



St. Augustine's
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NEWSLETTER

Friday 20th October 2023 Issue 7

Dear Parents,

It has been a wonderful week for Year 6, who have been visiting Dol-y-Moch and demonstrating great courage, a sense of adventure and team work. All the staff were very impressed with the amazing achievements of the children all week. Year 6 enjoyed kayaking, gorge walking and orienteering among many more activities. During the week, the children had plenty of time to develop independence and also complete some chores!

Other Year 6 pupils attended Ackers and demonstrated their adventurous skills too. The pupils were all excellent role models. We are very proud of all of our Year 6 pupils. Thank you to all the staff who helped make all of these experiences possible.

Our Kindness Week winners were announced in assembly and have received their certificates. Thank you to Mrs Monaghan for organising such a wonderful week. Many of the children have continued in using kindness to keep growing happiness in our school community. This week's winners are listed below. Some more winners will be announced next week.

Please do keep bringing plastic milk bottles and plastic bottle tops into school for our Team Recycle Project. You may also receive a request for some other items as we prepare for Rise Theatre to visit school next and help us learn more about looking after God's Plant. Thank you parents for your continued generosity and support.

Miss McDonald

Gospel Virtues

Our virtues this half term are Grateful and Generous.

We are learning to be grateful for our own gifts and the gifts of others. We are also grateful for the blessings of each and every day.

With our gifts, we are learning to be generous in sharing them with others and for the good of our community. We share God's love through service and use our gifts to do so.

"When life is sweet, say thank you, and celebrate. When life is bitter, say thank you, and grow."
anon

"Help one another with the generosity of the Lord and despise no one. When you have the opportunity to do good, do not let it go by."
St Polycarp

Activities to try at home:

Pray for the sick of the parish (from the bulletin)

Find a prayer to bless your home together as a family

Tell others when they have been generous with their gifts and talents

Take time to thank God at the end of the day for the gifts your family has received

Do share any photos and updates from your activities with us, we would love to share them on the newsletter or include them on Facebook.



Reminders/Messages



There will be no after school sports clubs Monday 23rd October, Tuesday 24th October, Wednesday 25th October and Thursday 26th October. Soccer Rockz football will continue on Friday 27th October for Year 1 and 2 children.

No Coding Club Wednesday 25th October

Choir is on as normal

Friday 27th October- Choir Fundraiser Non Uniform Day

Monday 6th November - Thursday 16th November: Pools to Schools (more information to follow)

Friday 17th November - School Closed (inset day)

Thursday 7th December: Athlete Visit - Year 1-6 to wear PE kits to school (more information to follow)

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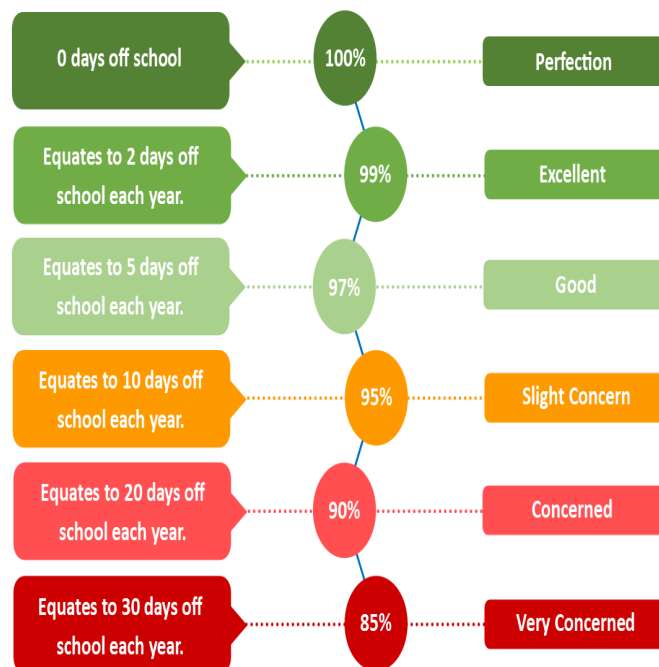
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Class Attendance

Nursery All Day	100%
Nursery AM	80%
Reception	87%
Y1M	99%
Y1RW	100%
Y2K	99%
Y3B	92%
Y3PH	98%
Y4L	93%
Y4M	98%
Y5A	99%
Y5S	97%
Y6C	90%
Y6D	91%

Attendance Goal 96% and above



Attendance Winners



Year 1R & 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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Birthdays



Nursery	
Reception	
Year 1	Olamide, Dannibel & Steve
Year 2	Matlida
Year 3	
Year 4	
Year 5	Lena
Year 6	Jaidon & Ross



House Points



St. David	St. Patrick	St. George	St. Andrew
1380	1600	1680	1750

Attendance Winners

100% Winners are :

Gracie M, Oliver N, Brian,
Chidinma & Ellis

Brilliant Awards

Nursery	
REC	
Y1M	
Y1RW	Izzy
Y2K	
Y3B	Mariam
Y3PH	Filip
Y4L	
Y4M	Arjun
Y5A	Leanah
Y5S	Summer
Y6C	All of Year 6C
Y6D	All of Year 6D

Virtues Grateful and Generous

Nursery	
REC	
Y1M	Nikita
Y1RW	
Y2K	
Y3B	
Y3PH	
Y4L	
Y4M	Kiera
Y5A	
Y5S	Abdulhaman
Y6C	Chloe
Y6D	Gerard & Izabela

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Kindness Week

Last week we celebrated kindness at school. Our children were challenged to spot kindness throughout the week. They then posted kindness tokens on which they had written the names of those showing kindness. It was wonderful to see the children being extra kind, friendly and helpful and so lovely to hear of all those special acts of kindness.

Well done to everyone and let's keep the kindness going!

Miss Monaghan

Kindest Child Award



Nursery	Esme Ward
REC	Calixta Lokko
Y1M	Samuel Margedze
Y1RW	tbc
Y2K	tbc
Y3B	tbc
Y3PH	Chris Bernie
Y4L	Ola Zak
Y4M	Semilore Olaroye-Dennis
Y5A	Victoria Lasota
Y5S	Jose Sarauz Chaves
Y6C	tbc
Y6D	Carmelita Lokko



Special Acts of Kindness



EYSF—Makepemose Chunu : When she saw another child crying she cam over with a tissue to 'dry away the tears' and told her that everything would be okay.

KSI—Tawanda jr Chikosi

KS2—Luke Bell : Lots of teachers noticed how kind you have been to a new student, showing them where to sit, helping them to find resources and generally being a good friend.

Adults—Mrs Ward :For always making time for everyone and caring so much for each and everyone of us.



Kindest Class At Lunch -

Congratulations
Year 6D





PE, After School Clubs & Sports News

Clubs

Please note: Football kits and branded clothing are not part of our school PE uniform policy, however these can be brought to school to change into, if attending an after school club.

Kits

Children will need to come to school in their PE kit on the days they attend After School Club. For **football** sessions, they **must** bring long socks and **shin pads** – *due to Health and Safety, children will not be able to join in without shin pads*. If children wish to change into a football kit, this will be done independently at the beginning of the club, but **football kits are not to be worn during the school day**. Clubs finish at 4:10pm and collection is from the office at the main entrance. If parents are consistently late to collect their children, they may have to be removed from the club, as staff have their own commitments after school.

Girls Football

Mr. Bennett has organised a girls friendly

Monday 23rd St Augustine's Vs Holy Family 3.10pm Kick off. Please see ARBOR for consent.



Clubs

There will be no after school clubs Monday 23rd October, Tuesday 24th October, Wednesday 25th October and Thursday 26th October. Soccer Rockz football will continue on Friday 27th October for Year 1 and 2 children.

After School Club Contract

By signing your child up to an after-school club, you are agreeing that:

My child will:

Be respectful – to all adults and children within the club

Be kind – with words and actions to all adults and children within the club

Be honest – to all adults and children within the club

Be safe – by listening and following the instructions given to you by the coach or other adults

Be all they can be – to ensure the children get the most fun and enjoyment during the sessions!

We have a waiting list for every club we are running. Unfortunately, if these rules are not followed, appropriate action will be taken and your child may be removed from their club.

PE Kit – Reminder

Boys' and Girls' P.E/Games.

Item	Colour
Polo top	White
Shorts	Plain Black
Pilmsolls/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.

PE Kit

Can we please remind parents that **football kits are not part of our uniform policy for PE**. If your child is attending an after school club, they can change into a football kit, if they wish, at the beginning of the session.

High top trainers are unsafe for children to wear during PE sessions.





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Parking / Road Safety



Polite notice we experiencing problems with parking on Heathcote 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 drive-ways. 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 (SEND/CO)



Online Safety

Bullying, wellbeing and mental health

AGES 5 TO 7

At this age, the approach should be teaching children about how we should treat other people in the real world as well as online. Children must understand how their actions can affect another person positively or negatively and how their interactions and submission of information online may impact negatively upon themselves.

It is useful for children to think about the trustworthy people that they go to if they are upset about the way they are treated online.

Your child's well-being is the reason that you are interested in their online safety. Use this notion to reinforce the reasons for the choices you make for your child. When you restrict screen time, talk about how this is for their physical health (so they do other activities) and mental health (because staring at a screen can affect sleep and well-being).

Maintaining open communications and using devices in shared areas help your child to be happy and healthy while still being able to enjoy the online world.



Did You Know?

48

is the average number of likes children see they need to get on a photo before they feel happy. (UK Safer Internet Centre, 2018)

Top tips:

- Teach and establish behaviours for how we should treat others and be treated ourselves online.
- Ensure your child has several trustworthy people they know they can go to for support (not just you).
- Teach your child how to have evidence of inappropriate behaviours from others such as saving messages.
- Stress the importance of protecting personal privacy, particularly as your child gets older and is statistically more likely to come into contact with strangers online.



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 minutes late this is not acceptable.

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AUTUMN MENU CYCLE WEEK TWO

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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN COURSE	Pork sausage roll	Cheese and Tomato Pizza	Roast Chicken Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy	Beef Lasagne	Fish Fingers
VEGETARIAN COURSE	Cheese Roll	Macaroni Cheese	Quorn fillet Yorkshire pudding and Gravy	Vegetable Lasagne	Vegetable Finger
VEGETABLE	Sweetcorn and peppers	Sweetcorn or Baked Beans	Peas and Carrots	Green Beans	Peas or Baked Beans
SIDES	Baked Wedges	Diced potatoes	Roast Potatoes	Garlic bread	Chips

Salad
served Daily

Food Allergies and Intolerance
If you require information on allergens or suffer from a food intolerance, please speak to a Team Member before you order your food and drinks.

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
- Yogurt
- 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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Term and Holiday dates 2023/ 2024



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

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