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ST AUGUSTINE'S

# NEWSLETTER

Dear Families,

I hope you are all well.

We have had a lovely week at St Augustine's, focusing on Holy Week and what it means. The children have been learning about Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday, and have shown great interest and understanding. Although I feel sad that we won't be together during Holy Week next week, I know the children are well informed about its significance and how special it is within the Catholic faith.

The Lent term has been very busy and incredibly productive. The children have made excellent progress and are a real credit to you. This progress would not be possible without your continued support—it truly is a partnership, so thank you.

Over the Easter break, there are lots of simple ways you can support your child's learning. Encouraging daily reading, practising times tables or number bonds, and discussing the meaning of Easter are all valuable activities. Writing a short diary about their break or completing small creative projects can also help maintain their enthusiasm for learning.

I must also say a sad goodbye to a much-loved member of staff, Mrs Luke. She has been part of St Augustine's for 42 years, working tirelessly behind the scenes to keep the school clean and the children well cared for. We will miss her greatly and thank her for her dedicated service.

Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter. Please also check the diary dates carefully, especially for your child's Celebration of the Word. Whatever you are doing over the Easter break, I hope you have a restful and enjoyable Easter.

And don't forget you can catch me at the school gate at the beginning or end of the school day or email me at [frances.moore@st-augustines.nottingham.sch.uk](mailto:frances.moore@st-augustines.nottingham.sch.uk)

Yours faithfully,  
Mrs Moore

## OPAL Donations

As you may be doing your spring clean over the Easter Holidays we would love any toys or lego/building blocks for OPAL play that you may be clearing out.

If you have any you can donate we would be really grateful.

Miss Rice



## Word of the Week:

**Mercy**

*"Forgive others, and God will forgive you."*

*Luke 6:37 (simplified)*

## Gospel Value of the Week:

**Love"**

*"Love one another as I have loved you."*

*John 13:34*



## The Great British Bake Off

This half term we raised £91.80 from our amazing Easter Egg raffle, next half term we will be holding a bake sale as part of our on going fundraising. It will be held on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May and donations towards this will be greatly appreciated and are to be brought to the school hall on

Tuesday 5th May. Why not practise your fabulous creation together over the Easter Holidays?

We cannot wait to see what wonderful cakes you make.



## School Activities And Clubs

Did you know that there are many clubs and activities that run through out the school year? Please see below for our current clubs and keep an eye out as there are new clubs starting all the time.

**Monday:** Musical Theatre Club

**Tuesday:** KS1 Morning Phonics (invite only)  
Year 6 Maths Boosters (invite only)  
Year 6 Reading Boosters (invite only)  
Year 3/4 Rounders and Cricket

**Wednesday:** KS1 Morning Phonics (invite only)  
Year 5/6 Basketball

**Thursday:** KS1 Morning Phonics (invite only)

**Friday:** KS1 Morning Phonics (invite only)

### Pupil Voice Groups at lunch-times:

Gospel Values Team, School Council, House Captains, Eco-warriors , Well Being Ambassadors

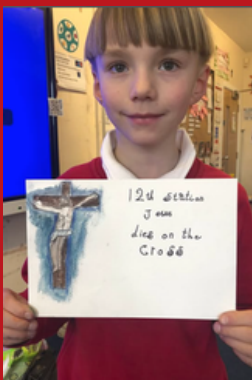
## Stations of the Cross Year 1/2

We're sad not to be in school next week during Holy Week, but Year 1/2 have been spending time reflecting on the Stations of the Cross. Thinking deeply about Jesus and His love for us all.



## Stations of the Cross Year 4

Year 4 explored the Stations of the Cross — a series of moments telling the story of Jesus' journey to the cross. They then used watercolours to illustrate one of the stations. Such beautiful and thoughtful depictions — well done, Year 4!



## RE in F2



Poppies and Daisies have been learning about Jesus and Good Friday.

We talked about what was good about Good Friday — how Jesus showed the greatest love by giving Himself for others.

The children then made their own special promises about how they can be more like Jesus, showing kindness, love and forgiveness every day.

Such thoughtful and beautiful reflections.

## Stations of the Cross Year 5

Year 5 gathered outside to reflect on the story of Holy Week. We explored each day in detail, thinking about how the disciples may have felt and how people responded to Jesus—from Palm Sunday through to Easter Sunday.

At the end, the children also discussed which station they felt Jesus was most welcomed and where he was least favoured.



## DT in KS1

KS1 — what a fantastic DT lesson! Making fruit salad with such care and skill — wow! Your cutting, chopping and claw grip techniques have really improved. We're so impressed



## Baby Shower in Year 5/6



Year 5/6 put on a wonderful baby shower for Mrs Bates.

## Gospel Values in Year 4

Year 4 have been exploring our Gospel Value of the week: Justice. Using scales to understand fairness and what it means to treat everyone equally — such thoughtful learning! "Always be fair and do what is right." (Deuteronomy 16:20)



## OPAL Lunchtimes

Climbing, building, balancing — it's all so much fun with OPAL play! Wow, T — amazing! Your fantastic gymnastics skills were on full display during OPAL play — so impressive! So much creativity, challenge and joy in every moment.





## Dairy Dates

Monday 30th March 2026	School Closed for Easter Holidays - Two Weeks
Monday 13th April 2026	School Open for new half term
Thursday 16th April 2026	F2 Little Wandle Parents Workshop 2.45pm-3.15pm more information to follow
Tuesday 21st April 2026	Easter Mass in Church 9.30am All Welcome
Wednesday 22nd April 2026	· Earth Day (more information to follow) · Afterschool OPAL Stay and Play 3.45-4.30pm more information to follow
Friday 24th April 2026	Celebration of the Word Assembly F2 9.10am in School Hall
Wednesday 29nd April 2026	Year 1 and Year 2 Chatsworth House Trip
Friday 1st May 2026	Celebration of the Word Assembly Year 1 Class 9.10am in School Hall
Monday 4th May 2026	Bank Holiday - School Closed
Tuesday 5th May 2026	School Bake Sale Fundraiser
Friday 8th May 2026	Celbration of the Word Assembly Year ½ Class 9.10am in school hall
Monday 11th - 15th May 2026	Year 6 SATS week
Wednesday 20th May 2026	Seasons of Love a Musical Performance 2pm more information to follow
Thursday 21st May 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• F2 Little Wandle Parents Workshop 2.45pm-3.15pm</li> <li>• St Augustine's Day</li> </ul>
Monday 25th May 2026	School Closed for half term- One Week
Monday 1st June 2026	INSET DAY - School Closed



## Dairy Dates

Wednesday 10th June 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Year 2 Camping meeting for Parents 2.30pm</li><li>· OPAL Stay and play for parents 9.15-10.15am</li></ul>
Thursday 11th June 2026	Year 6 Briars Meeting for Parents 2.30pm
Wednesday 17th June 2026	Afterschool OPAL Stay and Play 3.45-4.30pm
Monday 15th –Friday 19th June 2026	Sports and Wellbeing Week - more information to follow
Wednesday 24th June 2026	Garden Party Summer Fair Fundraiser
Thursday 25th June 2026	Musical Theatre Club Trip - more information to follow
Thursday 2nd-3rd July 2026	Year 2 Camping Trip to Camp Redwood - more information to follow
Wednesday 8th– 10th July 2026	Year 6 Briars Residential Trip - on arbor now
Wednesday 15th July 2026	Open Afternoon 3.30pm to 4.30pm - more information to follow
Thursday 16th July 2026	Year 6 Musical Performance - more information to follow
Friday 17th July 2026	Year 6 Musical Performance - more information to follow
Thursday 23rd July 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Year 6 Leavers Mass in School Hall 10am</li><li>· Year 6 Leavers Disco 5pm-7pm</li></ul>
Friday 24th July 2026	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.10am school hall
Monday 27th July 2026	School Closed - Summer Holidays

## Every Second Counts

Our Attendance target is 96%. This week we are 92.83%  
Well done to Year 4 Class who had the highest attendance of 100%



# PARENT WORKSHOP!

Drop-In Q&A Session with SEND Providers!

Come and speak to different professionals,  
Ask questions, Get support!

**Henry Ward**

**Learning Support**

Help with Maths, Reading  
and Writing difficulties

**Dr. Sophie Wright**

**Educational Psychologist**

Support with Wellbeing  
& Anxiety

**Sarah Golding**

**Autism Team Teacher**

Support with Autism  
& Sensory Needs

**Miss Doherty**

**School SENDCO**

Help with SEND  
Queries



**St Augustine's  
RC Primary**

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April**

**Time: 2:00 - 3:00pm**



## **Safeguarding at St Augustine's** **Learning to Serve - Loving to Learn** **Who do you talk to in school about** **safeguarding concerns?**



**Designated Safeguarding Lead – Mrs F Moore**



**Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead**

**Ms E Burrows**



**Designated Safeguarding Person**

**Mrs C Soulsby**

**Who do you talk to if you have concerns about a colleague...What if it's the Head you are worried about?**

If you have a concern about a colleague – always report to **Headteacher**

If you have a concern about the Headteacher – report to the **CEO of the Trust**

**Mr James McGeachie** [jmcgeachie@okatholicmat.co.uk](mailto:jmcgeachie@okatholicmat.co.uk)



St Augustine's



2025/2026

# Make a Difference Become a School Governor

## Parent or Foundation Governor?

We are excited to share that we are seeking candidates for a Parent Governor role and that the Diocese are recruiting Foundation Governors.

### Who is eligible to apply?

#### Foundation Governor

- ✓ Practising Catholic
- ✓ Over 18 years old
- ✓ Be committed to attending the relevant meetings.
- ✓ Be prepared to play an active part in a Local Governing Body's work

#### Parent Governor

- ✓ Be a parent or an individual exercising parental responsibility, of a registered pupil at the school.
- ✓ Be committed to attending the relevant meetings.
- ✓ Be prepared to play an active part in the Local Governing Body's work

Full eligibility criteria for both roles available upon request.

Want to know more? Contact us



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Join us - your skills matter!  
No experience needed - just commitment and passion.





# St Augustine's Catholic Primary & Nursery School



**Come and see why  
our school is a  
fantastic choice for  
your family**

**At St Augustine's, we strive to love and  
serve God in all that we do.**

**We welcome applications from all faith  
and non-faith backgrounds.**

***"A school that consistently goes the  
extra mile to support pupils and  
families."***

Catholic School Inspection September 2025

**Please contact the school to  
arrange a visit**



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# Feel Good Breakfast



**Monday 30 March to  
Thursday 2 April**  
and  
**Tuesday 7 April to  
Friday 10 April**  
**9am to 10am**

Cherry Lodge, King Edward Park  
Carlton Road, NG3 2AS

Join us over Easter for breakfast with cereal, toast, fruit, hot and cold drinks and more

**Free** - no need to book, just drop in  
Everyone welcome!

To find out more call 0115 911 2226  
or email [enquiries@renewaltrust.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@renewaltrust.org.uk)



# Renewal Trust Holiday Club



**Monday 30 March to Thursday 2 April**  
**10am to 2pm**

Cherry Lodge, King Edward Park, Carlton Road NG3 2AS

Join The Renewal Trust and friends for some Easter holiday fun with multi sports, cycling, Lego, arts and crafts and more - Lunch is provided

**Free - Sessions for ages 5 to 14**

**Book your place:** [bit.ly/rtholidayclub](http://bit.ly/rtholidayclub)

Sessions open to families who are eligible for free school meals

To find out more call 0115 911 2226 or email [enquiries@renewaltrust.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@renewaltrust.org.uk)





# Feel Good Easter Festival

Join us for some feel good Easter fun with Easter activities and a visit from the Easter rabbit!

**Tuesday 31 March, 3:30pm to 6pm**

Cherry Lodge King Edward Park, Carlton Road, NG3 2AR

**£2 per child**

**Book your place:** [bookwhen.com/renewaltrust](http://bookwhen.com/renewaltrust)

