



St Augustine's Academy Newsletter

29th March 2018



Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,



The Easter holiday is here and we hope you are all looking forward to this special time of year. Christian people from all over the world will be thinking about how Jesus died on a cross, to bury the wrong things they have done, and rose again 3 days later with the hope and promise of new life.

Pupils at St. Augustine's have learnt all about Easter traditions and Years 2 – 6 have now all taken part in Easter Active Church sessions at St. Augustine's Church. Rev. Ricky also led a special Easter worship time for the children at school.

Today we say goodbye and best wishes to Mrs. Sue Smart and Mrs. Lorraine Burrows who have been familiar faces in our school office for many years. We are sure that you join with us in thanking them for the care they have given to our pupils and wish them well in their new ventures.

Joining our staff team after Easter will be three new faces in our school office. Mrs. Helen Wells will take up position as the School Business Manager and Mrs. Dee Drennan and Mrs. Julia Holloway will complete our new office team. We look forward to welcoming them to our school community.

Finally, we would like to thank you for your continued support of our school. It was wonderful to see so many of you at our Celebration Assemblies this week. An immense sense of pride filled our school hall and we would like to thank all of the children for their hard work and determination this term.

Have a very happy Easter everyone and we look forward to seeing you all back at school on Tuesday 17th April 2018.

Amanda Howes
Headteacher

Curriculum

The Curriculum that we offer our pupils is based on the 2014 National Curriculum for years 1 – 6 and the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum for our Reception pupils. It is broad and balanced and is designed to build on the skills and knowledge learnt in previous years.



The teaching and learning that has been taking place this week has been varied and interesting. Our Year 3 pupils are incredibly proud of their beautiful Roman mosaics, pictured above, and our Early Years pupils were delighted with their new 'Bug House' (below) which they will be observing as part of their Forest School. We would like to thank Mr. Fourmy for providing the pallets for the project.



We are sure that you agree; the children really do have a wonderful curriculum which we hope will inspire a love of learning in them for life.

End of Term Achievements and Awards**Easter Holiday Learning****† Christian Values †**

Reception – Taya Randle
 Year 1 – Finn Griffiths
 Year 2 – Daniel Connage
 Year 3 – Alfie Kanpp
 Year 4 – Sasha Bignall
 Year 5 – Emily Rudy
 Year 6 – Tiphonie Reynolds

British Values

Reception – Alayah Mckenzie-Hinds
 Year 1 – Callum Jones
 Year 2 – Yasmin Travagli
 Year 3 – Jane Walker
 Year 4 – Kaitlyn Walsh
 Year 5 – Lucas Catlin
 Year 6 – Ben Allard

★ Effort ★

Reception – Carlos Aveiro
 Year 1 – Layla-Mai Martin
 Year 2 – Logan Green
 Year 3 – Melisa Duduianu
 Year 4 – Abby Gazeley
 Year 5 – Andile Masola
 Year 6 – Natalie Zubrycki

Handwriting

Reception – Tarebi Egbegi
 Year 1 – Amelia Sullivan
 Year 2 – Summer Armstrong
 Year 3 – Lillie-Mai West
 Year 4 – Filip Kowalski
 Year 5 – Beatrice Cojocararu
 Year 6 – Nakita Lawrence

100 Reads

Tarebi Egbegi, Stephen Amaritei, Poppy Roberts, Aidan Evans, Isabelle Rudy, McKenzie Willis-Hall, Peyton Egbegi, Darlean Gumble, Katie Hopper, Tomek Kobylecki, Beatrice Cojocararu, Leonard Cojocararu, Cienna Daly, Courtney Impey, Declan Jones, Caitlin Weeden, Ross Angove, Tyler Willis, Kaitlyn Walsh

200 Reads

Ciaran McClements

x 2, 5 and 10 Times Tables x

Batia Egbegi, Summer-May Graur, Soraya Strachen, Jasmin Rowe

x Times Tables to 12 x

Jessicka Premini, Peyton Egbegi, Lillie-Mai West, Jordan Allard, Filip Kowalski, Tyler Willis, Andile Masola, Charlie Newport, Dylan Walker, Amy Sutton, Blessing Nakueti

Huge congratulations to all of our winners.

It is essential that pupils continue with their learning during the holiday to maintain and develop their confidence and skills. Here are some ways in which you can help and support your child.

- Read the Curriculum Overview, for your child's year group, that is being sent home this afternoon. It tells you what your child will be learning next term and provides them with an opportunity to get a head start.
- Read daily with your child and ask questions about what they have read.
- Cook and eat meals together.
- Practise times tables and number bonds.
- Get outside! Have a picnic, go for a long walk over the Downs or explore a part of town you have not visited before.
- Play board and card games together.
- Paint, draw and write. You could write a diary about the Easter holiday together.
- Visit the library.

**Punctuality**

Please can we remind parents and carers that the car park entrance to the school must not be used for pupils arriving while the pedestrian access gate is still open.

It is essential that pupils arrive on time and ready for the start of the school day.

Good time-keeping is an important quality to learn. Being late every day for work would never be seen as acceptable behaviour and neither is being late for school.

Lateness causes children to feel uncomfortable arriving in class; especially after the rest of the class is seated and ready for the start of the day. It also disrupts the learning of others as teachers often have to repeat lesson starters so that late pupils can catch up. Please 'Show Respect' and 'Try Your Best' to arrive on time.



Achievements and Awards

😊 SELF Award 😊

Reception – Leandro Amos
 Year 1 – Caiden Evans
 Year 2 – Summer Martin
 Year 3 – Kayla Impey
 Year 4 – Wyatt White
 Year 5 – Frankie Parker
 Year 6 – Claudiu Olaru

The SELF question for next week is:

*****What is self-motivation?*****

Our value of the half term is:

Forgiveness

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

Reception – Rico Strachan
 Year 1 – Bobby Lee Garrett
 Year 2 – Yasmin Travagli
 Year 3 – Evie Philpott
 Year 4 – Jack Barker
 Year 5 – Courtney Impey
 Year 6 – Colin Zatorski

★ Star of the Week ★

Reception – Taya Randle
 Year 1 – Noah Turner-Dahr
 Year 2 – Kyle Ireson
 Year 3 – Zak Wollington
 Year 4 – Darlean Gumble
 Year 5 – Poppie Flo Brodie
 Year 6 – Nakita Lawrence

🏠 Housepoints 🏠

Neptune (Blue) – 169
 Mars (Red) – 153
 Earth (Green) – 135
 Venus (Yellow) – 149

✓ Attendance ✓

Year 1 – 93.31%
 Year 2 – 94.44%
 Year 3 – 92.60%
 Year 4 – 93.60%
 Year 5 – 95.27%
 Year 6 – 94.44%

**Year 5, you were our highest attenders this week.
 Well Done!**

Holiday Event

**Bedfordshire
 Cambridgeshire
 Northamptonshire**
**wildlife
 watch**

**Family Pop-up Watch
 Meet the Livestock**

Come and discover more about Blow's Downs, it's wildlife and resident grazers. Meet our 4-legged conservationists, find out how they help the wildlife and try out some activities.

Wed 11th April | 10.30am-12.30pm Blow's Downs Nature Reserve
 (the Paddocks nearest entrance Half Moon Lane LU5 4AE)

Entry: £3.50 per child, accompanying adults free - **booking is essential**

For more information & to book contact: Sarah 01525 874317 or Toddington@wildlifebcn.org

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www.wildlifebcn.org [facebook.com/groups/northchilternschalk](https://www.facebook.com/groups/northchilternschalk)

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Attendance

A huge congratulations to our 45 pupils who won 96+% Attendance Certificates and our 23 pupils who won 100% Attendance Certificates for the Spring Term. This is a fantastic achievement. Well Done!

In total, our attendance for this term is 94.01% which beats last year's figure of 93.76%.

Diary Dates

Tue. 17 th Apr.	Children return to school
Mon. 23 rd Apr.	The Big Pedal
Sat. 28 th Apr	FOSA Spring Fayre
Tue. 1 st May	Parent Forum
Mon. 7 th May	Bank Holiday
Mon. 14 th May (All Week)	KS2 SATs WEEK
Week Beginning Mon. 21 st May	Bikeability (Year Groups to be agreed)
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