



# St Augustine's Academy Newsletter

## 19<sup>th</sup> November 2021



### Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,



Children in Need is a charity close to the hearts of many of us. Its mission is to help ensure every child in the UK is safe, happy, secure and has the opportunities they need to reach their potential. The money they raise helps to fund over 2,500 local charities and projects which directly support children and young people in communities right across the UK, and supports children and young people affected by a whole range of disadvantages such as poverty, disability, illness, distress or trauma.

Today, many of you have donated money to this worthy charity and children across the school have enjoyed wearing mufti in support of the work they do. We look forward to counting the money raised and letting you know the grand total.

Best wishes,

**Amanda Howes - Headteacher**

### Vocabulary Velociraptors



'G' has been the focus letter for the week. The children have learnt the names of different types of groceries and also had the opportunity to taste them. In addition, the children had the chance to see and use an old-fashioned cash register and pricing gun, and to use a modern-day scanner too. The results that came out of the till even had the words, 'St Augustine's Academy' at the top! Asda provided some of the food free of charge to the school and we are really grateful to them. Thank you Asda!



Specific groceries that children learnt this week were: raisins, cornflakes, baguette, Swiss roll, pickled onions, spinach, cream cracker, Red Leicester cheese, avocado, yeast extract, pâté and sushi.

### Vocabulary Tip of the Week

Children learn new vocabulary when they take part in engaging activities. Ask them to help with following recipes and other sets of instructions. It will help them learn new words and see why learning to read is so important.



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

## Celebrations

### CONGRATULATIONS to the following children.

Our Stars of the Week are...

Year 1 – Jada  
Year 2 – Lily  
Year 3 – Yoanna  
Year 4 – Sophia  
Year 5 – Alfie  
Year 6 – Amelie

Our 'SELF' Pupils of the Week for,  
"When I look in the mirror what do I see?"  
are...

Year 1 – Deivid  
Year 2 – Angel-May  
Year 3 – Katelyn  
Year 4 – Carlos  
Year 5 – Mason  
Year 6 – Jack



Our Readers of the Week  
are...

Year 1 – Ellie  
Year 2 – Eddie  
Year 3 – Bliss  
Year 4 – Lilly  
Year 5 – Zuzanna  
Year 6 – Erin



Our Attendance Bear Winner this week is...



The House Point totals this week are...



## Collective Worship

The word 'Compassion'  
Literally means "to suffer  
together."

When someone else feels,  
sad, lonely or is hurting,  
we often take on some of  
those feelings too, as if  
they were our own. We  
want to help make the  
pain and hurt go away.

Showing compassion is  
more than a feeling, it is a  
call to action and a desire  
to help. Let's try to clothe  
ourselves with compassion.



## Anti-bullying Week – Odd Socks Day



It was fun to see everyone wearing  
odd socks on Monday in support of  
Anti-Bullying Week. Children, across the  
school, have taken part in a range of  
activities around the theme of kindness  
and offering 'One Kind Word' which was  
the theme of the week.



## Diary Dates

WB 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov.	Letter 'H' Week
WB 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Letter 'I' Week
Mon. 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Year 6 Mock SATs week and Breakfast Club

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



# VOTE FOR RIDE HIGH

TO WIN  
£100,000



St. Augustine's Academy frequently use Ride High for Horse Riding lessons for our pupils.

Ride High is a finalist in the Persimmon Homes [#BuildingFutures](#) Competition and has a chance of winning up to £100,000!! ... but need your help.

PLEASE VOTE ONLINE FOR RIDE HIGH TO WIN. You can vote today at <https://www.persimmonhomes.com/building-futures/finalists>

If Ride High win the award, they plan to launch an outreach programme with schools so they can support hundreds more vulnerable and disadvantaged children in Milton Keynes.

Please vote for Ride High.

**Thank you for your support.**



## November 2021 Zoom Parent Network

Parent Network is open to ANY parent in the UK caring for a child with any Special Education Needs including those awaiting assessment or diagnosis.

*If you would like to join us, email [bookings@familiesinfocus.co.uk](mailto:bookings@familiesinfocus.co.uk) and we'll send you the Zoom codes*

zoom with Francine and Lesley	Monday November 8th 7-9pm	Managing anxiety in children
Early Years zoom with Tracey and Georgie	Wednesday November 10th 9.30-11.30am	Basic understanding of sensory issues
zoom with Francine and Lesley	Thursday November 11th 9.30-11.30am	Understanding ADHD
Teens 15+ zoom with Finola and Karen	Tuesday November 16th 7-9pm	Building a community of shared experiences
zoom with Vicky and Sharon	Wednesday November 17th 9.30-11.30am	Let's pop the kettle on - SEND chat, giggles and a cuppa
zoom with Siobhann and Sharon	Thursday November 18th 7-9pm	Successful EHCP reviews
zoom with Siobhann	Monday November 22nd 10am - 12pm	Encouraging your child with SEND to eat

Parents who have attended previous sessions will receive a text invitation to join the virtual meetings



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