

### St Augustine's Academy Newsletter 17<sup>th</sup> September 2021





Last Friday, 5 of our Year 6 pupils, along with Mrs Collins, trekked for 12 miles as part of a pilgrimage for climate justice. Reverend Ricky commented, "It was WONDERFUL to take part with children from St Augustine's Academy in the Camino to COP. We shared stories and songs along the way - a prayer for a more sustainable world for all. Here's a photo of us after the 12-mile walk to Heath and Reach. So proud of the year 6's from St Augustine's - well done!" As a school, we are also very proud of our advocates for climate justice. They showed our values of perseverance and courage and were exceptional ambassadors for our school.

Children in Years R - 6 have also taken part in 'MoreLife' assemblies which is a scheme designed to help them develop more confidence, more health, more energy and ultimately, more life. There will be



further assemblies and class based 'MoreLife' learning, taking place in school during the coming weeks.

Next Friday is European Day of Languages. We look forward to children wearing the colours of a European Flag or national dress to school on that day.



Best wishes Amanda Howes - Headteacher

# Vocabulary Velociraptors



The letter 'A' was our focus letter for the week. Children enjoyed learning the names of various art materials and had the opportunity to experiment with them. The items they learnt were: Pencil, Pencil Sharpener, Rubber, Felt-tip Pen, Fountain Pen, Crayon, Chalk, Pastel, Charcoal, Paint, Paint Brush and Palette.

Our first 'Vocabulary Velociraptor' certificates were also awarded. Saoirse received her certificate because she recognised that there was an Egyptian statue in 'The Ultimate Alphabet' letter 'A' picture. She researched it and found that it was a statue of Anubis.

It has been brilliant to see the children enjoying learning new words this week and we look forward to 'B' week next week.



### Vocabulary Tip of the Week

Ask your child what words they found in 'The Ultimate Alphabet' letter 'A' picture by Mike Wilkes. What new words did they learn?



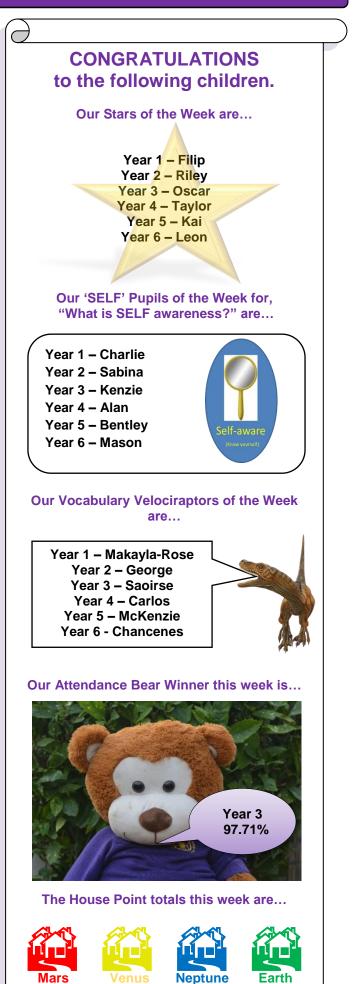
'Let your light shine before others that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.' Matthew 5:16



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#### **School Values**



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GENEROSITY

God loves a

cheerful giver.'

'Show Respect' is the first of our Golden rules. As a sign that we will all try to be respectful of each other, pupils and staff wrote their name around the word 'Respect' in the playground.

We have also continued to look at our value of 'Generosity' this week. In Collective Worship we looked at the story of The Poor Widow in Mark 12 41 - 44.

We thought about how giving all

that she had was worth more than the offering of a richer person who only gave away part of their money. We also reflected on how we could give of our time to help others as well as money.

#### **Learning Journals**

By now, children will have received their new Learning Journals. Please look at them to view your children's learning targets and record their reading at home. Also, please encourage your children to use them as an aid for their homework.



#### **Diary Dates**

WB 20th Sep.	Letter 'B' Week (Vocabulary Project)
Fri. 24st Sep.	European Day of Languages – Mufti Day
WB 27th Oct.	Letter 'C' Week (Vocabulary Project) Bike to School Week

Sometimes we have to change diary dates due to circumstances beyond our control. Please keep checking the school diary regularly for updates.



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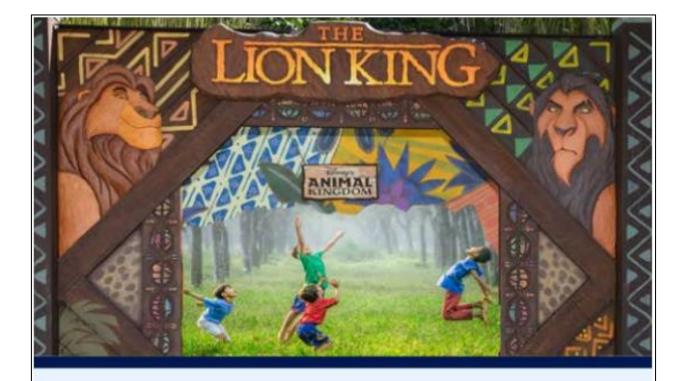


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#### Singing Workshop – Priory Church – Saturday 18th September



Do you love to sing? Do you like songs about nature? Do you like Disney songs? Would you like to find out what it's like to sing in a choir?

Then why not come along to our short singing workshop being held to coincide with Dunstable Town Council's "Around The World Day"

The workshop will run from 3:00 until about 3:45 at the Priory Church, Saturday 18th September.

Parents of any under 18's will need to stay with them, but refreshments will be provided for them! (what could be better than a cuppa and a natter!).

Visit our Facebook page for more details. Search Priory Church Dunstable