



St Augustine's Catholic Primary School

Autumn 2015 Newsletter 5

This month's Value is '**Care and Compassion**'
Please can you re-enforce this with the children at home throughout November

Message from the Head

Dear Parents,

Last week we had our Section 48 RE Inspection which seemed to go really well. The inspectors were really happy with the school and were very impressed with all the pupils. We will find out in the next week or two what grading they will give us.

You will have been informed by now that due to Health and Safety issues the Christmas productions will be an all-ticket event. As usual there are two showings, both identical, in order to give you all an opportunity to watch the performances - there will be an Infant Nativity, followed by some of our newly formed musical groups and then the Junior Carol Concert with Readings. Please fill in your applications for tickets as soon as possible. There might be an opportunity for more than the allotted 2 tickets depending on up-take, these will be allocated after Friday 27th November 2015.

To help us get into the mood for Christmas a group of our children will be singing in the parish Advent Service in St Joseph's Church on Wednesday 2nd December at 6pm. Please come along and support us if you are free. All pupils welcome - even if they are not performing.

I will be sending out a letter soon to every Catholic child in Year 4 or above who has not made their First Holy Communion. We will be supporting the parish in helping the children make their Sacraments in school, but there is a commitment to attend Mass on Sundays.

Mr John Entwistle

School Clubs for this term

Mondays:	Year 1 and 2 Craft club Year 1 and 2 Drawing/Colouring club Year 3 and 4 Multi-sport club Year 3-6 Disney Film club Year 5 and 6 Born to Move club
Tuesdays:	Years 1 and 2 Gymnastics club (dinner time) Years 1 and 2 Cookery club Years 1 and 2 Multi-sport club Years 3 - 6 Sewing club Years 5 and 6 Chess club (dinner time) Years 5 and 6 Yoga club
Wednesdays:	Years 1 and 2 Choir (dinner time) Year 3 Fun Fitness club Years 3-6 Craft club Years 5 and 6 Football club Years 5 and 6 One World club
Thursdays:	Years 3 and 4 Homework club Years 4 and 5 Recorder club Years 5 and 6 Drama group Years 5 and 6 Sports club
Fridays:	Year 2 Ukulele music club (dinner time) Year 3&4 Ukulele music club (dinner time) Drama club Years 3-6 Choir Years 5 and 6 Homework club

Advent

Advent starts next Sunday (29th November). We are hoping this year to have a focus in order to help the children reflect more on the true message of Christmas.

We have appointed Mr Cobb on a trial basis as a Lay Chaplain in school for 2 mornings a week. This is a new position in school and the governors are trialling it to see what impact it will have on developing the spiritual nature of our school.

During Advent Mr Cobb will be giving the children opportunities for a range of prayer and reflection sessions at break times as well as leading Advent art and music sessions.

Please take the time to look at our new Behaviour Management Policy on the school website: www.staugustinespreston.co.uk

Foundation Class Open Afternoon

Closing date for applications for next year's Foundation Reception) Class is the **15th January**. If you have a child in nursery that will be ready for school in September can you please be aware that you need to apply soon.

Applications for a place at this school should be made using the online system via www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools, then - 'Apply for a school place'. You also need to complete a school admission form— available from the school office.

On Monday 30th November we will be holding an Open Afternoon for prospective Foundation Class parents from 1:30 - 6:30pm. Please come along if you would like to look around the newly refurbished Infant Department and bring along any other parents you know might be interested in sending their child to our school in September.

Fortnightly Winners

Shining Light Awards

Foundation:	Dareen Rassul, Shamara Goulbourne, Jessica Luckiewicz, Afeefah Gani, Fortune Ekhatior, Sheldon Vickers.
Y1:	Layton Baxter, Adrian Wisniewski, Aisha Patel.
Y1/2:	Nicholas Morys, Gera Carmona-Sib
Y2:	Roksanna Juraz, Khudaijah Patel.
Y3:	Eryk Kubecki, Aryan Salim
Y3/4:	Abbas Nakhuda, Aaliyah Dadabhoy
Y4/5:	Zahra Siddiqi, Yaseen Patel
Y5/6:	Aleyah Yusuf Muhammad Ameen Saleh
Y6:	All children who went to Scotland.

Value Pupils of the Week

Foundation:	Muhammad Faiz Ismail, Qasim Alli, Mohammed Ayaan Patel, Sumayya Nakhuda, Berenice Imafidon-Oviasogie, Lena, Belchnerowska.
Y1:	Marcel Bajerski, Alfie Stewart, Jayden Smith
Y1/2:	Alica Barnes, Husna Mamsa
Y2:	Jessica Gonzales
Y3:	Bethany Landry, Muhammad Usayd Atcha
Y3/4:	Joshua Simpson, Sade May Garber
Y4/5:	Aaminah Adam, Catherine McKee
Y5/6:	Zahra Nakhuda, Kiera Ham
Y6:	Fatima Munshi

Important dates for this term

23-25 Nov	Groups from Foundation Class to St Wilfrid's
24th Nov	Y3/4 and Y4/5 to Recycling Centre
27th Nov	Lancashire Day MADD DAY
30th Nov	30 Nov/4 Dec Christmas Art Week Open Afternoon
2nd Dec	Parish Advent Service St Joseph's Church 6pm
3rd Dec	Parent Group Disco 4:15 - 5:30pm
4th Dec	Whole School Celebration Assembly Deadline for Homework Grids p.m. Y3 to St Wilfrid's Church Non-uniform day— collecting gifts for the Christmas Fayre.
7th Dec	Christmas Production—1st showing
8th Dec	Catholic Year of Mercy begins Y3 to Dance Festival at CTK
9th Dec	Y5/6 to Blackpool to see Christmas Carol p.m. Y1 and Y1/2 to St Wilfrid's Church
10th Dec	Christmas Productions—2nd showing
11th Dec	Christmas Fayre Clubs finish for the term
15th Dec	KS1 Talent Showcase p.m. Y5/6 to St Wilfrid's Church
16th Dec	Christmas Dinner
17th Dec	Christmas Party Day
18th Dec	KS2 Talent Showcase
18th Dec	1:30 pm Finish for Christmas

Appropriate Footwear

Can I please remind parents that our Uniform Policy states that the children must wear sensible **black** shoes/trainers for school.

Some parents have been asking about girls wearing boots during the winter. We have no issue with the children wearing boots to and from school as long as they have a pair of shoes to change into during the school day. The problem we have with the children wearing boots in school is that they do seem to be a bit of a fashion item and some girls have come in all sorts of boots. Some have been very distracting, some too warm to be worn all day and some fluffy and some nearly knee length. Thank you for your continued cooperation on this matter.