

St. Augustine's CE Primary School

Newsletter 10 - 17th March 2023



Message from the Head of Primary

I would like to thank everyone who helped to make World Book Day such a success this year, including staff, parents and Year 9 High School students who visited classes to read stories to the children and parents/carers who helped create fabulous book character costumes. Our special thanks goes to Mrs Toussaint who organised such a wide range of activities throughout the day. It has been wonderful to see the photos and hear about the children's enthusiasm and enjoyment of this wonderful day.



I would also like to remind you that parent meetings will be taking place next week. Please make sure that you have signed up for a meeting with your child's teacher. As Ms Swann is currently unwell, Year 2 parents meetings are being rescheduled for after the Easter holiday when we expect her to be back in school. Year 2 parents will be contacted about the rescheduled meetings after the Easter holiday.

Next week, we will be celebrating Science Week with a range of activities and assemblies. The theme for this year is 'Connections.' Please talk to your child about what they are doing to mark Science Week.

Please remember that the last day of the Spring term is Friday 31st March and that we will be finishing at 1:45pm.

Ruth Vince, Head of Primary

Celebrations Assembly

Shining Stars 3rd March

Reception - Morocco

Year 1 - Dior

Year 2 - Maria

Year 3 - Maria

Year 4 - Aseel

Year 5 - Shaam

Year 6 - Salma



Wonderful Work 9th March

Reception - Hakim

Year 1 - Aahil

Year 2 - Aya B

Year 3 - Sajed

Year 4 - Mustafa

Year 5 - Aseel

Year 6 - Maher



Attendance and Punctuality

Sadly, attendance has once again fallen below the national expectation over the last two weeks at 94.3% and 94.5 respectively. I continue to hope that we can work together to improve attendance and ensure that children are in school and learning.

Congratulations to **Year 6** who have won the attendance cup over the past two weeks.

Attendance Matters

Every Day Counts



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Our Value for this half is Wisdom



This term, in our Values Collective Worship, we have been focusing on Wisdom. We have been exploring different Bible stories, for example, The Book of Proverbs and the story of The Three Wise Men. Wisdom is an understanding of the consequences of our thoughts, words, and actions, and an awareness of the true value of things. We know we need to use our knowledge to make wise decisions and we can always ask for help when making good choices. **Ms Ludolf**

Proverbs 19.20: 'Listen to advice and accept discipline and the end you will be counted among the wise.'

World Book Day - Friday 3rd March

World Book Day was amazing!!! All children had the opportunity to dress as their favourite book characters. Year 6 went over to the High School and were read to by the Year 9's. Reception -Year 4 were also read to by groups of Year 9 children. This proved to be beneficial to all. Parents came to the classes and read a book of their choice to the children. The children were engaged and excited to have their parents in class. Micky from the site team read a beautiful story to Year 3. The parade was fabulous, as all children and staff showed off their cat walking skills. Thank you so much for the hard work of the parents/carers and staff. **Mrs Toussaint**



Our World Book Day celebrations were a huge success and the children also had a wonderful time participating in various activities that encouraged creativity, imagination, and critical thinking. From writing book reviews and designing book covers to predicting what comes next in a story and creating favourite character masks, the children fully embraced the spirit of the day. Thank you for your continued support in encouraging our pupils to become lifelong readers. We would like to express our sincere gratitude to Mrs Toussaint for organising such an exceptional event and providing an opportunity for our pupils to discover the joy of reading and learning. **Ms Adams**

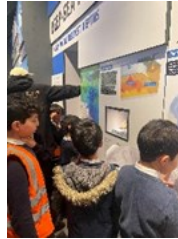
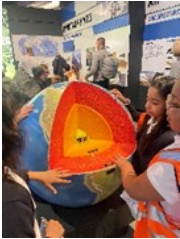


Dates for Your Diary

Red Nose Day	Fri 17th March	Easter Holiday	Mon 3rd - Fri 14th April
Year 2 Floating Classroom Trip	Fri 17th March	Start of Summer term	Mon 17th April
Science Week	Mon 20th - Fri 24th March	Bank Holiday (school closed)	Mon 1st May
Parent Evenings	Mon 20th and Tues 21st March	Coronation Bank Holiday (school closed)	Mon 8th May
Year 1 Museum of Brands trip	Tues 21st March	Year 6 SATs tests	Tues 9th - Fri 12th May
Easter Bonanza 3:30-5:00pm	Wed 29th March	Year 2 SATs week	Mon 15th - Fri 19th May
Reception Forest School	Thurs 30th March pm		

Year Visit to the Natural History Museum

The year 4 visit to the Natural History Museum proved to be an outstanding triumph, particularly in comprehending the complexities of volcanoes and earthquakes. The trip presented an exceptional opportunity for pupils to explore the museum's exhibitions and interactive displays, which centred on these natural phenomena. During the trip, the pupils were afforded the chance to observe first-hand how volcanoes are formed, the causative factors of earthquakes and their environmental effects. It proved to be an exceptional means for the pupils to augment their knowledge of these concepts and their relevance to the practical world. I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to the parents for their invaluable support, and I hope that you will continue to foster your child's curiosity about the natural world. **Ms Adams**



Year 4 Forest School Orienteering



Despite the chilly weather, Year 4 pupils have successfully completed a Forest School Orienteering activity that has helped them develop valuable skills in map reading, compass work, mental alertness, and decisiveness. The children created maps using keys, participated in relay races and used a compass to navigate, searching for hidden markers and clues. Through this experience, the pupils demonstrated excellent teamwork and problem-solving skills and it was inspiring to see them embrace the great outdoors and all the learning opportunities it has to offer. The activity has helped the pupils to develop important life skills such as map reading, compass work, mental alertness and decisiveness, which will undoubtedly come in handy in various situations. Well done, Year 4 pupils!

Ms Adams



Headteacher's Award



Well done to the children have been awarded a Headteacher's certificate for demonstrating our school values:

Well done to these children who have achieved the Bronze Headteacher's certificate for achieving 100 Dojos:

Year 4: Mustafa N **Year 6:** Ledion, George and Salma

Congratulations to these children who have achieved the Silver Headteacher's certificate for achieving 200 Dojos:

Year 6: Jonas, Isaiah and Reyan

Well done to these children who have achieved the Gold Headteacher's certificate for achieving 300 Dojos:

Year 1: Ali Y, Anita, Majd, Mahbooba, Hussein, Fatima, Ramh, Shouqm and Zeen **Year 4:** Bruno, Joshua and Fatima S

This child has been awarded the Platinum Headteacher's certificate for achieving an amazing 400 Dojos: **Year 4:** Ali K



Activity Club

Activity club have been busy making Mother's Day cards this week. We wish all of our amazing mums a very happy Mother's Day.



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