



# St Augustine's Catholic Primary School

## Summer 2017 Newsletter 2

This next month's Value is '**Forgiveness and Justice**'  
Please can you re-enforce this with the children at home throughout June

### Message from the Head

Dear Parents,

Gosh! I can not believe we are on our half term holiday next week - time seems to be flying at the moment and there is so much going on in school. **Please look at the diary dates on the back of the newsletter - there have been quite a few things added.**

When we get back after the break we will be in the month of Ramadan, where quite a few of our children will be fasting during the day. My understanding is that it is not compulsory for the children to fast until they reach puberty. A lot of our children do want to fast and we admire this as it is good preparation for when they need to do it. We are at a time when the days are nearly at the longest and when it is getting hotter. Going without food and drink during the day does affect the children - their concentration levels do drop considerably and they become very tired and at times light headed.

We do not want to stop any of our Muslim children remembering Ramadan or following their faith beliefs but can we ask that (especially for the Infant children) there is some form of compromise. Maybe part fasting - either selective days (preferably at the weekend) or fasting until dinner time.

For the Junior children that will be fasting we will put aside a quiet area for them to rest and the Garden Room will be available for prayer during dinner time. *Mr John Entwistle*

### General Election Voting in school

On the 8th June a General Election has been called. As the school is used as a Polling Station for the area we normally put an INSET Day on that day. This is an additional election this year and we can not close the school. We have come to a compromise with Preston City Council to ensure that we can be used a Polling Station whilst keeping the children as safe as possible. They will be using the far wing of the school where the Nurture Room and Y3/4 classroom is. Y3/4 are planning a trip for that day and the Nurture Group are returning to their classes in the Infants. Access for voters will be through the school car park. There will be plenty of signage around to guide people and we will use fencing to try to cordon off the area. The council have agreed to pay a part time member of staff to be around to 'guide' people and ensure they do not gain access to the rest of the school and the children.

**If any parents have a few hours to volunteer and help us out with this on the day it would be appreciated - please let the school office know.**

### School Clubs for this term

Mondays:	Year 1 and 2 Drawing and Colouring club Junior Dance club - Years 3-6 Outdoor games/film club - Years 3-6
Tuesdays:	Years 1 and 2 Multi-sport club
Wednesdays:	Years 1 and 2 Choir (dinner time) Years 1 and 2 Craft club Years 4-6 Rounders club Years 3-4 Multi-sport club Years 5 and 6 Football club Junior One World club
Thursdays:	Years 1 and 2 Cards, Board Games & Jigsaws club Junior Homework club
Fridays:	Year 2 Ukulele music club (dinner time) Junior guitar music club (dinner time) Junior Choir Junior Homework club

**Clubs run every week from 24th April 2017 - 7th July 2017. Please check with the school office for any spare availability.**

### Parent Pay

In the Parent Questionnaire that you filled in at the last Parents' Evening we had a resounding 81% of you saying that you would like us to go over to an online payment system for dinner money and trips etc. This means that you will not need to bring cash into school to pay but transfer money directly. If you do not have the facilities to do this you will be able to use one of the many PayPoints in the area.

We have looked at quite a few options and feel that ParentPay will suit all our needs the best. As well as allowing you to make payments it will eventually allow you to choose the meals you want your child to have in advance.

We have decided to set this up initially for the Junior parents who pay for school dinners and then roll it out to the rest of the school. We will be contacting the relevant parents after half term to start the process.

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[www.staugustinespreston.co.uk](http://www.staugustinespreston.co.uk)

### School Plea - DVDs

The 'video' player in the Infant Hall has finally stopped working.

We have a new DVD player that we use for wet break times but we do not have many DVDs. If you have any suitable (U Certificate) DVDs that you are not using any more can you please consider donating them to school - they can be handed into the school office. Thank you!

### After School Care

As you know, we have appointed Simply Out Of School (SOOS) to run our new after school club. They have been working behind the scenes to ensure everything will be ready for the September launch. As they will be Ofsted Registered you will be able to use Child Care Vouchers to pay for any sessions that your child attends.

SOOS will be contacting you after half term to give you more information and to get parents to sign up for the service. If you have any questions about this please don't hesitate to ask.

## Fortnightly Winners

### Shining Light Awards

Foundation: Yuosf Abdul, Keira Johnrose, Leonard Dabrowska, Hannah Atcha  
Y1: Ethan Scanlan, Fortune Ekhaton  
Y1/2: Oliwia Majewska, Yahya Ismail  
Y2: Yahya Ismail, All of Year 2  
Y3: Noah Cookson, Nicholas Morys  
Y3/4: Zainuddin Subedar, Bethany Landry  
Y4/5: Mohammed Piperdi, Aamina Kinloch  
Y5/6: Zahra Siddiqi, Zaynab Patel  
Y6: Rummanah Laly

### Value Pupils of the Week

Foundation: Leo Hope– Moran, Remaya Nicholls, Georgia Smith, Lacey Martin  
YR/1: Sheldon Vickers, Mikolaj Migacz  
Y1/2: Afeefah Gani, Raihan Saleh  
Y2: Marcel Bajerski, Aisha Patel  
Y3: Gracie Burns, Raihan Shah  
Y3/4: Sarah Sobiecka, Maryam Vorajee  
Y4/5: Sumayya Begum, Tagen Glenn  
Y5/6: Humaid Mulla, M-Habeeb Atcha  
Y6: Dylan Garcia

## Important dates for your diary

5th June	Start back to school after half term
6th June	Foundation Class trip to the Wild Boar Park
7th June	<b>Pentecost Mass in school - 9:30am</b>
	<b>Next Year's Foundation Class Parent Induction Meeting</b>
8th June	General Election Day voting in school
	Governors Curriculum and Community Committee
9th June	Non-uniform day for Father's Day gifts
	Year 3 7 a-side competition at Christ the King
	<b>PTA meeting at 9:00am</b>
13th June	Non-uniform day for Summer Fair - £1 donation
14th June	Y3 trip to Lancaster
15th June	Walk to School Day
16th June	PTA Father's Day gift buying and wrapping
	Y5/6 Cycling competition at Christ the King
19th June	Newman Students in to talk to the Infants about CAFOD
20th June	World Refugee Day
21st June	Y4/5 trip to the Harris Museum - Ancient Greece Workshop
21/22nd June	Foundation Class Road Safety training
22nd June	Y5/6 and Y6 Trench Brothers showcase
23rd June	Non-uniform day for Summer Fair - bottles p.m. Year 5 Rounders Tournament at Ctk
26th June	School Closed for INSET Day
27th June	Swap morning - children go to their new classes
	4 Year 6 children to Our Lady's for Maths Challenge
28th June	<b>Infant Sports Day - 9:30am</b>
	Year 5 Experience Morning at Christ the King
29th June	Y6 to UCLAN Science Festival
30th June	Year 5s trip to London - Palace of Westminster
	<b>Celebration Assembly - 9:15am</b>
	RE Focus Week in school
3-7th July	Swap Morning - children to their new classes
4th June	<b>Junior Sports Day - 9:30am</b>
5th July	<b>Reserve Junior Sports Day - 9:30am</b>
6th July	<b>Reserve Infant Sports Day - 9:30am</b>
7th July	Non-uniform day for Summer Fair - chocolate Clubs finish today
	Swap Morning - children to their new classes
11th July	<b>Parents' Evening - 2-6pm</b>
	Year 6 Leavers' Trip
12th June	<b>Summer Fair - starting at 2pm</b>
13th July	Year 6 Athletics Tournament at Christ the King
	Year 6s get to choose the dinner menu for the day!!!!
14th July	Y4/5 trip to Blackpool Zoo
17th June	Y2 trip to Martin Mere
	Team Challenge Day - sports events
18th June	<b>Leavers' Mass in school - 9:30am</b>
19th July	Worship Leaders' trip
	<b>Prize Giving Assembly at 9:15 am</b>
20th July	Leavers' Celebration at 11:00 am
	Finish for Summer at 1:30pm