



St Augustine's Academy Newsletter

7th January 2022



Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,



Happy New Year and welcome back to the start of a new term at school.

You will all have noticed the frosty mornings this week and there is a possibility of snow. If for any reason the school needs to close, then a message will be sent to parents/carers via text, the School Jotter app, and placed on the school website. Information about school closures can also be accessed from the Council's SOS system at <https://apps.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/webApps/SOS/>. We really hope that this does not happen but it is best to be prepared.

Best wishes, Amanda Howes - Headteacher

Haven't They Grown!

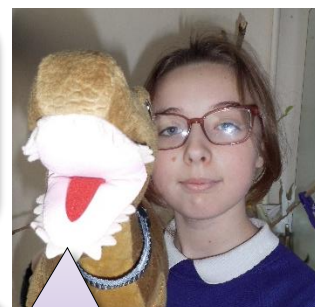


As part of last year's Science Curriculum, Year 5 (now Year 6) studied the egg hatching of chickens. After the study was over, they went to a very good home and here is what they look like now. As you can see, they are fully grown and thriving.

Vocabulary Velociraptors

This week, children have been refreshing their knowledge of the words we learnt last term as part of our Vocabulary Velociraptor project. Our children's opinions are important to us they were also asked to reflect on the activities by telling us what they enjoyed, what would have made the activities even better, what they learnt and what they are thankful for. Some of their comments are shared below.

I learnt to put on sun cream to stop me burning.
Elina-Maria - EYFS
(Illnesses and Injuries Week)



I learnt that a 'nest of tables' was actually a thing.
Tyler - Year 4
(Furniture Week)

I learnt that jewellery can mean many things, memories and love, not just to look fancy or pretty.
Year 6 (Jewellery Week)

I discovered that straw boaters were made in Luton
McKenzie - Year 5
(Hats Week)

I enjoyed tasting the foods which I had not tasted before.
Taya - Year 4
(Groceries Week)

I enjoyed making and getting a necklace.
Maisie - Year 3
(Jewellery Week)

I am thankful for being healthy.
Lina - Year 4
(Illnesses and Injuries Week)

It would have been even better if a real paramedic came.
Year 4 (Illnesses and Injuries Week)

We enjoyed watching Mr Smart build a bookcase.
Year 2 (Furniture Week)

By Friday we could name all the items on the PowerPoint.
Year 1 (Jewellery Week)

We are thankful that we have enough food to eat.
Year 1 (Groceries)

'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 – Deivid
Year 2 – David
Year 3 – Laelia
Year 4 – Angelo
Year 5 – Jacob
Year 6 – Jack

Our 'SELF' Pupils of the Week for,
"How can we work well together?"
are...

Year 1 – Matei
Year 2 – Roman
Year 3 – Bliss
Year 4 – Matylda
Year 5 – Aaron
Year 6 – Billy

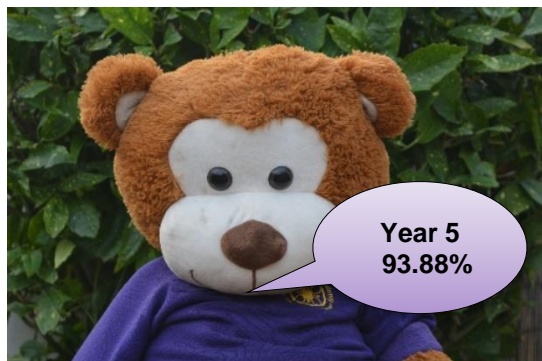


Our Mathematicians of the Week
are...

Year 1 – Antoni
Year 2 – Sabina
Year 3 – Saoirse
Year 4 – Santiago
Year 5 – Finn
Year 6 – Kelsey



Our Attendance Bear Winner this week is...



Year 5
93.88%

The House Point totals this week are...



Value of the Half Term

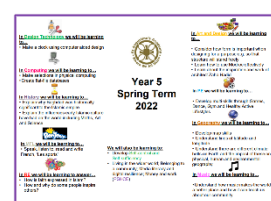
Our value for the half term is 'Courage' and we have already begun to think about what the word 'courage' means.

This week in Collective Worship we have also celebrated Epiphany and watched a video about the wise men's visit to see the new-born baby Jesus. We were reminded of Jesus being God's special gift to us.

Whatever we face, we should Remember that God is with us.



Curriculum Overviews



You can find out what learning and teaching is happening in school this term by visiting the Curriculum Overviews page of our website at the following link.

<https://www.staugustinesacademy.co.uk/curriculum/termly-curriculum-overviews>

We hope you find these useful in helping to support your children's learning at home.

SEND SUNDAYS at Climb Quest Milton Keynes

On the 1st Sunday of each month, Climb Quest run a special session for those climbers with special educational needs. Between 9 and 10am, they provide a calm environment for all members of the family to climb. The music is turned right down if needed, and there are plenty of instructors to help. They also restrict numbers in the session to 14.

Sessions are £10 per climber, and tickets can be booked in advance through their booking site.

Diary Dates

WB 10 th Jan.	Letter 'K' Week
WB 17 th Jan.	Letter 'L' Week
WB 24 th Jan.	Letter 'M' Week and Pantomime (Y 1 – 6)
WB 31 st Jan.	Letter 'N' Week and Planetarium
February (First 2 weeks)	Parent/Teacher Consultations (Probably via telephone)
Fri. 11 th Feb	Last Day of the Half Term

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