



St. Augustine's Catholic Primary School

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Friday Newsletter Week Ending: 22nd March 2024

Welcome to this week's newsletter...

March's Value is Patience & Tolerance
 Please can you re-enforce this at home with your children throughout March

Our Shining Light and Values Awards for 22nd March 2024 go to ...

	Shining Light	Values	Dojo
Acorn	Umar		
Blossom	Ava & Hafsa	Musa	Ahmad D & Siamand
Willow	Fatimah	Aaminah Musa	Muhammad B
Sycamore	Mokshith	Liliana	Hussen
Beech	Abdullah Shaikh	Safaa	Ih'Saan
Year 3	Liam	Parker	Umair
Year 3/4	Matthew	Maariyah	Muhammad A
Year 4/5	Adam	Ziyaad	Emily & Sarah
Year 5/6	Uthmaan	Skyy	Munachi
Year 6	Helena	Siya	Mariam & Ethan



SCHOOL Attendance

	29 th Jan – 2 nd Feb	5 th – 9 th Feb	19 th – 23 rd Feb	26 th Feb - 1 st Mar	4 th -8 th Mar	11 th – 15 th Mar	18 th – 22 nd Mar
Blossom	92.67%	96.55%	98.33%	96.67%	96.00%	98.00%	97.33%
Willow	93.64%	92.31%	94.35%	95.49%	98.26%	98.97%	95.00%
Sycamore	98.64%	90.54%	91.53%	98.31%	97.97%	98.64%	95.59%
Beech	90.33%	89.00%	95.83%	94.33%	98.33%	96.67%	93.67%
Year 3	86.45%	90.00%	91.90%	91.61%	96.75%	96.77%	94.84%
Year 3/4	93.64%	90.61%	98.44%	96.56%	97.58%	95.15%	95.15%
Year 4/5	99.68%	97.10%	92.74%	99.35%	97.42%	95.48%	95.81%
Year 5/6	100%	94.69%	93.75%	98.13%	94.69%	97.50%	100%
Year 6	94.21%	94.19%	86.33%	94.69%	94.06%	95.00%	93.13%



After School Clubs

Please note that all After School Clubs have now finished until after the Easter Holiday.

New clubs will start on Monday, 22nd April 2024. Details and sign-up forms will be sent out next week.



Parents Evening

Parents Evenings for this term are taking place on **Monday, 25th March 2024 and Tuesday, 26th March 2024**. If you would like to attend to discuss your child's progress please make an appointment via our online booking system or by contacting the school office on 01772 253851.



Easter Decorated Egg & Hat Competition – Acorn, EYFS & KS1

We are having a decorated egg and decorated hat competition in school this year for Acorn, EYFS and KS1.

A prize will be awarded for the best egg and hat in each class.

Please can all entries be in school by **Wednesday, 27th March.**



Easter Egg Raffle

Raffle tickets are now on sale for our annual Easter Egg Raffle. Tickets will be sold at 50p per strip. Proceeds from the sales will go towards our school fund.

The draw will take place on **Thursday, 28th March 2024.**

If you are able to donate an Easter Egg it would be much appreciated.



Worship & Celebration Assembly

On **Thursday, 28th March 2024**, we are holding our End of Term Worship & Celebration Assembly starting at **9:15am.**

Parents are welcome to attend.



Easter Holidays

Please remember that school closes on **Thursday, 28th March 2024 at 1:30pm** for the Easter Holiday and re-opens on **Monday, 15th April 2024.**

Parish Lenten Service



On Wednesday our Parish Lenten Service was held at St Joseph's Church. Pupils from our school along with pupils from St Joseph's, St Teresa's, St Ignatius' and Christ the King attended and each school retold part of the Passion story through acting and readings with singing in between; our children retold the Crucifixion. Mr Cobb and Mr Entwistle led the music and Mrs Charnley supported our children.



Thank you to all the children and parents that attended and supported the parish event; it was a fitting lead up to Holy Week next week.



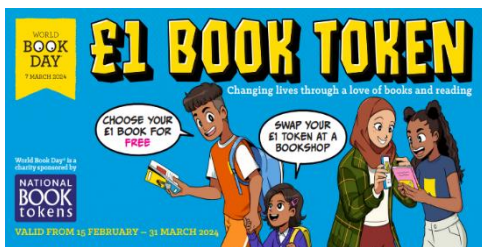
Mrs Dowson's Farm Trip

On Wednesday our children in Blossom Class went on their first ever school trip, along with Acorn & Willow class. They fed new born lambs, and llamas and also saw water buffalo, horses, ponies, mules, goats, cows, and pigs. They did a taste test of 5 different ice cream flavours, and had a great time playing in their new, huge, indoor wooden play area.



Wellies

Acorn Provision are looking for any donations of Wellies. If you have any wellies that are still in a usable condition and you would be willing to donate them, please bring them to the main office or give them directly to Acorn Provision staff (Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. Bargit, Miss Ahmed & Mrs. Patel)



World Book Day Book Tokens

We have a number of book tokens available from the school office for any families that can make use of them.

This Sunday, 24th March 2024, is Palm Sunday



Gospel: Mark 14:1 - 15:47

The Passover and the Festival of Unleavened Bread were only two days away, and the chief priests and the teachers of the law were scheming to arrest Jesus secretly and kill him. "But not during the festival," they said, "or the people may riot."

While he was in Bethany, reclining at the table in the home of Simon the Leper, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very expensive perfume, made of pure nard. She broke the jar and poured the perfume on his head.

Some of those present were saying indignantly to one another, "Why this waste of perfume? It could have been sold for more than a year's wages and the money given to the poor." And they rebuked her harshly.

"Leave her alone," said Jesus. "Why are you bothering her? She has done a beautiful thing to me. The poor you will always have with you, and you can help them any time you want. But you will not always have me. She did what she could. She poured perfume on my body beforehand to prepare for my burial. Truly I tell you, wherever the gospel is preached throughout the world, what she has done will also be told, in memory of her."

Then Judas Iscariot, one of the Twelve, went to the chief priests to betray Jesus to them. They were delighted to hear this and promised to give him money. So he watched for an opportunity to hand him over.

On the first day of the Festival of Unleavened Bread, when it was customary to sacrifice the Passover lamb, Jesus' disciples asked him, "Where do you want us to go and make preparations for you to eat the Passover?"

So he sent two of his disciples, telling them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him. Say to the owner of the house he enters, 'The Teacher asks: Where is my guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there."

The disciples left, went into the city and found things just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared the Passover.

When evening came, Jesus arrived with the Twelve. While they were reclining at the table eating, he said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me—one who is eating with me."

They were saddened, and one by one they said to him, "Surely you don't mean me?"

"It is one of the Twelve," he replied, "one who dips bread into the bowl with me. The Son of Man will go just as it is written about him. But woe to that man who betrays the Son of Man! It would be better for him if he had not been born."

While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take it; this is my body."

Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and they all drank from it.

"This is my blood of the^[c] covenant, which is poured out for many," he said to them. ²⁵"Truly I tell you, I will not drink again from the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

"You will all fall away," Jesus told them, "for it is written:

"I will strike the shepherd,
and the sheep will be scattered."^[d]

But after I have risen, I will go ahead of you into Galilee."

Peter declared, "Even if all fall away, I will not."

"Truly I tell you," Jesus answered, "today—yes, tonight—before the rooster crows twice^[e] you yourself will disown me three times."

But Peter insisted emphatically, "Even if I have to die with you, I will never disown you." And all the others said the same.

They went to a place called Gethsemane, and Jesus said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." He took Peter, James and John along with him, and he began to be deeply distressed and troubled. "My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death," he said to them. "Stay here and keep watch."

Going a little farther, he fell to the ground and prayed that if possible the hour might pass from him. "*Abba*,^[f] Father," he said, "everything is possible for you. Take this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will."

Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. "Simon," he said to Peter, "are you asleep? Couldn't you keep watch for one hour? Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak."

Once more he went away and prayed the same thing. When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. They did not know what to say to him.

Returning the third time, he said to them, "Are you still sleeping and resting? Enough! The hour has come. Look, the Son of Man is delivered into the hands of sinners. Rise! Let us go! Here comes my betrayer!"

Just as he was speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, appeared. With him was a crowd armed with swords and clubs, sent from the chief priests, the teachers of the law, and the elders.

Now the betrayer had arranged a signal with them: "The one I kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard." Going at once to Jesus, Judas said, "Rabbi!" and kissed him. The men seized Jesus and arrested him. Then one of those standing near drew his sword and struck the servant of the high priest, cutting off his ear.