



St Augustine's Academy Newsletter

19th January 2018



Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

One of the enjoyable parts of being Headteacher is being able to visit all the classrooms during the day and seeing the teaching and learning that is taking place.

This morning, in Early Years, children were enthusiastically working on their numbers to 20 and in Year 1, the speed with which the children were ready for PE was astounding; they were all in the hall by 9:05am.



Visitors from Central Bedfordshire Council to the school this week have also commented on the warm welcome they received.

Have an enjoyable weekend everyone and we look forward to seeing you all back at school again on Monday.

Amanda Howes
Headteacher

School Position Vacancy

Cleaner



We are currently looking to appoint a cleaner to our staff team.

Please visit the school website at <http://www.staugustinesacademy.co.uk/> and click on the 'Contact Us – Vacancies' tab to view the advert and download an application form.

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Behaviour Policy (Important Action Required)



The school is currently reviewing its Behaviour Policy to ensure that it is fit-for-purpose for the needs of all our pupils. In order to create a policy, which meets the needs of the whole school community, we are seeking the opinions of pupils, parents, governors and staff.

In particular, we would really value your thoughts on the rewards that we could use to praise good pupil behaviour and the consequences we could implement for poor pupil behaviour.

We have set up a survey on Survey Monkey where you can share your ideas and feedback. Please copy or follow the link below to access the questionnaire.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/QSLTBMD>

The survey deadline date is Thursday 25th January; we will then collate the results and feed them back to you.

Thank you, in advance, for taking the time to complete our survey.

Parent Forum 9:00am Tuesday 23rd January

Please come along to our Parent Forum on Tuesday 23rd January. It is a good opportunity to learn about life and learning at St. Augustine's and to ask any questions you may have. We will also be discussing our School Behaviour Policy.



We look forward to seeing you. Tea and biscuits will be available.

Achievements and Awards

😊 SELF Award 😊

Reception – Leandro Ramos
 Year 1 – Kai Lloyd
 Year 2 – Summer Martin
 Year 3 – Kamil Sokolski
 Year 4 – Ross Angove
 Year 5 – Courtney Impey
 Year 6 – Claudiu Olaru

The SELF question for next week is:

Why do we have rules?

Our value of the half term is:

Courage

+ - x ÷ Mathematician of the Week + - x ÷

Reception – Stephen Amaritai
 Year 1 – Jay Hickman
 Year 2 – Amelie Battams
 Year 3 – Melisa Duduianu
 Year 4 – Lidia Suchar
 Year 5 – Beatrice Cojocar
 Year 6 – Kamil Sliczniuk

★ Star of the Week ★

Reception – Logan Horley
 Year 1 – Kiera Keyte
 Year 2 – Sally Zatorska
 Year 3 – Kayla Impey
 Year 4 – Lewis Kudzibatira
 Year 5 – Bianca Floarea
 Year 6 – Jasmine Massey

🏠 Housepoints 🏠

Neptune (Blue) – 120
 Mars (Red) – 119
 Earth (Green) – 106
 Venus (Yellow) - 115

✓ Attendance ✓

Year 1 – 89.66%
 Year 2 – 90.33%
 Year 3 – 88.33%
 Year 4 – 92.96%
 Year 5 – 93.04%
 Year 6 – 96.25%

**Year 6, you were our highest attenders this week.
 Well Done!**

Attendance

Our whole school attendance so far this year is 94.37% which is a rise from the end of last half term but still below our 96% target.



Can we also remind everyone that it is important that children arrive to school on time in the mornings.

Arriving late disrupts learning for the whole class. Teachers need to repeat what has already been taught and it can be uncomfortable for the child who is late to enter a classroom where all other children are already settled to their morning tasks.

Let's keep working together to improve punctuality attendance for all our pupils and give our pupils the best possible life chances. Attendance really does count! Thank you.

Football



Well done to our Year 2 footballers who have been making steady progress with Coach Lucy and Jessica. This week they joined in with Years 3 & 4 for the first forty minutes of the session and showed that they have the stamina to train with the older children.

Kayden, Sally, Jamie, Mason, Leon, Billy and Cameron showed great listening skills and followed every instruction given to them, without hesitation and played some of the best football ever seen by Mr. Allard.

Diary Dates

Tue. 23 rd Jan.	9:00am - Parent Forum – A chance to share your feedback and thoughts with senior staff and contribute to our review of the school's Behaviour Policy
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 the half term
Mon. 19 th Feb.	Children return to school
Thu. 1 st Mar.	World Book Day – Book character Mufti-Day
Fri. 23 rd Mar.	Sports Relief – Mufti Day
Thu. 29 th Mar.	Last day of term
Tue. 17 th April	Children return to school
Mon. 14 th May (All Week)	KS2 SATs WEEK
Fri. 25 th May	Last day of half term
Tue. 5 th June	Children return to school
Fri. 22 nd June	Sports Day
Fri. 20 th July	Last day of term