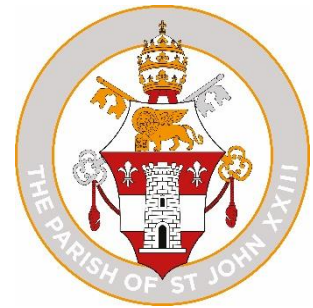




St. Augustine's Catholic Primary School



Headteacher: Mr John Entwistle

Friday Newsletter

Week Ending: 2nd September 2022

Welcome to this week's newsletter

September's Value is Manners

Please can you re-enforce this at home with your children throughout September

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents,

Welcome back everyone - the Summer holidays seemed to fly by! The children seem to have enjoyed the long break and have come back looking refreshed and ready for the year ahead.

All the children have settled into their new classes well and we have welcomed some new arrivals mainly in Blossom Class. This is a big step in their lives and they appear to be handling the transition well. I would like to welcome all our new children and parents and hope you are happy in our St Augustine's community.

Over the Summer holiday we have replaced the carpets across most of the school thanks to grant that we received from the Roper Trust. The classrooms look amazing - all we need to do now is to try to keep them clean - not easy with classes full of children!

This term looks to be another busy one. Following the amazing RE Inspection at the end of last term we are still awaiting Ofsted; if you have not filled in their parent questionnaire on Parent View please do so following this link www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk.

We are also still on track to convert to an academy and join one of the diocesan Multi Academy Trusts on the 1st November 2022. This will be a momentous chapter in our school's history and we are all excited about the opportunities we hope it will bring to us.

Once again welcome back and don't forget if you wish to talk to me about anything please catch me at the gate or ring the school office to arrange an appointment.

Many thanks

Mr John Entwistle

MEET the TEACHER

Meet the Teacher Meetings

If you would like the opportunity to meet your child's new class Teacher and find out more about what they will be working on over the course of the year, what homework they will be expected to do etc, meetings are being held after school on the following dates:-

19.09.22 – Year 5/6	23.09.22 – Year 6
20.09.22 – Sycamore	28.09.22 – Year 3
21.09.22 – Beech	29.09.22 – Year 4/5
22.09.22 – Year 3/4	30.09.22 – Willow

The meetings will take 20-30mins and your children can stay in the classroom.



School meals

Please see Dojo for our meal menu for next week. If your child would like to have an 'ad hoc' meal all they need to do is let their Teacher know on the day – no pre-ordering is required.

Please note that the cost of a school meal is now £2.40 per day for children in Year 3 and above who are not entitled to free school meals.

To check if your child is eligible for Free School Meals please contact LCC on 01772 532109 or apply online using the link below:

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/free-school-meals/?page=3>



School photographs

On Tuesday, 13th September 2022, our children will be having their individual and class photographs taken. If you have younger pre-school children they are invited to have their photograph taken with their siblings. Please contact the school office to arrange this.



After School Clubs

Our after school clubs start on Monday, 19th September 2022. Club request letters will be sent out next week.



School Admissions for September 2023

Applications are now open for children who are due to start primary or secondary school in September 2023.

If your child is now in Year 6 the deadline to apply for a secondary school place for your child is the 31st October 2022. If you have a child who is due to start primary school next year the deadline date is the 15th January 2023. Applications can be made online via the link below.

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/apply-online-for-a-school-place/>

The month of September is dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows



This Sunday, 4th September 2022, is the Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

In this week's Gospel Jesus tells the crowds two short stories to explain what being a disciple means, and to show us that if we want to follow him we must give up everything.

Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

Large crowds were traveling with Jesus. He turned and said to them, "If anyone comes to me but loves his father, mother, wife, children, brothers, or sisters more than he loves me, then he cannot be my follower. A person must love me more than he loves himself! If anyone is not willing to die on a cross when he follows me, then he cannot be my follower. If you wanted to build a tower, you would first sit down and decide how much it would cost. You must see if you have enough money to finish the job. If you don't do that, you might begin the work, but you would not be able to finish. And if you could not finish it, then all who would see it would laugh at you. They would say, 'This man began to build but was not able to finish!'

"If a king is going to fight against another king, first he will sit down and plan. If the king has only 10,000 men, he will plan to see if he is able to defeat the other king who has 20,000 men. If he cannot defeat the other king, then he will send some men to speak to the other king and ask for peace. In the same way, you must give up everything you have to follow me. If you don't, you cannot be my follower!