit to story café, will definitely come again." "Great to join my child and spend time with them in the school environment. Helpful to hear how the teacher reads and questions the children - useful as a reminder of the types of questions I could be asking my child at home. Fun crafts and enjoyed the games too!"

DATE	CLASS	DATE	CLASS	DATE	CLASS
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		
7 th FEB	ATTENBOROUGH	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.



After-School Clubs

You should already have received a Parentmail notification that there will be no teacher-led clubs next week. However, Gymnastics, Musical Theatre, Computer Club, Street Dance and Just Do Sport Football Club are still running. There are NO clubs running week commencing 19th December and normal service will resume week commencing 9th January.

Poppy Appeal 2016

We are delighted to announce that we have been informed by The Royal British Legion that our Poppy Appeal this year raised £52.07. Thank you all for your donations and continued support for our charities.

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.

Calendar Dates

Tues 13 th Dec	Upper School trip to Bletchley Park	Thurs 15 th Dec	Lower School Nativity 9:15am
Tues 13 th Dec	Welby & Murray Class trip to Flag Fen	Fri 16 th Dec	Lower School Nativity 9:15am
Wed 14 th Dec	Ross & Simmonds Class trip to Flag Fen	Tues 20 th Dec	Disco (Lower School 5-6, Upper School 6.15-7.15)

Lunchtime Menu

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

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Beef Lasagne with Garlic Bread	Packed Lunch Day	Mega Ham & Tomato Pizza	Christmas Dinner Day (Packed Lunch is needed if not pre-booked)	Fish Fingers & Chips
Sweet Potato & Chickpea Curry with Mixed Rice		Mega Cheese & Tomato Pizza		Spanish Frittata & Chips
Egg & Cress Baguette		Jacket Potato & Tuna Mayonnaise		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: Ella, Brendon, Janah, Kieron, Zuhra, Imarn, Dakota and Arina



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 - Poppy, Marieta, Mary, Emily

Ross Class - Sienna, Aleksa, Matheus, Artaute

Welby Class - Mason, Joshua, Safi, India

Simmonds Class - Leelan, Demi-Leigh, Louie, Evison

Attenborough Class - Eva, Rose, Luke, Jaime

Glennie Class - Archie, Nathan, Jade, Kieran

Newton Class - Francesca, Hollie, Istvan, Daniel

Farah Class - Panche, Alfie, Mia, Jake

House Point Totals

St John 5,628	St Mark 5,121
St Luke 5,469	St Peter 5,305

Attendance Cup

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



Golden Table

Our golden table winners this week were Dylan, Casey, Jade, Ruby, Gianluca, Lorenzo and Victoria. As always Mrs Steel produced a beautifully set table with a festive theme this month and the children enjoyed their lunch in the company of Mrs Potter.



Provisional Pen Licences

We were able to give out some more provisional pen licenses this week so a big congratulations to Martha Widmann-Dardis, Sarah Said, Alfie Baxter and Danny Williams.