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#### Dear Families.

What an incredible week! From Christmas Tree trails, brass bands, cathedral choir to athletics and a few nativity rehearsals!

Schools are very special places to be during this Advent Season. It has been an even greater joy in school this week. The children make us all so proud. Their focus and impeccable behaviour never wanes.

As we move into the second week of Advent, let's think this Sunday about peace, which is represented when we light the second candle.

Maybe over the weekend, you would like to share this prayer, together, as a family?

#### Prayer for peace: one family

Lord God, Father of all,

We, your children, are all members of the same human family, your family.

We implore you to help us to accept your peace,

To be at peace with ourselves and to live in peace with others.

Help us to seek wisdom and justice in all we do.

Help us to be more understanding and compassionate when dealing with others,

To be ready to forgive when wronged,

To be willing to love when hurt and

To strive for harmony and peace when threatened.

Eternal Father, in your mercy, hear our prayer

And grant us your everlasting peace.

Amen.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. If you have any questions or need to get in touch, please don't hesitate to email me at <a href="mailto:frances.moore@st-augustines.nottingham.sch.uk">frances.moore@st-augustines.nottingham.sch.uk</a>. Yours sincerely,

Mrs. F. Moore

#### **EVERY SECOND COUNTS**

Our Attendance target is 96%. This week we are 92.6% Well done to Year 5 Miss Caronato who had the highest attendance of 99%





## We are still accepting donations for our OPAL lunchtimes!

OPAL weekly donations.

This week: Buckets/spades/beach equipment!

As part of our OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) at lunch times we need resources to make it even better!

This week we would really appreciate if you could donate any old buckets, spades, sand etc that we can use in the sand/mud areas we are creating.

Many thanks.







#### **Celebration Assemble**

The quality of our work counts. The quality of our character counts. Every seconds counts. What a great way to start this brand new week.







#### **Year 4 and Year 5 Cathedral Trip**

So proud of Year 4 and Year 5 children who sang beautifully this week and joined several other schools to sing a fabulous full ensemble at the Cathedral. A big thank you to Mr Davies and Mr Treloar.



#### **Celebration of the Word**

A reflective Celebration of the Word as we reflected on our first candle lit during Advent, signifying Hope.







## **Christmas Time in Nursery**

This week Nursery have been decorating hearts with drawings of people we love. We hung them on our Christmas Tree for everyone to see. We had a fabulous time decorating our other Christmas Tree in our role play area!







#### Art in Year 3/4

Mrs Rajput feels so proud of her Year 3/4 sculpture artists! They created some amazing corbel heads for Art. It got messy but we loved it!







### **Learning to Serve**

Well done O. A great example to others as you follow our Learning to Serve promises.



## **Year 3/4 Poetry Reading**

Year 3/4 became actors last week performing a poem about Rosa Parks in Whole Class Reading. They were really expressive and demonstrated the emotions of all the people in the poem beautifully.







#### **Christmas Tree Trail and Christmas Fair**

The Christmas Trees this year were beautiful. Each class focused on a Gospel Value and used this as inspiration to decorate their tree.

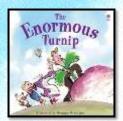
The results were spectacular. The stalls were also great this year, but the icing on the cake was Carlton Brass Band. This added such a special Christmassey atmosphere to the whole event. Mrs Kingsland has worked so hard I n bringing this all together and for making it such a success. Thank you Mrs Kingsland.





#### **F2 Curriculum Corner**

Welcome back to the F2 Curriculum Corner. It has been another busy week in F2, especially with the rehearsals for our upcoming Nativity show (17TH December!)



We have started reading 'The Enormous Turnip' in English. We explored what 'enormous' means and we looked at what a turnip is too – not a popular veg choice in F2 apparently!

#### Ask me:

What was your least favourite part of the story, and why?

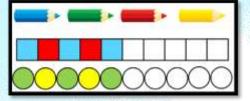
Can you remember all of the characters from the story (there are 7 altogether!)?

In Maths we have been recapping our pattern knowledge.

#### Ask me:

What do the following words mean: repeat, same, different?

Can you make a pattern using household items? Cutlery, socks, pegs?



#### 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:**

Thank you for the cardboard donations – we have as much as we need now so please don't send anymore into school.

Also don't forget to send in your labelled Nativity costumes. We will take these from the children's bags a bit closer to the time of the show for safekeeping.









## Word of the Week: Peace

"Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in every way. The Lord be with you all."

2 Thessalonians 3:16

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

"Let the wicked forsake their ways and the unrighteous their thoughts. Let them turn to the LORD, and he will have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will freely pardon."

Isaiah 55:7









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



Date	Event
<b>Tuesday 10th December 2024</b>	Upper School Choir Visit to Nottingham Hospice 10am
Wednesday 11th December 2024	KS2 Carol Service in Church 9.30 All welcome.
Friday 13th December 2024	Celebration of the Word Class Assembly Year 6 Class 9.10am All Welcome
Monday 16th December 2024	Year 3 and Year 4 Savoy Cinema Trip on Arbor now
<b>Tuesday 17th December 2024</b>	Year 5 and Year 6 Savoy Cinema Trip on Arbor Now
	• F2 Nativity Performance 2.30pm in School Hall <u>Date</u> <u>Change</u>
Wednesday 18th December 2024	KS1 Christmas Performance 2.30pm in School Hall Date change
	<ul> <li>Candlelight Christmas Carol Concert All Welcome</li> <li>3.30pm- 4.30pm in School Hall</li> </ul>
Thursday 19th December 2024	Christmas Dinner and Christmas Party Day
Friday 20th December 2024	Celebration of the Word led by Year 5/6 Class 9.10am Parents Welcome
Monday 23rd December 2024	School Closed - Christmas Holidays (2 weeks)
Monday 6th January 2025	School Opens - New Half Term
Friday 10th January 2025	Celebration of the Word led Year 5 Class 9.10am Parents Welcome
Wednesday 15th January 2025	Epiphany Mass in Church at 10am
Friday 17th January 2025	Celebration of the Word led Year 4 Class 9.10am Parents Welcome
Wednesday 22nd January 2025	Nottingham Castle Trip (more information to follow)
Friday 24th January 2025	Celebration of the Word led by Year 3/4 Class 9.10am Parents Welcome
Friday 31st January 2025	Celebration of the Word led by Year 3 Class 9.10am Parents Welcome
Friday 7th February 2025	Celebration of the Word led by Year 2 Class 9.10am Parents Welcome
Friday 28th February 2025	Celebration of the Word led by Year 1/2 Class 9.10am Parents Welcome





Date	Event
Wednesday 5th March 2025	Ash Wednesday
Thursday 6th March 2025	World Book Day
Friday 7th March 2025	Celebration of the Word led by Year 1 Class 9.10am Parents Welcome
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