



# St Augustine's Catholic Primary School

## Spring Newsletter 4 (16/03/15)

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,

We will be holding our second Parents' Evening of the year on Tuesday 24th March. We are doing things slightly different for this one as quite a few parents have commented in the past that they would prefer to talk to their child's English and Maths teachers rather than the class teacher.

You will be sent a letter as normal to sign up for a time. It will say on the letter who your child's teacher for English and Maths is. You will be able to pick a 15 minute time slot whereby you can see both of them. The appointments will be shorter than usual as they will be only talking about the one subject (and the teachers will have to see twice as many parents).

This is the first time we have tried this so you will have to bear with us please - there might be delays if a lot of parents want a similar slot. If you have more than one child in the Infants or Juniors and they have the same teacher for English or Maths you will be able to talk about them in the same appointment.

As per usual some year 6s will be asking you to fill in our annual questionnaire for parents. Please do so as your opinion and ideas are vital if we are to continue to improve what we do for the children.

*Mr John Entwistle*

### Instrumental Tuition

Due to a few parents approaching school about instrument tuition we have organised for the Lancashire Music Service to provide lessons. You can choose to have individual lessons (£10.50) or group (£6.50 - maximum of 4 children) - these are paid direct to the scheme.

The children can choose any instrument they want and these can be hired from the Music Service - to be used in school and at home.

Please see Mrs Archibald for information or you can apply online at <https://www.lmsenrol.co.uk>

### School Clubs for this half-term

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

Mon 16th Mar	Start of Science Week in school Y4s Swimming
Tues 17th Mar	Author Dan Worsley in to lead KS2 assembly St Patrick's Day themes lunch PNE coaches in Y3 and Y1
Fri 20th Mar	Homework Grid Deadline Y4/5 Tennis Coaching Fr Stephen visiting Y3 and Y3/4 Fr Peter visiting Y1
Mon 23rd Mar	Bikeability starts for Year 5s and 6s - sessions all week Y4s Swimming
Tues 24th Mar	PNE coaches in Y3 and Y1 3:30 - 6pm Streamed Parents' Evening
Wed 25th Mar	Foundation Class to St Wilfred's Church
Thurs 26th Mar	Y4/5 Tennis Coaching Governors shortlisting for the Deputy Head post
Fri 27th Mar	9am Celebration Assembly and coffee morning Y4/5 Tennis Coaching Fr Peter visiting Y2

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Last Saturday a group of dancers from the Juniors performed on the Flag Market in the centre of Preston along with 3 other schools. They have been rehearsing hard over the past few weeks and really did us proud (in our opinion they were the best set of dancers there). Well done everyone.



### Fundraising

We have to say a big 'THANK YOU' to you all for helping support our fundraising efforts over the last few weeks.

The Parent Group have now raised over £1000 this year for the Defibrillator Scheme - they have now raised enough for us to purchase one - again thank you all for your generosity - we never thought we could raise the money so quickly. For the Mothers' Day Wrapping alone they raised just over £400! (They are currently deciding on their next project - any ideas please let us know). The date of the next meeting is 28th April at 9am.

Organised by the School Council, we also managed to raise £468.75 for Comic Relief, through the PJ day and biscuit sales as well as quite a few sponsored silences that the children organised themselves.

## Fortnightly Winners

### Infant Stars of the Week

FC: Maks Helewski, Aisha Patel, Erica Chong, Patryk Filipiak, Unaysah Patel, Haider Ali Khan  
 Y1: Umar Vaid, Cyrus Blakey-Salim  
 Y1/2: Ibraheem Bhula, Kelsey Firth  
 Y2: Zaina Nakhuda, Isabelle Stewart

### Junior Model Pupils

Y3: Maarya Bagia, Aamina Kinloch  
 Y3/4: Oliwia Banach, Mohammed-Siddiq Atchha  
 Y4/5: Oliwia Banach, Oliwia Banach  
 Y5/6: Zahra Siddiqi, Naeem Ranjani  
 Y6: Rebekah Davis, Rebekah Davis

### Value Pupils of the Week/Month

FC: Sara Desai, Raihan Saleh, Marcel Bajerski  
 Y1: Kaylee Ainsworth, Kornelia Maik,  
 Y1/2: Husnain Malik, Mariya Alli  
 Y2: Khadeja Islam, Wiktorina Feidak  
 Y3: Raihan Bux, Amaan Bashir  
 Y3/4: Ayhem Al-Qudah, Catherine McKee  
 Y4/5: Zahra Nakhuda, Zahra Nakhuda  
 Y5/6: Zuzanna Czworden, Nabeelah Mangera  
 Y6: Zayd Desai, Beau Smith

## This half term's diary

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

### Important dates for the diary in the next half term:

14th Mar	Dance Club flash Mob in the city centre
16th Mar	Start of Science Week
17th Mar	St Patrick's Day lunch
20th Mar	Deadline for Homework Grids and Challenges
23rd Mar	Start of Bikeability in years 5 & 6
24th Mar	<b>Parents' Evening (to see streamed teachers)</b>
27th Mar	<b>Whole School Celebration Assembly 9:15am</b>
30th Mar	Start of Holy Week
1st Apr	Easter competition day
2nd Apr	a.m. Easter Reflection and finish for Easter at 1:30pm

### **IMPORTANT DATES FOR NEXT TERM**

24th Apr	World War 1 MADD day
28th Apr	Parent Group meeting 9am
7th May	INSET day - children not in school
11th May	Start of Year 6 SATs week
18th May	Start of Year 2 SATs week
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

### Family Support

Our new Family Support Worker, Lynn Catterall, is now in post and has hit the ground running. She is already supporting a number of our families - she has attended housing meetings and helped parents ensure they are receiving all the benefits they are entitled to. In the next few weeks she will be contacting some of our families to see if there is anything they need help with.

If there is anything you feel you need support with please contact Lynn by ringing the school number and pressing '2'.