



St. Augustine's Catholic Primary School



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Friday Newsletter Week Ending: 9th December 2022

Welcome to this week's newsletter

December's Value is Respect

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

Our Shining Light and Values Awards for today 9th December 2022 go to



	Shining Light	Value (Respect)	Dojo
Blossom	Whole class	Kelly	Jonjo
Willow	Christy	Abdullah	Aaliyah
Sycamore	Ibraheem & Muhammad-Zayd	Aaminah P	Abdur Rahmaan
Beech	Mylah	Khadijah	Aman
Year 3	Kim	Mustafa	Muhammad-Zayd
Year 3/4	Savvy	Khadija	Sarah
Year 4/5	Aiden	Henry	Muhammed Abu Bakr
Year 5/6	Maariyah	Talha	Julia
Year 6	Jessica	Yuosf	Lillie

SCHOOL
Attendance

	31 st Oct – 4 th Nov	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
Blossom	97.24%	92.76%	86.55%	92.41%	89.66%	86.21%
Willow	95.36%	94.29%	92.14%	92.41%	90.00%	90.67%
Sycamore	88.46%	87.41%	87.04%	87.04%	94.91%	91.85%
Beech	97.33%	96.33%	90.00%	78.67%	94.58%	98.67%
Year 3	92.50%	96.56%	96.56%	91.56%	94.53%	96.56%
Year 3/4	95.21%	97.00%	97.74%	96.25%	98.05%	89.69%
Year 4/5	94.69%	96.56%	91.56%	90.31%	92.19%	95.31%
Year 5/6	91.25%	97.81%	91.88%	90.00%	90.23%	85.63%
Year 6	90.67%	89.67%	97.00%	93.67%	96.67%	97.33%



After School Clubs

Letters are going out today regarding our After School Clubs that will start on the 9th January 2023. Full details regarding the After School Clubs that will be available along with booking details can be found in the letter.



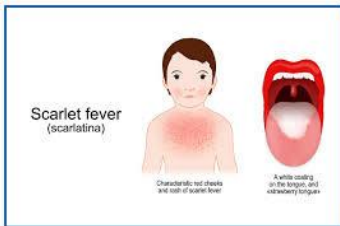
Good condition, pre loved board games

We are 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.



Help for the Homeless

We are collecting gifts for the homeless people in Preston and any support you can offer will be greatly appreciated. We are looking for donations of hats, scarf, gloves, sweets, chocolate, toothpaste, toothbrush, shampoo, body wash, face cloth, socks, brush, etc. All the items that we collect will be sent to St Wilfrid's next week and they will distribute them close to Christmas.



Scarlet Fever and Strep A

Please see the letter from the UK Health Security Agency that has been posted on Class DoJo for details on the signs and symptoms of Scarlet Fever and Strep A.



Father Christmas visit

On **Monday, 12th December 2022**, Father Christmas will be visiting our school grotto and our Infant and Junior children who have booked a visit will have the opportunity to meet him and receive a small gift.



Head Lice

As we are seeing 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.



Monday, 12th December 2022

Father Christmas will be visiting the school grotto and pupils who have booked a visit will have the chance to meet him during the day.

Infant Nativity – The Bethlehem Barn Band! which seems to have a cast of thousands!! There will be three performances this year as there are so many pupils taking part. Details on how to book places have been sent via dojo.

Performance dates are: Monday, 12th December at 1:50pm and Tuesday, 13th December at 9:40am and 1:50pm.

Note: All the performances are the same!

Wednesday, 14th December 2022

Our school choir are holding a Christmas concert at the Delta Care centre.

Thursday, 15th December 2022

Christmas Dinner Day. The children will be doing Christmas art activities in the morning and then have a meal altogether in their Key Stage groups with the staff. Everyone can wear a Christmas Jumper if they want to!

If any children wish to exchange Christmas cards, they can bring them on this day.

Friday, 16th December 2022

Monthly Celebration Assembly - parents welcome.

Monday, 19th December 2022

Christmas Party Day! Pupils can wear their party clothes. Please be mindful that they will be playing out during the day. See party day letter for full details. Be prepared for very tired children at the end of the day!

Tuesday, 20th December 2022

Our Junior children will be holding a Carol Service starting at 9:30am. Each class will lead the service in readings about Christmastime and carols will be sung. This is a lovely lead into our Christmas Holidays. Parents are welcome to attend.

School closes at 1:30pm for the Christmas Holidays

Wednesday, 4th January 2023

School re-opens on

CHRISTMAS COUNTDOWN



Class/Pupils	Event	Day	Date	Time
All	Father Christmas visit	Monday	12 th December 2022	All day
Infants	Nativity	Monday	12 th December 2022	1:50 – 2:40
Infants	Nativity	Tuesday	13 th December 2022	9:40 – 10:20 1:50 – 2:40
School Choir	Christmas Concert at Delta Care centre	Wednesday	14 th December 2022	1:30 – 2:30
All	Christmas Dinner	Thursday	15 th December 2022	11:30 – 1:00
All	Christmas Jumper Day	Thursday	15 th December 2022	All day
All	Celebration Assembly	Friday	16 th December 2022	9:15 – 10:15
All	Christmas Parties	Monday	19 th December 2022	1:00 – 3:00
Junior pupils	Carol Service	Tuesday	20 th December 2022	9:30 – 10:45
All	School finishes for the Christmas break	Tuesday	20 th December 2022	1:30pm

This Sunday, 11th December 2022, is the Third Sunday of Advent



In this week's Gospel John the Baptist wants to make sure that Jesus is the special person that he has been waiting for, so he sends friends to check.

Jesus answers them by telling them that he is the one who has come to heal the sick and to bring good news to the poor. This answer tells John that Jesus really is the person for whom he has been waiting.

Gospel: Matthew 11: 2-11

John the Baptist was in prison, but he heard about the things the Christ was doing. So John sent some of his followers to Jesus. They asked Jesus, "Are you the man who John said was coming, or should we wait for another one?"

Jesus answered, "Go back to John and tell him about the things you hear and see: The blind can see. The crippled can walk. People with harmful skin diseases are healed. The deaf can hear. The dead are raised to life. And the Good News is told to the poor. The person who does not lose faith because of me is blessed."

As John's followers were leaving, Jesus began talking to the people about John. Jesus said, "What did you go out to the desert to see? A reed blown by the wind? No. Really, what did you go out to see? A man dressed in fine clothes? No. Those people who wear fine clothes live in kings' palaces. So what did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, and I tell you, John is more than a prophet. This was written about John in the Scriptures:

'I will send my messenger ahead of you.

He will prepare the way for you.' Malachi 3:1

I tell you the truth: John the Baptist is greater than any other man who has ever lived. But even the least important person in the kingdom of heaven is greater than John.