



St Augustine's Academy Newsletter

5th January 2018



Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,



We hope that you have all had a happy Christmas and a good start to 2018. At St. Augustine's Academy, we are all excited about the year ahead and looking forward to seeing our school continue to grow and develop. It was great to see all the children back at school on Wednesday, keen and ready to learn; it has been a super start to the year.

On Tuesday, school staff had an INSET (staff training) day. We looked back at the previous term and reminded ourselves of all the things that have been accomplished. The mind-map below depicts all that we have achieved and also our school's next steps.



Also during the day, we were visited by the school nurse who delivered Epi-pen and Asthma training; safeguarding updates were delivered by our Designated Safeguarding Lead and time was spent reviewing our school's Behaviour Policy and school rules. Behaviour will be one of our foci for the term ahead and we would welcome any suggestions you have regarding possible new rewards and consequences that can be used for dealing with all aspects of school behaviour. We will be discussing 'Behaviour' at our next Parent Forum.

Have a good weekend everyone.

Amanda Howes
Headteacher

Sports For All



On the children's first day back at school, each class experienced a special PE session with Sports for All, specialist PE coaches.

This was as a result of our school being asked, by Sports for All, if we would assist them with their staff training. As a result, 9 sports coaches visited our school and delivered exciting PE lessons with our children. It was a wonderful opportunity to help 'Sports for All' and for our pupils to receive excellent sports lessons. One pupil stated, "It was great to get outside straight away; it has made me wide awake for school."

Attendance

Helping everyone to achieve good attendance continues to be a top priority for our school. Well done to Year 1 who achieved 100% attendance for their first day back at school and were awarded with a mufti day. 

Club Information

FOOTBALL – Football training will resume on Wednesday 10th January for Years 2, 3 and 4; Year 5 and 6 Football training will be held on Tuesdays after school.

JUNIOR WARDENS – Junior Wardens will begin again on Wednesday 17th January.

Diary Dates

Wed. 3 rd Jan.	Children return to school
Tue. 9 th Jan.	5:30pm Phonics Workshop for Parents – Another chance to learn the Phonic sounds needed to help your child learn to read.
Tue. 6 th Feb.	3:30pm – 5:30pm Parents' Evening
Wed. 7 th Feb.	4:30pm – 6:30pm Parents' Evening
Fri. 9 th Feb.	Last day of term