



# St Augustine's Academy Newsletter

## 6<sup>th</sup> December 2019



### Headteacher's Message



### Christmas Cards for Luton and Dunstable Hospital

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a busy week at St Augustine's this week.



Year 6 had their Mock SATs week and we were really proud of their determination to do well.



Holding a Mock SATs week has really helped to dispel some of the uncertainty that children feel about SATs. At St Augustine's we want them to be a positive experience for our pupils, where they can all shine.

Also this week we took some of our older pupils to see the students at The PAD (Performing Arts Depot) in Dunstable. They wowed us with their singing, acting and dancing and we were delighted to be invited to watch them perform.



Our pupils also heard talks by the Blue Cross this week, about how to look after their pets at Christmas.

We look forward to seeing many of you next week at our Christmas performances.

**Amanda Howes - Headteacher**



Once again this year, we were pleased to be able to make Christmas cards for patients that will be spending Christmas in hospital.

Some of our school councillors went to the hospital to deliver the cards which were very well received.

### Attendance

Our attendance for this academic year is...

# 96.76%

Raising attendance continues to be a top priority at our school. We aim to continue to beat the National Average and achieve a minimum of 96% attendance.

The whole school community is working hard to maintain good attendance levels; we value every second our children spend learning and understand the impact it has on their achievement.

Our class attendance figures for this week are:

Year 1 – 93.46%	Year 2 – 96.21%
Year 3 – 95.33%	Year 4 – 96.79%
Year 5 – 96.25%	Year 6 – 91.25%

**Year 4 were our attendance bear winners this week. Well Done!**

### PTFA Christmas Fair

We look forward to seeing you at the PTFA Christmas Fair on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 3:20pm.

You are all welcome to come along and join in the festive fun.

### Christmas Fair



**'Let your light shine before others that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.' Matthew 5:16**



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## Year 1 Messy Church



Year One thoroughly enjoyed Messy Church this week. After watching the Nativity Story they explored a range of activities such as role play, arts and craft and even went on an obstacle course, putting their trust in their classmates.

Thank you to all those who helped to run this special event.

## Celebrations

### Well Done to the following children.

#### ★Star of the Week★

Reception - Kacper  
Year 1 – Terri  
Year 2 – Jamie  
Year 3 – Ruby  
Year 4 – Erin  
Year 5 – Zak  
Year 6 – Lewis

#### ☺ 'SELF' Pupil of the Week ☺

Reception – Stephen  
Year 1 – Riley  
Year 2 – Lina  
Year 3 – McKenzie  
Year 4 – Khaliq  
Year 5 – Kamil  
Year 6 – Jordan

#### 📖 Reader of the Week 📖

Reception - Sabina  
Year 1 – Amelia-Lilly  
Year 2 – Alan  
Year 3 – Caiden  
Year 4 – Cayden  
Year 5 – Alfie  
Year 6 – Abby

#### 🏠 Housepoints 🏠

Neptune - 250  
Mars - 244  
Earth - 278  
Venus – 206

## Value of the Half Term



## SELF Question of the Week

What have I learnt  
about self-esteem?



## Word of the Week



# Reverberate

**Reverberate** means 'a loud noise repeating itself several times as an echo.'

Can you make a sound **reverberate** this week.

## Diary Dates

Mon. 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	2:45pm – Year 1 Christmas Show
Tue. 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	9:15am – Years 2 & 3 Christmas Show 2:00pm – Years 4, 5 & 6 Christmas Show
Wed. 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	9:15am – Years 4, 5 & 6 Christmas Show 2:00pm – Years 2 & 3 Christmas Show
Thu. 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	9:15am – Year 1 Christmas Show
Fri. 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	9:15am – Reception Christmas Show 3:20pm – PTFA Christmas Fayre
Tue. 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	Christmas Dinner
Wed. 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	9:00am – Years R, 1 and 2 Cel. Assembly 2:45pm – Years 3,4,5 and 6 Cel. Assembly
Fri. 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	Christmas Jumper Day, Parties Last Day of Term
Mon. 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan.	Back to School

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. We will notify you if this happens.

