

# St Augustine's Catholic Primary School

Week ending Friday 14 March

## Attendance Matters!

This week's attendance (last week's in brackets)	Number of days missed	Number of lates
Rec: 92.67% (93.33%)	11	1
Y1: 97.33% (98.89%)	4	0
Y2: 95.00% (94.81%)	7	4
Y3: 95.17% (93.10%)	6	2
Y4: 96.00% (98.15%)	6	0
Y5: 96.54% (97.44%)	4½	1
Y6: 98.35% (97.94%)	2	1



### ATTENDANCE – 95.79%

Our weekly attendance has dropped again this week. It is vitally important that all children are in school every day unless they are very poorly.

### PUNCTUALITY – 9 lates

A good improvement in punctuality - keep it up!

### ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS - Year 6

Well done again, Year 6. Y1 did very well in Key Stage 1. Keep up the good work, everyone!

## ☆ Stars of the Week ☆

Rec: Wiktoria Domagala	Jack Lyons
Y1: Chevontay Smith	Vanessa Milowicka
Y2: Kamilla Lawrence	Patryk Szkiler
Y3: Victoria Sakallah	Dominik Dobosz
Y4: Vivian Nguyen	Tobias Singh
Y5: Deanna Raybe	Yvân Tran
Y6: Harjot Brom	Mylinh Tran

## Work of the Week

- b Write a letter to the vampire. Give him some good advice about how to be more scary.

Dear Aunt Horrible,

I am sad and confused. I was asked to terrify a group of witches and ghouls but it all went wrong. They said I was the worst vampire ever. I came as a bat, which I thought was pretty frightening but they just thought I was pathetic and really a rather rubbish vampire. Help me, please...



Dear Vampire, *Wonderful letter - Well done!*

To be really scary you need to look like a vampire. Don't be too sweet. Be so terrifying that the guess will scream! Make spooky noises, don't move slowly move *(like a bat)* as quick as a flash. Have a black cape say mu ha ha ha ha! have sharp fangs. Get long *pointy* ears. Have *enormous* smelly dirty feet.

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## Fact of the Week

Reception	Estimate how many sweets are in a 10p Haribo packet
Year 1	There are 60 seconds in a minute.
Year 2	$\frac{1}{2}$ of £1 is 50p. 100p = £1.
Year 3	A tropical climate is very hot and humid.
Year 4	The denominator tells us the number of equal parts in a whole.
Year 5	Division is the inverse of multiplication
Year 6	When we look at a problem solving question we use RUCSAC to help us!

## Shared Lunch



Congratulations to Katy, Chevontay, Oskar, Dylan, India, Joshua, Simranpreet, Bartosz, Wiktoria, Chloe, Emily and Marlon who all shared lunch with Miss McGrath and Mrs Porter today. Children are selected for showing acts of kindness, hard work, enthusiasm and sensible behaviour throughout the week.

If you need any advice on how to be a scary vampire, then get in touch with Aunt Horrible! If she is not available, we are sure Kamilla in Year 2 will be able to give you a few tips! Great piece of writing, Kamilla.

## WHOLE SCHOOL NOTICES – URGENT!

- @ **The cost of school dinners is increasing after Easter. The new price will be £10.25 per week/£2.05 per day**
- @ **Parents' Evenings are planned for Monday and Wednesday 17 and 19 March - have you booked your appointments? If you cannot come on either of the given days, please contact your child's teacher to agree a suitable alternative.**

### SAFEGUARDING

We would like to remind ALL parents and visitors to the school that no-one should be using a mobile phone inside the building at any time. This includes using the phone as a music player. Please note that parents will not be allowed into school if they are using a phone at the door, so please do not ring the bell until you have finished any call you may be on. If you use a childminder to collect your child please pass this information on to them.

Parents also need to be very vigilant when their children are using the internet at home. Mrs Stanley has spoken to our older KS2 classes about the dangers of Facebook and other social networking sites. There could also be a danger in children using internet games on devices such as Xbox etc where unknown persons can join a game and communicate with your child.

### LENT

Our Good Shepherd Appeal last week raised £57.14. Thank you for your support. If anyone forgot to bring in a donation in return for coming to school dressed as a book character, it is not too late to make a contribution! Our COIN TRAIL today went all the way from the Library down to Nursery. We will let you know how well you did in next week's newsletter. Next Friday is 'Odd Socks, Odd Shoes, Crazy Hair Day'. Please bring 50p to support St Chad's Sanctuary.

### A VERY SPECIAL APPEAL

Sr. Margaret Walsh and her team have asked for suitcases, zipped holdall bags, new underwear for adults, small adult-sized jeans, toiletries and dried food eg pasta, rice, pulses. These will be passed on to the homeless and needy people in our city so that they have the basics they need. Anything that you can donate will be gratefully received by Sr. Margaret and her team.



### PTA

Don't forget our display of Easter artwork on Wednesday 9 April. All children are invited to make something with an Easter theme; garden, hat, decorated egg (hard-boiled!), collage etc.

All entrants will receive a small prize.

An exciting program of events is being planned for the coming months and a selection of new playground toys is on order - watch this space!

### SCHOOL CHALLENGES



Forms for the **READING** and **WRITING** CHALLENGES have been distributed. Remember to hand your completed entries to Miss McGrath and Mrs Hyland. You have to 'be in it to win it'!

### STORE VOUCHERS



Sainsbury's are running their 'Active Kids' campaign from now until 20 May. Please collect the vouchers so that we can obtain some new sports equipment for the children. Ask your family, friends and neighbours to help too. Thank you to all the parents who are already doing their best to fill our voucher collection box!

### Class Information for Parents

**Year 6:** Well done, Y6 – not long to go now, so keep up the good work!

**Year 5:** I am looking forward to seeing you all on Parents' Evening.

**Year 4:** Please read every evening and learn your spellings.

**Year 3:** Thank you for dressing up on Book Day. It was super!

**Year 2:** Free Science Fair, 'The Big Bang', at the NEC all weekend. Log on to [www.thebigbangfair.co.uk](http://www.thebigbangfair.co.uk) to register. Enjoy!

**Year 1:** Please remember to wear your uniform to school on Wednesday but bring Forest kit (2<sup>nd</sup> half of class) – wellies, jeans, old clothes.

**Reception:** Thank you Miss Corkerry for all your hard work teaching Reception Class.