



St Augustine's Catholic Primary School

Autumn 2016 Newsletter 3

This month's Value is '**Responsibility**'

Please can you re-enforce this with the children at home throughout October

Message from the Head

Dear Parents,

Last week we held our first 'bring your parent to lunch' day for our Infant parents. We were amazed at the response; with over 70 parents and younger brothers and sisters coming. It was lovely to see everybody joining together for lunch and the parents I spoke to were impressed with the food and enjoyed the experience.

A big thanks has to go out to our cook, Marie, and her team who worked really hard to cater for all the extra guests as well as making all the children's dinners. We hope to repeat this next term and invite Junior parents - hopefully we will be able to get the funding again from the school's catering team!

On the 15th November we will be holding an Open Morning and 16th November an Open Afternoon. These are for parents of children who will be starting school next September. If you know anyone who has a child who is due to start school next year can you please encourage them to attend and let them know how happy you are with our school. If they can not attend those days please let us know and we can arrange another time.

Due to the numbers attending the free Breakfast Club we have had to slightly alter the way we run it. Instead of running right until 8:55am indoors we are trialling a system whereby most of the children will be taken onto the playground by the teachers on duty at 8:45am and given a chance for a run around. The Foundation Class pupils will still be kept inside and taken to their class. On rainy days we will keep them all in Breakfast Club until 8:55am. *Mr John Entwistle*

Don't forget that we have a Breakfast Club that runs from 7:30 am. If you want more information or to book a place please see the office staff - it is £3 a day.

School Clubs for this term

Mondays:	Year 1 and 2 Drawing and Colouring club Year 1 and 2 Gardening club Years 5 and 6 Dance club Year 6 Maths club (Invitation only)
Tuesdays:	Years 1 and 2 Multi-sport club Years 1 and 2 Craft club Year 6 Literacy club (Invitation only)
Wednesdays:	Years 1 and 2 Choir (dinner time) Years 1 and 2 Film club Years 3-6 Art, Craft and Henna club Years 5 and 6 Football club Years 5 and 6 One World club
Thursdays:	Years 1 and 2 Card and Board Games club Years 1 and 2 Art and Sketching club Years 3 and 4 Homework 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

Clubs run every week until 2/12/16 - please check with Mrs Stack for any spare availability

After school Care

Following requests from parents to provide after school care we have now gone out to tender. With support from Lancashire County Council we have identified providers who work in the Preston area and have sent out invites to over a hundred. We are hoping to get a good response and the governors will then go through a shortlisting and interview process.

It will take us probably until February half term at the earliest to go through everything and ensure they have all the necessary checks, certifications and insurances. I will keep you informed when I know anything.

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www.staugustinespreston.co.uk

School Worship

With our parish losing two priests we have struggled to get the support we have wanted in school. We are very grateful that the priests at St Wilfrid's Church have agreed to say Mass in school and provide any support we need with the RE lessons. Fr Stephen said Mass for us a couple of weeks ago and we have several more planned. Parents are welcome to join us (we have also invited former St Augustine's parishioners) - please see the dates in the diary section of this newsletter.

A group of Juniors will be going to Lancaster for the day on the 7th of November to represent the school at our diocesan Year of Mercy Pilgrimage. Schools from all over the diocese have been joining together to Worship and to find out more about the history of Christianity in Lancashire. We have chosen all the children who have made their First Holy Communion and our Worship Leaders (who have been leading assemblies and supporting collective worship in different classes) to represent the school.

Fortnightly Winners

Shining Light Awards

Foundation: Mateusz Janaszek, Lacey Martin, Muhammad Hansrot, Julian Piotrowska, Amad Elahi, Jayden Miller Reed

Nurture: Seweryn Rumin

Y1: Qasim Alli, Wiktoria Majewska, Maryam Siddiqi, Aadil Kazi

Y1/2: Haider Ali Khan, Afeefah Ghani,

Y2: Hasina Hansrot, All of Year 2 Class!

Y3: Isabelle Stewart, Jakub Wasielewski,

Y3/4: Kayleigh Cornwell, Ibraaheem Bhula

Y4/5: Maarya Bagia, Nicol Kumor

Y5/6: Zahra Siddiqi, Rhiannon Sullivan

Y6: Ibrahim Omer, Muhammad-Ameen Saleh

Value Pupils of the Week

Foundation: Julian Piotrowski, Jayden Miller-Reed, Amad Elahi, Lacey Martin, Michalina Misiul, Alexis James

Nurture: Kenzie Day

YR/1: Mikolaj Migacz, Lukasz Pawlak, Wiktor Poreba, Wiktoria Majewska

Y1/2: Julia Malek, Shamara Goulbourne, Hala Nakhuda

Y2: Simrah Siddiqi, Unaysah Patel

Y3: Ahmed Ghani, Wasi Ahmed, Ahmed Ghani

Y3/4: Emma Flannery, Muhammad Usayd Atcha

Y4/5: Khadejah Islam, Amaan Bashir

Y5/6: Aleksander Bitner, Sade May Gerber

Y6: Kulthoom Atcha, Sana Nakhuda

Important dates for this term

- 19th Oct Football match v St Ignatius' school
20th Oct Governors Building and Staffing/Finance mtg
24-28th Oct 'Genius Week'
27th Oct PTA Bake-Off entry day and judging
28th Oct **Whole School Celebration Assembly 9:15 - Bake-Off awards**
Genius Week Presentations in class p.m.
Finish for half term
HALF TERM = 31/10 - 4/11
7th Nov Start back to school
Group of Y5&6s pilgrimage to Lancaster
11th Nov Polish MADD Day
14-18th Nov Pastoral Week (anti-bullying/ e-safety)
Children in Need fundraiser -biscuit decoration
15th Nov Open morning for next year's Reception children
16th Nov Open Afternoon
17th Nov Y3 to Harris Museum—Battle of Preston
23rd Nov Full Governors meeting
24th Nov Group of KS2 children to Parish End of Year of Mercy Mass
30th Nov **Mass in school at 9:30am**
1st Dec PTA Advent Disco after school
5-9th Dec Christmas Art Week
7th Dec **Evening Parish Advent Service at Christ the King High School**
13th Dec **Afternoon Christmas Production**
14th Dec **Morning Christmas Production**
15th Dec **Christmas Fayre**
16th Dec Christmas Dinner
19th Dec Team Challenge Day
20th Dec Christmas Party Day
21st Dec **Mass in school at 9:30 am**
Finish for Christmas at 1:30 pm
5th Jan Start back to school

Sports Events

We are trying to organise a lot more sporting events for the children this year. We have joined with our local schools to take part in tournaments at Christ the King (last week our Y6s won the football tournament- winning 6 matches and drawing 1). We have also partnered up with St Ignatius' School to organise 'friendlies' - we are starting with football. Last week our team did really well but were narrowly defeated - it was their first match!