



St Augustine's Catholic Primary School

Spring Newsletter 5 (30/03/15)

This month's Value is '**Patience and Tolerance**'
Please can you re-enforce this with the children at home throughout March

Message from the Head

Dear Parents,

After the Easter holidays we will be trying something different at dinner time. At St Augustine's we have always had 'Family Service' instead of canteen service which has been adopted by virtually every other school. This is where the children come in and sit down and are served their dinner at their place.

I feel that, for several reasons, we need to look at a different solution:

- The children do not get a choice of what they want to eat and some children do not like what is served to them so will only eat a small amount
- I do not like that the children eating the vegetarian option and own packed lunch have to sit separately from the rest of the children
- With the Universal Free School Meals for Infant children we have had a large increase in numbers eating a hot dinner—this has made serving all the children very labour-intensive and time consuming - meaning some children are have to rush to finish
- The children have set places and if they are off when they return they are put where there is a space - even if it is not with their friends

So, from the first day back after Easter we will be trialling a canteen service for the term. The children will queue up in classes for their food and then choose where they sit. They will have an option of approximately 3 dishes— there will always be at least one main meal option (meat and vegetarian) as well as a jacket potato with filling and a hot/cold sandwich. There will also be a salad bar.

We will still be keeping the family atmosphere for the children in the Nurture Dinners as we feel it is vital for them.

I hope you understand why we feel we need to at least trial this for a term. After a week or two please feel free to let us know what feedback you are getting from your children.

Mr John Entwistle

School Clubs for this half-term

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| Mondays: | EYFS Craft club Year 1&2 Craft club Year 3&4 Disney club KS2 Choir club Year 5&6 Homework club (break time) Year 5&6 Magazine club (break time) Year 6 Reading booster club Year 6 Polish support group |
| Tuesdays: | Years 2&3 Netball club Years 3&4 Disney film club Year 5&6 Homework club (break time) Years 5&6 PNE multi-sports club Year 6 Maths booster club Year 6 Polish support group |
| Wednesdays: | Year 4&5 French club (break time) |
| Thursdays: | Year 3&4 Reading club Year 5&6 Dance club Year 6 Polish support group Year 6 Writing booster |
| Fridays: | Infant French club (dinnertime) Year 3&4 Recorder club Years 1-4 Petite Acting Academy - drama club for Pupil Premium children. |

Reminders for the next fortnight at school

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| Mon 30th Mar | No streaming this week - children taught in their own classes. KS2 PSHE morning - focus on Community Living KS1 Easter Egg Competition Day |
| Tues 31st Mar | World War 1 workshop in Y5/6 KS2 Egg Race Day PNE Coaches in Y1 and Y3 |
| Wed 1st May | Alex Morys' Funeral |
| Thurs 2nd May | Easter Reflection 9:15 am followed by the raffle Finish school for Easter at 1:30pm |

EASTER HOLIDAYS

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| Mon 20th Apr | Start back to school Y4 swimming |
| Tues 21st Apr | Year 1 start pedestrian training PNE coaches in Y1 and Y3 |
| Wed 22nd Apr | Y2 trip to St Wilfred's |
| Thurs 23rd Apr | Celebration Assembly and Coffee Morning Half of FC to Pizza Express Governors training session on RaiseOnline |
| Fri 24th Apr | WW1 MADD Day—dress up day |

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Morning Drop-off

Mrs Archibald has asked me to remind parents that for health and safety reasons Infant children should be handed over to the class teacher when the doors open at 8:55am. They should not be left unattended on the playground before then.

Can I also remind parents that children should not be left unattended before Breakfast club doors open at 8:20am.

**Don't forget we finish for Easter at 1:30pm
on Thursday and return to school on
Monday 20th April**

World War 1 Day

On the first Friday back after half term we will be holding our commemoration day for the First World War.

This will be our last MADD day of the year and we would like the children to dress up in outfits from the period if possible.

We will be doing lots of activities during the day relating to it including a story-teller - more information to follow later this week.

Fortnightly Winners

Infant Stars of the Week

FC: Erica Chong, Samir Desai, Hasina Hansrot, Jakub Hereta, Yahya Ismail, Fiza Motola

Y1: Kaylyn Billington, Kian Hetherington

Y1/2: Jameel Ahmed, Klaudia Majewska

Y2: Matthew Hetherington, Julia Pawlak

Junior Model Pupils

Y3: Amaan Bashir, Aaliyah Dadabhoy

Y3/4: Fatima Khan

Y4/5: Aaliyah Esmail, Fatima Munshi

Y5/6: Nidabegum Kadri, Yasin Nakhuda

Y6: Oliwia Siwiecka, Hamza Yusuf

Value Pupils of the Week/Month

FC: Marcel Bajerski, Patryk Filipiak, Konrad Migacz, Simrah Siddiqi, Alfie Stewart.

Y1: Ahmed Ghani, Nicholas Morys

Y1/2: Daniel Kunikowski, Khudaijah Patel

Y2: Kayleigh Cornwell, Prisha Panchal

Y3: Joshua Ward, Samuel Moss

Y3/4: Oliwia Banach, Afshan Shah

Y4/5: Sana Nakhuda, Lukasz Chorazewicz

Y5/6: Roksana Komander, Faustyna Wojcik

Y6: Hannah Dedat

This half term's diary

Anything in bold you are welcome to attend, anything in larger font is a new event:

IMPORTANT DATES FOR NEXT TERM

- 23rd Apr **Celebration Assembly and Coffee Morning**
Half of Foundation Class to Pizza Express
- 24th Apr World War 1 MADD day
- 28th Apr Parent Group meeting 9am
- 30th Apr Half of Foundation Class to Pizza Express
- 1st May NHS to start TB screening in school
- 4th May Bank Holiday
- 7th May INSET day - children not in school
- 11th May Start of Year 6 SATs week
- 15th May Non-uniform day - Father's Day gifts
- 18th May Start of Year 2 SATs week
Borwick Hall Parents' Meeting at 3:30pm
- 2nd June Junior Sports Day - morning
- 3rd June Infant Sports Day - morning
- 8th June Start of Year 6 residential week at Borwick Hall
- 6th July Start of RE focus week

Happy Easter

**We wish all our families
a happy and restful
Easter holidays**



Don't forget that in the Parish of St John XXIII there are opportunities for our Catholic Families to celebrate Easter on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday. Please see the parish website for times and venues.