

# Chronicles of

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

# St Augustine's Part of All Saints Catholic Collegiate

Dear Parents/Carers,

These last few weeks seem to have been extremely busy with some great things to report. The outdoor learning classroom in the EYFS is now complete, known with a working title of 'the Phonics tree', phonic learning has begun within. The recent Comic Relief coffee morning ensured we raised a whopping £ 500 plus to send off. Last Friday saw a first ever SEN coffee morning again supported by parents and staff and our pupils have been incredibly busy representing the school at 6 a side football, cross country and a Dance Festival. A local headteacher commented just how fabulous our pupils in the 'Jungle Book' were! The Mother's Day gifts stall was also a great success! This week we are represented at a recorder festival at the Victoria Hall, we have our phonics evening and on Thursday we hold our Day of Prayer for Vocations where the Blessed Sacrament will be brought over to school in procession after mass, and watched throughout the day. This is a first for the school and one we are incredibly excited about. Parishioners are very welcome to join us throughout the day for this wonderful occasion. Wishing you a wonderful week, Mr Byrne

## **Key Dates for Confirmation Confirmation group**

4 June 6pm, Parents and children

9 June 3:30 Children

16 June 3:30 Children

23 June 2:30 Confessions in church, children, 3:30 Parents and Sponsors to join us in church (rehearsal)

**24 June 1:15** Bishop David McGough visit with children

### Phonics Evening..Come along!

**Thursday 19 March 2015 at 6pm**. Brush up on your own phonic skills with workshops being delivered for parents so you



can see the progression of skills throughout the Early years and Key Stage 1. ALL WELCOME... tea and biscuits too!

Pray

Lent 2015

Fast Share

### Comic Relief 'Funny Hat' winners...Congratulations to:

F1 Alfie Twigg F2 Teigan Reece Y1 Jack

Y1 Jack Palmer Y2 Zuzanna

Moszczynska

Y3 Ruby Weston

JY4 Joshua Williams Y5 Míles Amos

Y6 Mollie Porter

A splendid effort to all who contributed... we raised...£277.38, which was doubled by Government incentive and became an AMAZING £554.76! Thank you!



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# Day Of Prayer for Vocations in school. Thurs 19th March (Feast of St Joseph)

We will be hosting the Blessed Sacrament for the day after mass, to watch and pray. This is an incredibly important day in our School's history as we don't think it's ever been done before. The children will line the route from the Church to the School as the procession takes place. Children will have opportunity throughout the day to spend some time with the Blessed Sacrament and to pray. We believe it will be a truly wonderful experience for the children, and the School/Parish community. We held an assembly today about the expectations for the day, so children know 'something special is happening'. We can't wait.

#### EYFS Outdoor Area

The area is now complete. With a 'Phonics' themed approach the room will be a 'hub' for all things phonics, promoting the importance and essential early skills of reading. It is already being used for small and larger group sessions. You will also notice that the previous structure also had a makeover with a floor installed and the 'open' aspect enclosed to reduce the elements of wind and rain being blown in. In effect it means it can be used in any weather without the fear of being blown away! We intend to have an official opening soon with a date to be confirmed.

Attendance		
Class	Weekly % 2-6 March	Weekly % 9-13 Mar
F1	95.1	94.3
F2	97.0	98.7
Y1	93.0	98.0
Y2	100	92.7
Y3	97.3	97.0
Y4	97.8	94.1
Y5	96.7	97.0
Y6	99.3	94.8
School Total	97.0	95.8

#### **Attendance:**

Well done to Y2 for a 100% effort last week! F2 turned in an excellent 98.7 too. These last few weeks have seen a real improvement to our figures. Lets keep it going!!!

Thank you...
to all Parents who have
supported us so well in recent weeks with the coffee mornings and in buying
the Mother's Day gifts. All
were sold I believe and
the PTFA raised £260.12!
Fantastic!

### DIARY DATES

#### **MARCH**

16 Lenten Liturgies begin 19 St Joseph's Day, Day of Prayer for Vocations 24 First Confessions 27 Easter Egg Competition Mon 30 Holy Week

#### APRIL

Thurs 2 School closes for Easter Mon 20 School opens Thurs 23 Y3 Confessions (in church 2pm) 3:30 Parents meet FHC children in Church for practice

#### MAY

Sat 9 Sacrament of Holy Communion
11 SATS WEEK
Mon 18 Academy
Committee meeting
Fri 22 School closes for half term

#### **JUNE**

Mon 1 School opens Tues 2 Good Shepherd Mass St Joseph's Burslem

Tues 9 SPORTS DAY KS2
Wed 10 SPORTS DAY FS/KS1
Sat 13 Archbishop Mass St Augustine's
Parish 6pm
Wed 24 Sacrament of
CONFIRMATION
Tues 30 Sports Day (reserve)

#### **JULY**

Sat 4 Summer Fayre
Wed 8 FS2/KS1
Thurs 9 KS2 Awards
Wed 15 9:30 Nursery Graduation
7pm Y6 Leavers Awards Night
Fri 17 School Closes

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