



St Augustine's Academy Newsletter

12th July 2019



Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

As usual, it has been a very full and active week at St Augustine's. Year 2 delighted us with an informative and engaging class assembly about 'Vocabulary' and we were amazed by all of the new words they have learnt this year.

Our trips and visits continued with Year 1 visiting Whipsnade Zoo and Bikeability also took place. Our footballers were presented with stunning trophies in Celebration Assembly and our local Scout Leader visited Year 1 and 2 and shared some exciting activities with them.

In addition we were visited by 2 members of staff from Caddington Village School who were interested in our Feedback Policy. Following the visit, they shared an e-mail of thanks which stated, "St Augustine's is truly a warm and friendly place full of happy children who are so keen to share their fantastic learning. We both came away with smiles on our faces." It is a delight to open up our school to others.

Next week is our last week before the summer holiday. Let's make it a great one!

Amanda Howes – Headteacher

Year 6 Design Technology



Our Year 6 children have produced the most amazing models as part of their Design and Technology lessons. The children learnt about cams and created a mechanism to make a moving toy.

The designs for their models were full of imagination, creativity and humour and the finished models are definitely something to be proud of.

The evaluations that the children wrote were thoughtful; used technical vocabulary and showed much insight.

Bikeability



This week, Bikeability has been taking place for some of our older pupils. The children have been learning how to stay safe when cycling on the roads, which is an essential skill to learn.

We would like to congratulate all of the children for their excellent levels of participation and to 'Cycle4Life' for teaching our children how to be road safe.

Attendance

Our attendance so far this academic year is...



96.15%



Raising attendance at our school is a top priority for this year. Our school target is 96%, which is the National Average; this is what we aim to achieve.

We are delighted that our attendance is now in-line with the National Average. Well done everyone!

Our class attendance figures for this week are:

Year 1 – 98.57%	Year 2 – 98.93%
Year 3 – 95.67%	Year 4 – 98.89%
Year 5 – 95.22%	Year 6 – 99.17%

Year 6 receives a Mufti Day for 99%+ attendance this week. Well Done!

Year 5 Trip to London



What a fabulous day it was in London for our Year 5 children. We travelled by public transport, bus and train, to Blackfriars where we walked along the Southbank, to the London Eye. Children, and adults, overcame their trepidation at seeing the sheer height of the wheel and ventured aboard the giant wheel. The views were spectacular and we were able to pinpoint a range of famous London landmarks using 360 degree viewers.

Following the ride, took a cruise along the River Thames to Tower Bridge. Our tour guide was hilarious and we learnt many interesting facts. It was a wonderful day with many of us, children and adults, enjoying a range of new experiences

Year 1 Trip to Whipsnade Zoo



Year 1 had a wonderful time at Whipsnade Zoo where they watched an amazing sea lion display; enjoyed the butterfly house; rode on the train; petted the farm animals and learnt a range of fascinating facts about the animals that inhabit our world.

The children were a credit to our school and we would like to thank all of the helpers that took part in the trip with them.

Community Events

Few spaces left

SUMMER COURSE 2019



5TH-9TH AUGUST
9AM-1PM
ASHTON ST PETERS PRIMARY SCHOOL
CONTACT TO BOOK
CHRISTINAMARKSSCHOOLOFFPERFORMINGARTS@HOTMAIL.COM

**Downside
Fun Day**

14th July 2019
2pm-4pm

Downside Community Centre
Suffolk Rd, LU5 4ES

FREE:

- Clown / Balloons
- Bouncy Castles
- Raffle for Kids
- Tea & Coffee
- Face Painting
- Games
- Races

Bring your own picnic
Popeorn and Candy Floss available to buy for 50p each



WG&D RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION | LOVE PARKS WEEK | Central Redoubt | Aldwyck HOUSING GROUP

Internet Safety Parents' Session

We were delighted to see so many parents attend our Internet Safety Parents' Session last week. PSCO Sally spoke openly and frankly with parents about some of the potential dangers that our children face when using the internet. She focussed on the importance of children not giving out personal information online (either through social media sites or when gaming); the importance of setting all profiles to private (in an attempt to prevent cyber bullying); the importance of setting parental controls (to help prevent your child from viewing inappropriate and possibly illegal content) and where to go should you have any concerns or questions.

As always, should you have any concerns about anything that your child has seen online, or may have experienced, please do not hesitate to speak with either Mrs Fourmy or Miss White who can offer support.

Useful websites include:

www.childnet.com

www.saferinternet.org.uk

www.ceop.police.uk



Celebrations

Well Done to the following children.

★Star of the Week★

Reception – Riley
Year 1 – Rico
Year 2 – Mason
Year 3 – Khaliq
Year 4 – Kayla
Year 5 – Kaitlyn
Year 6 – Banujan

😊 'SELF' Pupil of the Week 😊

Reception – Alexander
Year 1 – Tyler
Year 2 – Alice
Year 3 – Soraya
Year 4 – Kianna
Year 5 – Tyler
Year 6 – Nicole

✍ Writer of the Week ✍

Reception – Amber
Year 1 – Alexandra
Year 2 – Ruby
Year 3 – Jasmin
Year 4 – Luke
Year 5 – Charlie
Year 6 – Bianca

🏠 Housepoints 🏠

Neptune - 191
Mars - 146
Earth - 187
Venus - 160

Word of the Week

Our word for the week is...

Metamorphosis

Metamorphosis means 'to change into something new e.g from a caterpillar into a butterfly.'

Can you use the word 'metamorphosis' in your speaking and writing this week?

Sun Safety



As the summer is now here, it is important that we all remember to be sun safe. Children should bring sun hats and water bottles to school and should have sun cream applied before coming to school which will last for the school day. Children should not wear open-toed shoes to school as accidents can be caused through wearing them. No-one wants the pain of a chair leg on their toes!

Diary Dates

Mon. 15 th Jul.	2:45pm – Years 3, 4 and 5 Celebration Assembly
Wed. 17 th Jul.	6:00pm – Year 6 Leavers' Event
Thu. 18 th Jul.	2:45pm – Reception, Years 1 and 2 Celebration Assembly
Fri. 19 th Jul.	Last Day of Term

Please check the school website or App for the whole year's diary and for more information about St. Augustine's Academy.



Please note that dates sometimes need to change and we will notify you if this happens.

'SELF' Question of the Week

What have we done well as a class this year?



Our Value for this half term is...

✓ TRUTH and TRUTHFULNESS



'Tell the truth to each other.'

Zechariah 8:16

"Teach me your way, O LORD, that I may walk in your truth."

Psalms 86:11

When we read the Bible it is a type of instruction manual or handbook of how to live in peace and harmony with others. Through our reading we will learn more about God's truth.

Celebration Assembly takes place at 9:00am every Thursday morning. Parents and carers are welcome to attend.

