



# St. Augustine's Catholic Primary School

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**Friday Newsletter Week Ending 4<sup>th</sup> October 2024**



## **October Value – Responsibility**

Please can we ask parent's to reinforce these values at home throughout October.

Dear Parents,

Following the Parent Group meeting a couple of weeks ago, Mrs Desai (Parent Governor) and I met with the school Kitchen staff to discuss the feedback given at the meeting.

We do regularly review each menu and its uptake from the children, then populate each new Menu. It was good to get feedback from parents to try to enhance further what we offer.

It was a very productive meeting and the kitchen staff are very keen to ensure everyone is happy with the meals they provide and that children want a hot option daily - especially as we are going into winter. We want a high uptake of school dinners, so we need to feed their needs - especially the Infants so will try where possible to accommodate any feedback.

We discussed the following items:

- Quorn option: we know that some children struggle with this but a lot do like the variety. It was agreed that when there was this option on then we would also include a strong, well-liked third option
- When the third option is a ham sandwich and there is nothing else a child likes that day, they are happy to make a cheese sandwich if asked
- Portion size: They do try to ensure that the older children get bigger portions but if anyone is still hungry they can request seconds
- We will be encouraging the children to use the salad bar more, and again if they are hungry there is always bread available
- They will try not to put on two tomato-based pastas in a week but one tomato and one cheese-based
- We are now back on the winter menu and it was highlighted how much the children like the potato/butter pie and cheese whirls so they will try to include these weekly
- One of the things that was highlighted was how sometimes some children are more interested in playing out than eating and so rush and don't finish their dinner. Welfare staff do encourage the children to eat all their food but can you also re-iterate this from a parent's perspective.

I know providing Halal meals was asked but due to issues with supply, storage and appropriate cooking facilities, it is not possible at this time.

We would really appreciate it if you could encourage your children to try school dinners if they are not already and to discuss what is on the menu with them before they come to school.

It was incredibly useful to get feedback from parents on this matter so can I please encourage you to attend future Parent Group meetings if possible. We will send out an invite with what we propose to discuss (taken from feedback from the annual questionnaires) before each meeting.


Many thanks

John Entwistle

Headteacher, St Augustine's Catholic Primary School

**Our Shining Light and Values Awards for today 4<sup>th</sup> October 2024 go to ...**

	<b>Shining Light</b>	<b>Value ( Manners)</b>	<b>Dojo</b>
<b>Acorn</b>	Ibraheem		
<b>Blossom</b>	Asawer	Ava	Haniyah
<b>Willow</b>	Siamand H	Danyal Y	Aubree A
<b>Sycamore</b>	Yusuf	Layla	Ahmad D
<b>Beech</b>	Abdullah A	Saarah	Liliana + Saarah
<b>Year 3</b>	Atiyyah	Value	Abdur Rayman
<b>Year 3/4</b>	Matthew	Rayyan	Matthew
<b>Year 4/5</b>	Ayesha	Maariyah	Mustafa
<b>Year 5/6</b>	Aaminah T	Zayd	Theo
<b>Year 6</b>	Alex + Mohammed B	Bilal	Holly

 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept – 4 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	
<b>Blossom</b>	95.89%
<b>Willow</b>	96.67%
<b>Sycamore</b>	92.07%
<b>Beech</b>	98.67%
<b>Year 3</b>	99%
<b>Year 3/4</b>	94.49%
<b>Year 4/5</b>	98.13%
<b>Year 5/6</b>	97.81%
<b>Year 6</b>	99.35%

	
<b>Blossom</b>	<b>Asiya M – Rainbow</b>
<b>Willow</b>	<b>Isabelle – Underwater Scene</b>
<b>Sycamore</b>	<b>Ahmed N – Portrait</b>
<b>Beech</b>	<b>Zak – Autumn Tree</b>
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Aminah B</b>
<b>Year 3/4</b>	<b>Saffiyah - Portrait</b>
<b>Year 4/5</b>	<b>Kira – Illustration</b>
<b>Year 5/6</b>	<b>Niya – Area Around Us</b>
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>Alisa - Portrait</b>



### Artist of the Month –

The work of the amazing artists throughout the school will be celebrated each month and the award winning pictures will be posted on DoJo school story, Well Done to all our budding Artists!



### Parent's Evening –

We welcome all parent's to come along to our Short Parent's Evening on, Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 14:00 - 17:30pm - Please book an appointment through the school website booking system, if you need any help with this contact the school office. Thank you



### Packed Lunch Reminders-

- Please avoid or minimize the amount of chocolate items in your child's lunch box. Note: Lollipops and sweets are not allowed as they can be a safety hazard.
- Please remember that we are a nut free school so no items containing nuts are allowed - this includes Nutella sandwiches + Reece's Pieces.
- Whole grapes are a choking hazard. If your child has grapes in their packed lunch or for a break time snack, please ensure they are cut up.



### The Metanoia Project-

The Metanoia Project (<http://metanoiaproject.co.uk/>) are based at St Wilfrid's Church and provide a warm and safe space for homeless people of Preston as well as a meal and things that they need to keep warm and clean.

We have decided to split the items needed between the classes, we thank you for your support and generosity with this project:

Please could all donations for homeless adults be received by Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October. Thank you so much for your support 😊

Blossom and Acorn= Shower gel and Soap

Sycamore = Toothbrush and Toothpaste

Y3 = Socks

Y4/5 = Gloves

Y6 = Warm hats

Willow = Baby Wipes

Beech = Deodorant- Ladies/Men.

Y3/4 = Shower gel and soap,

Y5/6 = Scarves



### October Half Term-

Just a reminder School will be closed for Half Term wc 21<sup>st</sup>- 25<sup>th</sup> October, with an Inset Day Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October, so children will return back to School Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October after a 6 day break. Thank you

# This Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> October 2024 – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## **Mark 10:2 -16**

Then he embraced them and blessed them, placing his hands on them.

The Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, “Is it lawful for a husband to divorce his wife?” They were testing him.

He said to them in reply, “What did Moses command you?”

They replied, “Moses permitted a husband to write a bill of divorce and dismiss her.”

But Jesus told them, “Because of the hardness of your hearts he wrote you this commandment. But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female. For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. So they are no longer two but one flesh.

Therefore what God has joined together, no human being must separate.”

In the house the disciples again questioned Jesus about this. He said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.”

And people were bringing children to him that he might touch them, but the disciples rebuked them.

When Jesus saw this he became indignant and said to them, “Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.

Amen, I say to you, whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it.”

Better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into Gehenna, where ‘their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched.’”