



St. Augustine's Catholic Primary School



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Friday Newsletter Week Ending: 13th January 2023

Welcome to this week's newsletter

January's Value is Honesty & Truth
Please can you re-enforce this at home with your children throughout January

Our Shining Light and Values Awards for today 13th January 2023 go to



	Shining Light	Value (Honesty & Truth)	Dojo
Blossom	Ishaq & Maja	Daniel	Adam Yousef, Liliana & Victor
Willow	Lilliana	Isa	Adam
Sycamore	Rayyan	Muhammad-Zayd	Umaymah
Beech	Andromeda	Matthew	Aleena
Year 3	Muhammad-Zayd	Jax	Matthew
Year 3/4	Khadija	Muhammad	Leon
Year 4/5	Ethan	Arebah	Henry
Year 5/6	Aleenah	Lily	Muhammad Zayyaan
Year 6	Jessica	Hannah	Jeffrey & Julian

SCHOOL Attendance

	7 th – 11 th Nov	14 th – 18 th Nov	21 st – 25 th Nov	28 th Nov – 1 st Dec	5 th – 9 th Dec	4 th – 6 th Jan	9 th – 13 th Jan
Blossom	92.76%	86.55%	92.41%	89.66%	86.21%	91.67%	93.79%
Willow	94.29%	92.14%	92.41%	90.00%	90.67%	90.32%	88.33%
Sycamore	87.41%	87.04%	87.04%	94.91%	91.85%	91.98%	95.93%
Beech	96.33%	90.00%	78.67%	94.58%	98.67%	85.56%	98.00%
Year 3	96.56%	96.56%	91.56%	94.53%	96.56%	96.88%	94.38%
Year 3/4	97.00%	97.74%	96.25%	98.05%	89.69%	99.48%	97.50%
Year 4/5	96.56%	91.56%	90.31%	92.19%	95.31%	86.98%	82.50%
Year 5/6	97.81%	91.88%	90.00%	90.23%	85.63%	99.48%	94.69%
Year 6	89.67%	97.00%	93.67%	96.67%	97.33%	95.70%	94.19%



School Admissions for September 2023

If you have a child who is due to start primary school in September 2023 please remember that the deadline date for applications is this Sunday, **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/>



First Holy Communion

First Holy Communion preparation sessions start next week for the children who are signed up for the First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion programme. Letters have been sent out regarding this.

If you have not signed up and would like your child to make their First Holy Communion this year please contact the school office.



Head Lice

We are continuing to see an increased number of cases of children with head lice please can you check your child's hair on a regular basis and treat them if required.

Please note that if your child does have head lice they are not allowed to attend school until they have been treated and their hair is clear.



School uniform

Uniform spot checks will continue next week as we have noticed that there has been a decline in the standard of uniform being worn by a number of our pupils.

Please remember that our winter uniform is:-

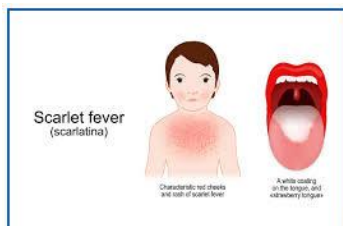
- Red Jumper/ Cardigan
- Grey skirt or pinafore dress with grey tights or grey/ white socks
- Grey trousers with grey/ black socks
- White shirt/Polo shirt
- Sensible **black** school shoes
- **Trainers must be black – coloured trainers are not allowed**

Trainers and PE kit must only be worn on PE days



Good condition, pre loved board games

We are still seeking donations of good condition, pre loved children's board games that your child no longer plays with. These will be used at break and dinner times when our children are unable to play outside because of bad weather.



Scarlet Fever and Strep A infections

The UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) is reporting an increased number of cases of Group A Streptococcus (Strep A) compared to normal at this time of year.

For more information visit the UKHSA website or the Education Hub via the links below

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/ukhsa-update-on-scarlet-fever-and-invasive-group-a-strep-1>

https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2022/12/07/strep-a-and-scarlet-fever-what-are-they-and-what-are-the-symptoms-information-for-parents-schools-colleges-and-early-years-providers/?utm_source=12%20December%202022%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19

This Sunday, 15th January 2023 is the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



In this week's Gospel John tells us how he saw the Holy Spirit, in the form of a dove, come down from heaven and rest on Jesus. Because of this John believed that Jesus was the Son of God.

Gospel: John 1: 29-34

The next day John saw Jesus coming to him, and said, "There is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! This is the one I was talking about when I said, 'A man is coming after me, but he is greater than I am, because he existed before I was born.' I did not know who he would be, but I came baptizing with water in order to make him known to the people of Israel."

And John gave this testimony: "I saw the Spirit come down like a dove from heaven and stay on him. I still did not know that he was the one, but God, who sent me to baptize with water, had said to me, 'You will see the Spirit come down and stay on a man; he is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' I have seen it," said John, "and I tell you that he is the Son of God."