

NEWSLETTER

Friday 17th November 2023 Issue 10

Dear Parents,

During the week, the children have enjoyed continued swimming lessons with Pools for Schools. All children have thoroughly enjoyed their swimming sessions. The pool will leave our school site at the end of the week. We look forward to welcoming Pools for Schools back to St. Augustine's in the future.

Our Talk for Writing programme has begun in school and children have responded very well in their English lessons. I have been delighted to see the children focused and engaged and hear from many pupils in Year 6 about how much they are enjoying elements such as drama, comprehension checking and learning new vocabulary. We hope to share some excellent writing with you shortly.

For all children, attendance remains a key focus in school as we know children who attend regularly make good progress in their learning. Thank you for supporting school in bringing your child to school every day that they are well.

For parents of Nursery children, please remember we have a story telling session happening next week. Please do come along if you can.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Miss McDonald

Gospel Virtues

Our virtues this half term remind us to be Attentive and Discerning

We are attentive when we listen to God's call and serve one another in all that we do. Our school motto reminds us of this every day. 'Hand in hand, we listen to God's call, we learn from God's Word and we share God's love through service.'

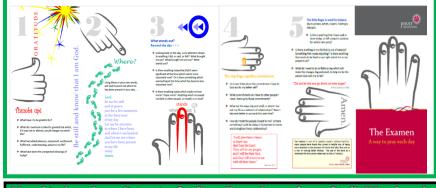
We are discerning when we decide to do the right thing in the interests and needs of others because we know it will have a positive impact on their lives.

Activities to try at home:

Take time during Advent to be attentive to the real reason for this season in preparation for the Lord's coming.

Set yourself a challenge everyday during this season of Advent eg (https://cafod.org.uk/pray/advent-calendar CAFOD Interactive Advent calendar)

Take time at the end of each day to discern the actions and decisions you have made and how you can develop in your vocational response to God's calling — you can use the prayer leaflet below:



Reminders/Messages

Thursday 16th Attendance letter for Autumn 1 sent home with children.

Friday 17th November - School Closed (inset day)

Friday 1st December: Advent Morning (more details to follow)

Thursday 7th December: Athlete Visit - Year I-6 to wear PE kits to school (more information to follow)

Tuesday 12th 9.15am EYFS & YI: Christmas play

Wednesday 13th December: School Christmas Dinner / Christmas Jumper day

Thursday 14th

December at 6pm - St. Augustine's Church - KS2 Carol Service

Friday 22nd December, 1.30pm: Y2 to lead Christmas Mass

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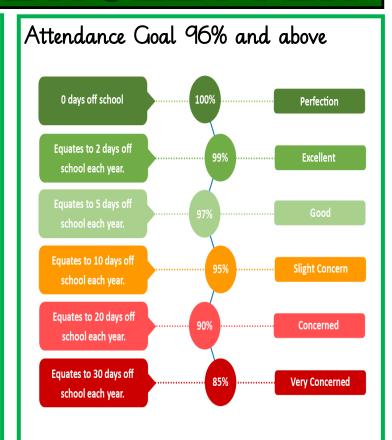




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Class Attendance

Nursery All Day	100%	
Nursery AM	83%	
Reception	95%	
УIМ	98%	
YIRW	90%	
Y2K	95%	
УЗВ	92%	
УЗРН	99%	
У4L	96%	
У4М	92%	
У5А	88%	
Y5S	92%	
Y6C	94%	
Y6D	92%	



Class Attendance Winners



Nursery

100%





Aims

At Holy Cross Catholic Multi Academy Company (MAC), we view regular attendance as an essential part of a child's academic and social success. Learning and friendship opportunities are enhanced by sustained periods of unbroken attendance, and we rely on our partnership with parents/carers to ensure that this is achieved. Good attendance means that children usually make good, consistent progress in their schoolwork. If a child is registered at school, parents and carers have a duty under the Education Act 1996 to ensure that their child attends regularly and is punctual.

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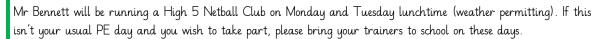




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PE, After School Clubs & Sports News

High 5 Netball Lunchtime Club – Year 5 & 6



Fixtures

Unfortunately, we are yet to play a high 5 match this academic year, this has been due to transport, staffing and the weather. We will update you further once fixtures are able to go ahead.

You will be contacted via Arbor if your child is selected to represent the school and consent will be required.

Swimming

Thank you once again the Elite Sports Uk, for providing us with the swimming pool for the past two weeks. The children have thoroughly enjoyed their lessons and its been a pleasure to see their smiling faces throughout the school. Thank you to the

parents for providing their children with the correct kit on the correct days in order for them to take part.

Here's a sneak peak of Year 2 having a wonderful time!

We have held Gala Trials this week for the Swimming competition in February and you will be notified after the Christmas holiday if your child has been selected the compete in this event.

After Christmas the children in Year + will continue swimming lesson and will attend the AT7 centre once a week for these lessons — this is part of the National Curriculum and they are taught by qualified swimming teachers and lifeguards are available. Further information to follow.



PE Kit - Reminder

Children are not permitted to wear branded tracksuits and Gym sets please only send your child in the kit listed below.

Boys' and Girls' P.E/Games.

 Item
 Colour

 Polo top
 White

 Shorts
 Plain Black

 Plimsolls/trainers
 Black

 Trainers
 Outdoor sports

 Jogging suit (optional)
 Plain Black (for winter lessons)

Jewellery

On health and safety grounds, we prefer children do not wear jewellery in our school. The only earrings to be worn are **small studs**, which the child will have to remove during PE lessons or cover with tape. Watches are also permissible. The school cannot be held responsible for any lost items.

Active Families

Each week we will provide you with a resource which will give you some ideas on ways to keep active at home!



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SEND Support

Special Educational Needs

Coventry's Complex Communication Team offer a series of six workshop sessions aimed at parents and carers of children and young people on the Autism spectrum and with complex communication needs.

The sessions are delivered virtually through Microsoft Teams and are led by a specialist teacher. All sessions are from 4.30pm - 5.45 pm. There will be a series of sessions focusing on a range of topics which include:

- Week I Understanding your child and their Autism
- Week 2 Supporting your child with self-care and independence
- Week 3- Supporting your child and their sensory processing differences.
- Week 4- Supporting your child and their behaviours
- Week 5- Supporting your child with their learning
- Week 6- Supporting your child with transitions

The aims of each session will be:

- To raise awareness of how Autism/CCN affect your child
- -To develop a shared understanding of some of the challenges that our children face and the strengths they can bring
- -To increase your confidence in understanding and supporting your child
- -To build up a bank of ideas and strategies that can be used to support your child

There will be weekly advice clinics to accompany each session where you have an allocated slot to ask specific questions relating to your child.

Please email <u>BSCl imbrickWoodCentre@coventry.gov.uk</u> if you would like to attend these sessions. Mrs Wightman (SENDCO)

Writing for Pleasure

Dear Children,

We are inviting you to share your writing with us. Mr. McCarthy has installed a new display board in our school library and we want to fill it with your fantastic writing.

Perhaps you might, write a story, create a travel guide, write a poem or create a report on your favorite subject. The choice are endless, we cant wait to see how creative you can be, Bring in your work and post it into our writing for pleasure box in the library.

Happy writing!

From Mrs Carlin

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Parking / Road Safety



Polite notice we experiencing problems with parking on Heath-cote Street and Sadler Road, please can we remind all parents/carers not to double park in the sports centre carpark, do not park on double yellow line or across residents driveways. The residents in St Augustine's Walk have reported the issue to the parking wardens and they are issuing parking fines.

The school is not responsible for the fines issued.

Please take care when leaving school, Please keep children to paths and walk ways do not walk across the staff car park.



Medical

Thank you to all parents who have updated healthcare plans with me. All children with asthma or an allergy must now have a healthcare plan.

If you haven't yet done so please can you return the signed slip to say that the information on the updated plan is correct.

There are only six outstanding healthcare plans to complete. If you have received a telephone message asking you to call school to discuss a healthcare plan I would be very grateful if you could contact me so that these final plans can be completed.

Mrs Wightman (SENDCO)

Online Safety

Do you want to know more about keeping your child safe online? Visit https://www.childnet.com/young-people/4-II-year-olds/

O Childnet

Help, advice and resources for parents and carers

Offer your children support and guidance with our range of online safety guides

Safeguarding

We do not tolerate any behavior of abusive, threatening or aggressive nature against Staff or Members of the school community

School Update

The School Gates open at 8:30am Please ensure your child arrives promptly, If your Child is late arriving after 8.40am when the gate is closed an adult must bring them to the school office and sign them in with the reason if lateness.

Can we remind parents that if you are going to be late collecting your child from school at 3:10pm, that you make alternative arrangements for children to be collected on time. We have had a number of parent arriving up to 30 minuets late this is not acceptable.

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Packed Lunches

We would like to remind you that we have a strict NO_NUTS_ policy at our school. We kindly ask that the following items are not put in children's lunch boxes

- No nuts or products containing nuts
- No Chicken or Meat on the bone
- No chocolate spread
- No sweets
- No fizzy pop



Please ensure that fruit such as grapes and berries are cut in half to prevent choking

Suggested lunch box items

- Sandwiches/wraps
- Meat/cheese
- Yoqurt
- Fruit/Vegetables
- Crisps
- Small Tuck bar
- Drink Water/Juice/Squash



Arbor

You can log into Arbor to view any clubs or trips your child may be eligible for. You can also make dinner choices and payments



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St. Augustine's Catholic Primary School Term and Holiday dates 2023/ 2024



		CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
Term	Pupil Dates	Teacher Days
lutumn 1 2023	Return to school on Tuesday 5 th September to Last day of term Friday 27 th October Pupils break up at 3.05pm on Friday 27 th October	Monday 4 th September Friday 29 th September
IALF TERM	Saturday 28th October to Sunday 5th November 20	23
lutumn 2 2023	Children return to school on Monday 6 th November to Last day of term Friday 22 nd December Pupils break up at 3:05pm on Friday 22 nd December	Friday 17 th November
HRISTMAS OLIDAY	Saturday 23 rd December to Sunday 7 th January 202	4
ipring 1 2024	Children return to school on Monday 8th January to Last day of term Friday 9 th February Pupils break up at 3:05pm on Friday 9 th February	
IALF TERM	Saturday 10th February to Sunday 18th February 20	24
ipring 2 2024	Children return to school on Monday 19 th February to Last day of term Friday 22 nd March Pupils break up at 3:05pm on Friday 22 nd March	
ASTER BREAK	Saturday 23 rd March to Sunday 7 th April 2024	
Summer 1 2024	Children return to school on Monday 8 th April to Last day of term Friday 24 th May Pupils break up at 3:05pm on Friday 24 th May	
IALF TERM	Saturday 25th May to Sunday 2nd June 2024	
Summer 2 2024	Children return to school on Tuesday 4 th June to Last day of term Friday 19 th July Pupils break up at 3:05pm on Thursday 19 th July	Monday 3 rd June

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