



Chronicles of

St Augustine's

Part of All Saints Catholic Collegiate

'...we strive to follow Christ's teaching, to love one another as I have loved you'.

Dear Parents,

A belated 'Happy New Year' to you all. Two weeks have passed in school and already the new term is gathering pace. You should all have received letters informing you of your child's learning for the coming term and the topics they will be covering. We hope you find this useful. Swimming has begun for children in Y3 and Y4 and will continue for the term. Y2 delivered a super assembly on Wednesday of this week telling the story of the Great Fire of London, from its starting point in 1666 to the lessons we have learnt since. A great way for their learning to be shared. We will arrange further assemblies this term and invite you to share their learning experiences.



The 'Tick Tock Challenge'

Starts: Monday 19 January Ends: Friday 13 February

Attendance has for sometime been a high priority for our school. We have made progress in some areas but still our figure causes concern when compared with other schools locally and nationally. We need to keep a high profile and improve our overall figure. For the next 4 weeks we will focus intensely on improving our attendance with the aim of showing clear improvement by Friday 13th February.

From Monday 19th we will begin the 'Tick-Tock' challenge. This means that for four weeks we will focus on and identify pupils/classes who attend and are on time.

Each week:

Every class will draw a pupil to win a prize, who has attended and has been on time all week.

Every class will acknowledge pupils who have made improvements to their attendance.

Each class will compare their overall attendance since Sept and seek to improve that figure each week.

The best class attendance each week will be acknowledged.

At the end of the Challenge:

The class with the best attendance for the 4 week period will be crowned the 'Tick Tock' Challenge Champions

The class with the best improvement will be acknowledged.

Pupils with 100% attendance for the 4 weeks will be acknowledged

Pupils with an improved attendance figure (not just the 100% pupils) over their overall current figure will also be acknowledged.

**HOW WILL YOU DO? WILL YOU BE ABLE TO KEEP
100% OR IMPROVE YOUR ATTENDANCE?
I BET YOU CAN!**

For the 4 weeks, all pupils' attendance will be measured from the start date.



BID SUCCESS- The Foundation Stage

As we were informed before Christmas of our bid success, the first planning meeting took place this week regarding the proposed project. Because of the value and investment we have put into reading, wanting to ignite the imagination of our younger pupils proved successful in submitting the bid. 'A Phonics Tree' will 'grow' in the coming months as an outdoor learning space for the children which will also link with the current outdoor shelter in the EYFS area to provide a super learning area for the children in Nursery and Reception. We are very excited, especially Mrs Fowlie and Mrs Weston. Watch this space!

CARE REQUIRED

Please do not leave your child unattended on the top yard before 8:45 as they are unsupervised. Thank you.

PTFA

I would like to say thank you to all who returned the PTFA questionnaire sent out before Christmas. It suggested good support for the events arranged and for the further events to be planned. A visit to a Pantomime at Christmas is a high priority as suggested by one parent.

Our PTFA met this week to plan further fundraisers for the coming terms. The Valentine Disco is booked for Tues 10 Feb, a 'Funny' coffee morning in aid of Comic Relief will take place on Fri 6th March and events surrounding Mothering Sunday are also being planned. It will be a great 'fun' term!

Termly Attendance figures		
Wk begin	5 Jan	12 Jan
F1	98.4	98.4
F2	98.0	95.7
Y1	96.7	97.0
Y2	97.2	94.5
Y3	96.0	95.0
Y4	95.8	97.7
Y5	92.0	97.3
Y6	96.2	97.9
Total	96.2	96.6

Attendance Premier Lge 16 Jan 2015—week 16		
Position	Class	Total Points
1	Y4	39
2	F1	38
3	Y2	36
4	Y5	33
5	F2	31
6	Y6	27
7	Y3	23
8	Y1	19

The League

Y4 are holding on to the lead with a gap of just 2 points. Well done to all of Year 4 who consistently pick up weekly points! Y2 improved over the last 2 weeks jumping 2 places into second place with a strong 2 weeks.



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DIARY DATES

2015

JANUARY

Thurs 22 Parish Mass 9:25
Sat 24 Family Mass 6pm

FEBRUARY

Mon 2-6 Y6 visit Stanley Head
Fri 13th School closes for half term
Mon 23 Parent Pupil Consultations 5-7
Tues Parent Pupil Consultations 3:30 –5:30

MARCH

Fri 6 Coffee Morning
12/13th Mothering Sunday gifts for sale
19 St Joseph's Day, Day of Prayer for Vocations
Fri 27th Easter Egg Competition
Mon 30 Holy Week

APRIL

Thurs 2 School closes for Easter
Mon 20 School opens

MAY

Sat 9 Sacrament of Holy Communion
11 SATS WEEK
Thurs 21 Good Shepherd Mass St Joseph's Burslem
Fri 22 School closes for half term

JUNE

Mon 1 School opens
Tues 9 SPORTS DAY 1
Sat 13 Archbishop's Mass St Augustine's Parish 6pm
Wed 24 Sacrament of CONFIRMATION

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