

# St Augustine's Academy Newsletter 27th April 2018



## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April, the school celebrated St. George's Day. Our pupils and staff, belonging to uniformed organisations, wore their uniforms to school and we enjoyed hearing about the activities they enjoyed and the badges they had earned.

In the spirit of the day, our scarecrow also joined in the celebrations as you can see in the photograph below.





This week, our school has also been taking part in the Big Pedal and we are currently in 24<sup>th</sup> place in the area for the number of children who are scooting or cycling to school.

We are hoping to improve our position next week so please

find those wheels and get pedalling.

Finally, we are all looking forward to the school Spring Fair tomorrow and hope that you will be able to join us for what we hope will be a very sunny and enjoyable day.

The PTFA do tremendous work for our school and we would like to thank them for all the work that have been doing in preparation for the event.

Best wishes

Amanda Howes - Headteacher.

# Spring Fair 10:00am – 1:00pm Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April

On Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April we are holding our **Spring Fair!** 



It promises to be a super day with lots to do. Come along and support our football teams; enjoy delicious food and drink; join in the fun and help raise money for our school.



We would also like to say a huge thank you to all of you who donated chocolate for our tombola stall.

We look forward to seeing you there.

# **Sun Safety**

Being sun-safe is essential for this time of year. Children must come to school, each day, with a sun hat and water bottle.

They should also have a strong factor sun-cream applied before they come to school, in the morning, which will last for the duration of the school day. If children need to bring extra sun-cream to school they may do so but it is for their own personal use, must not be shared and must be applied by them.

Thank you for helping our children to be sun safe.

#### **Parent Forum**

On Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May at 9:00am we will be holding our next Parent Forum.

This is an excellent opportunity to talk about life at St. Augustine's and to discuss any thoughts and suggestions you may have to help our school continue to move forward.

We will be talking about SATs and Phonics testing in Years 1, 2 and 6 and answering any questions you may have. We will also be discussing the impact of our new Behaviour Policy now that it has been in place for half a term.

If you are unable to attend but have a question that you would like answering then please do not hesitate to contact the school.

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#### **Achievements and Awards**

## SELF Award

Reception - Carlos Aveiro Year 1 - Alice Connell Year 2 – Peyton Haines Year 3 – Luke Monaghan Year 4 – Abby Gazeley Year 5 – Eimantus Bartkevicius Year 6 – Claudiu Olaru

The SELF question for next week is:

## \*\*\*What makes you want to get up in the morning?\*\*\*

Our value of the half term is:

#### **Forgiveness**

## Writer of the Week

Reception - Alexandra Majerska Year 1 - Alfie Ford

Year 2 - Chace Colbert

Year 3 – Peyton Egbegi

Year 4 – Wyatt White

Year 5 – Charlie Newport

Year 6 – Jasmine Massey

#### ★ Star of the Week ★

Reception - Lexi Walker

Year 1 - Vanessa Teaca

Year 2 - Daniel Connage

Year 3 - James Wayson

Year 4 – Jack Barker

Year 5 - Bianca Floarea

Year 6 - Logan Wheeler

## House points

Neptune (Blue) - 182 Mars (Red) - 186 Earth (Green) - 180 Venus (Yellow) - 168

#### Attendance √

Year 1 – 97.5%

Year 2 - 96.55%

Year 3 – 97.62%

Year 4 - 93.7%

Year 5 – 97.39%

Year 6 - 98.12%

Year 6, you were our highest attenders this week. Well Done!

# **Attendance and Punctuality**

We are delighted with our whole school attendance this week which saw our figures creep up to 94.13%. On one day, only two pupils were absent from school and it is



good to see that the winter bugs now appear to have disappeared.

On the event that your child is absent from school, please remember to contact the school office with the reason why. A text message reminder will be sent to the parents/carers of any child who is unaccounted for which will be followed up by a phone call if there is still no reply.

Remember...if you value your child's future academic and employment success, then ensure they are in school to learn.

# SATs and Phonics Testing

As you will already be aware, end of Key Stage 1 SATs, Key Stage 2 SATs and Phonics testing will be taking place in May and June.



If you have any further questions regarding the above, then please do not hesitate to contact the school, we will be more than happy to help.

Year 6 SATs week will run in the same way as the Mock SATs which were held before Christmas. This will include a special, free Breakfast Club starting at 8:00am for all Year 6 pupils.

## **Diary Dates**

Sat. 28th Apr	PTFA Spring Fayre
Tue. 1st May	9:00am – Parent Forum
Mon. 7th May	Bank Holiday
Mon. 14th May	KS2 SATs WEEK
Mon. 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Bikeability (Year groups to be confirmed)
Fri. 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Last day of the half term
Tue. 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Children return to school
Fri. 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Sports Day
Fri. 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of term