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Dear Families,

I hope you are all well. I am delighted that we are finishing the week with much drier conditions. We have had a busy and productive week. The children have been so focused and engaged with their learning. I am very proud of them all.

The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. This is primarily due to the fact that the liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated annually on October 7. Catholics worldwide on October 7 2024, will pray the Holy Rosary for the success of the Jubilee Year 2025.

Inspired by Pope Francis' call for a global "symphony of prayer," this initiative will see the Rosary recited across the globe at 7pm local time on 7th October . Link to join- https://www.worldrosaryday.com/

Throughout this month at St Augustine's, we will unite in prayer through the intercession of Our Lady, Mother of Hope, for a Jubilee of grace and renewal. To mark the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary during the Year of Prayer, Bishop Patrick will be leading a decade of the Rosary from St Elizabeth's Catholic Voluntary Academy in Belper on Monday 7 October at 9.30am. This will be live -streamed and myself and Key Stage 2 will be joining them.

I have sent you, with this Newsletter, an attachment- How to Pray the Rosary, which I have found helpful and thought you might like a copy too.

Thank you for your continuous support and wishing you a peaceful weekend.

If you have any queries or concerns please catch me at the school gate at the beginning or end of the school day or email me francesmoore@st-augustines.nottingham.sch.uk



### **EVERY SECOND COUNTS**

Our Attendance target is 96%. This week we are 95.7% Well done to Year 3/4 Class who had the highest attendance of 99%



Remember St Augustine's is now on Twitter! To keep up to date with everything the school is doing please follow us @staugustinesNG3. There will be lots of photos and updates on Twitter when join today.





# **First Holy Communion**

**1st Reconciliation and Holy Communion preparation;** forms are now available to register for this preparation in Holy Family Parish which will start in January 2025. Forms are to be collected from church and MUST be returned to church or the parish office by the 15th December. Do not return them to school. Forms received after this date will not be accepted. This preparation is open to children who have reached their 7th birthday by 31st August 2024 (are in Year 3 or above in school this academic year). The forms are available at St Augustine's Church, Our Lady & St Edward's Church and Sacred Heart Church.

# **Birthdays at School**

We love to celebrate the birthdays of our children here at St Augustine's and we know that some parents like to send in treats into school so that their class can celebrate their birthday to.

Please remember that only something small such as a **small bag of Haribo** or other sweets and individual cupcakes are accepted. **We will not be able to take large cakes, as we do not have the capacity in school to cut them and serve them to the children**. Please also keep in mind that some of our children do have allergies or dietary requirements when sending in a treat for the class.

### **Lost property**

We ask that you please label your child's property, because if they do misplace their belongings we can return them to your child.

If your child accidentally takes home someone else's property by mistake we ask that it be returned as soon possible to school as it can make it difficult for the other child / family who may have to replace a lost item. With this in mind a child's green adidas coat is still missing, please can you check at home. Thank you.

# **Prayer Corner**

"THERE IS NO PROBLEM, I
TELL YOU, NO MATTER
HOW DIFFICULT IT IS,
THAT WE CANNOT
SOLVE BY THE PRAYER
OF THE HOLY ROSARY,"
-SISTER LUCIA OF FATIMA



www.thefamilyrosary.org





### **NUT-FREE SCHOOL**

At St Augustine's we strive to provide a safe learning environment for all students. Due to some of our pupils suffering with life threatening nut allergies, we area **NUT-FREE SCHOOL**.

An allergic reaction (anaphylactic shock) can occur through ingestion of nut products, cross contamination and breathing nut dust in the air. Since this condition can be life threatening, we are asking all members of the school community for their help in minimising the risk to these children by:

- a) Avoiding giving children nuts or nut products such as nutella and chocolate spreads, peanut butter, muesli bars, pistachio nuts and all other nut-based products in their packed lunches
- b) Avoiding giving nuts or nut products or snacks/bars containing nuts for break time snacks
- c) Avoiding supplying the school with cakes or food items containing nuts for birthday celebrations, sales or events

We do acknowledge that many foods are labelled as 'may have been produced in a factory handling nuts and cannot be guaranteed to be nut free'. Such items will be allowed in school as it would be unreasonable to expect these to be kept out of school.

Please note where a member of staff notices a pupil eating a nut product, the product will be removed politely and the member of staff will explain why this has to be done. A message will then be sent to the parent to explain what has happened so they are fully informed and to remind them of the Nut-free policy.

Due to the severity of the problem, it is important that all parents carry out the suggested measures and reduce the risk of allergic reaction to these children. This policy was introduced due to specific allergies of some pupils so that the school takes all reasonable steps to keep all of its pupils safe.

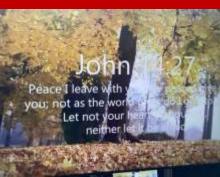
We thank you in advance for your co-operation and support regarding this matter. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact school.













### **Celebration of the Word**

A beautiful Celebration of the Word this week, led by Mrs Rajput. Word of the Week, Solidarity. What does this mean?



# **Reading Time**

Afternoon story with Miss Haimour.







# **Cathedral Music**

Another wonderful session with the Diocese of Nottingham Music learning Holy, Holy.



# **KS2 Briefing**

A productive KS2 briefing first thing this week, sharing best practice.











# On Monday 7th October we will be celebrating our Harvest Festival!

We are now collecting items for our Harvest Festival. If you would like to donate any goods from the list below please bring them to the school office.

All items, after our Harvest Festival, will be donated to Emmanuel House.

Items that we are collecting:

- Tinned Goods
- Coffee, Tea and Hot Chocolate
- Biscuits, snack bars and Cereal bars
- Crisps



- Jams and preserves
- Porridge
- Cereals
- Sugar
- Cooking Sauces
- Herbs, spices, stock cubes
- Pasta
- Rice
- Instant noodles
- Toilet Rolls
- Baby Wipes





# Nottingham City Autism Team

# Parent Transition Workshop for year 6 parents/carers

# Description

This lunch time workshop is designed for parents/carers/families of autistic children in year 6 to help build knowledge and understanding about the transition from primary to secondary school.

The Autism Team will provide an overview of the process and timeline, as well as top tips and resources for helping to prepare your child for transition.

### When:

Monday 14th October 2024 12.30-1.30pm

Where:

Microsoft Teams

Slides and materials can be sent afterwards, but the session will not be recorded



# Benefits

This workshop will be a safe space to ask questions and meet other parents. By the end you should have gained:

- An overview of the transition process and timeline
- What to expect from transition
- Top tips and resources for helping your child prepare for transition
- What schools can do to help

# **Booking**

There is no need to book. Just click the link or QR code to join.

Join the meeting now

Meeting ID: 352 586 753 447

Passcode: Xgujxj







### F2 Curriculum Corner

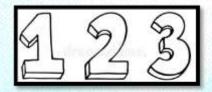
Hello and welcome back to the F2 Curriculum Corner. We have had another busy week, with a lot of different weather too! We make a prediction each morning as to what weather we are going to see that day

We have been reading 'Lulu's First Day' in English and we have been enjoying it so far!

Ask me:

Can you count forwards and backwards to 3?

Can you find groups of 1, 2 and 3 around the house?



To help me:

Practise writing my name at home.

Count with me forwards and backwards (1-10).

Read my reading book with me and make a note of it in my reading record every night.

Next Week:

We will continue reading 'Lulu's First Day' in our English lessons and continue our work in Maths by introducing and exploring the numbers 4 and 5.









# Word of the Week: Rosary

"And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words."

Matthew 6: 7

# **Gospel Value of the Week: Love**

"Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.

Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away.

Corinthians 13: 4-8









# **DIARY DATES**Please keep this safe-New Dates Added



Date	Event
Monday 7th October 2024	Harvest Festival
	School Photos for Year 3-6 and Siblings
Wednesday 9th October 2024	KS1 Movie Night 3.30pm-5pm
Tuesday 15th October 2024	Musical Theatre Performance at Local Hospice
Wednesday 16th October 2024	KS2 Movie Night 3.30pm-5pm
Monday 21st October 2024	School Closed –October Half Term (2 Weeks)
Monday 4th November 2024	School Opens - New half term
Wednesday 6th November 2024	Year 1 Teddy Bear Hospital Workshop
Tuesday 12th November 2024	Parents Evening 3.40-6.30pm (more information to follow)
Thursday 14th November 2024	Parents Evening 3.40-6.30pm (more information to follow)
Friday 15th November 2024	Children in need Non-School Uniform Day £1 Donation (more information to follow)
Tuesday 19th November 2024	PANTO in school
Friday 29th November 2024	INSET DAY - School Closed
Tuesday 3rd December 2024	Christmas Tree Trail and Christmas Fair 3.40pm-5.30pm
	(More information to follow)
Tuesday 10th December 2024	KS1 Christmas Performance 2.30pm in School Hall (more information to follow)
Wednesday 11th December 2024	F2 Nativity Performance 2.30pm in School Hall (more information to follow)
Wednesday 18th December 2024	Christmas Choir and Musical Theatre Performance to parents 3.30pm (more information to follow)
Thursday 19th December 2024	Christmas Dinner and Christmas Party Day
Monday 23rd December 2024	School Closed - Christmas Holidays (2 weeks)
Monday 6th January 2025	School Opens - New Half Term
Wednesday 15th January 2025	Epiphany Mass in Church at 10am
Wednesday 22nd January 2025	Nottingham Castle Trip (more information to follow)





Date	Event
Friday 14th February 2025	INSET DAY - School Closed
Monday 17th February 2025	School Closed - February Half Term (1 Week)
Monday 24th February 2025	School Opens - New half term
Wednesday 5th March 2025	Ash Wednesday
Thursday 6th March 2025	World Book Day
Friday 28th March 2025	F2 Mothers Day Assembly (More information to follow)
Tuesday 1st April 2025	Confessions for Lent
Friday 4th April 2025	Year 5 The Story of Holy Week in School hall at 2.15pm (More information to follow)
Monday 7th April 2025	School Closed - Easter Holidays (2 Weeks)
Tuesday 22nd April 2025	School Opens- New half Term
Wednesday 30th April 2025	Easter Celebration Mass in Church at 10am
Monday 5th May 2025	School Closed - Bank Holiday
Monday 13th- Thursday 16th May	Year 6 SATS Week
Thursday 22nd May 2025	St Augustine's Feast Day :  Mass in Church at 10am  Ice-cream Van to visit school
Monday 26th May 2025	School Closed— May Half term (1 Week)
Monday 2nd June 2025	School Opens - New half term
Monday 16th-20th June 2025	Wellbeing and Sports Week
Tuesday 17th June 2025	Sports Day ( more information top follow)
Thursday 3rd-Friday 4th July 2025	Year 2 Camping Trip to Camp Redwood (more information to follow)
Monday 7th - Wednesday 9th July 2025	Year 6 Briars Residential Trip (More information to follow)
Friday 18th July 2025	Summer Fair (Date to be confirmed, more information to follow)
Wednesday 23rd July 2025	Year 6 Performance 6pm in school hall (more information to follow)
Thursday 24th July 2025	Year 6 Leavers' Mass 10am in Church
Friday 25th July 2025	Last Day of School Year
	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 9.30am in School Hall
Monday 28th July 2025	School Closed - Summer Holidays





# Safeguarding at St Augustine's

**Learning to Serve - Loving to Learn** 

The governors and staff at St Augustine's take seriously our responsibility to promote the welfare and safeguarding of all the children entrusted to our care.

Mrs Moore and Mr Edge are the designated teachers for Child Protection issues and will refer any serious concerns to Social Care.

We will always do our best to work in partnership with parents. We will liaise with Social Services and our Attendance Service in the best interests of the child.

Who do you talk to in school about safeguarding concerns?



Designated Safeguarding Lead - Mr N Edge



Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead Mrs F Moore



Designated Safeguarding Person

Ms E Burrows