

St Augustine's Catholic Primary School

Week ending Friday 14 November

Attendance Matters!

This week's attendance (last week's in brackets)	Number of days missed	Number of lates
Rec: 93.3% (95.79%)	10	0
Y1: 97.33% (96.74%)	4	5
Y2: 97.24% (97.11%)	4	0
Y3: 96.55% (96.03%)	5	5
Y4: 97.85% (94.92%)	3	2
Y5: 96.15% (97.18%)	5	1
Y6: 99.2 % (97.19%)	1	2



ATTENDANCE – 96.8%

Well done, everyone! You have battled the cold and wet weather really well this week.

PUNCTUALITY – 15 lates

This is a great improvement. However, we could do with everyone being here on time every day!

ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS - Year 6

Well done, Y6, for setting a great example to all the other classes.

☆ Stars of the Week ☆

Rec: Daniel Faraj	Alexandrs Saharovs
Y1: Stacey Stephen	Leon Factor
Y2: Amelia Wrukowska	Eryk Krawczyk
Y3: Isabella Kapustka	Kamilla Lawrence
Y4: Randul Fernando	Kacper Kapustka
Y5: Megan Brown	Vuong Nguyen
Y6: Wiktorija Gajda	Declan Mulvenna

Fact of the Week

Reception	Numbers are great fun!
Year 1	Number bonds up to ten are easy to remember.
Year 2	It's a good idea to count your change when shopping.
Year 3	You can make four different calculations from 4 and 6.
Year 4	Numerals can also be called digits.
Year 5	Numerator and denominator are important words.
Year 6	Use your partitioning skills if you are stuck.

Work of the Week: Y5

IMAGINATIVE LETTER WRITING

November 1914

Dear Dylan

I miss you so much and I am so sorry if my words are scrawled up. I am so tired and exhausted from moving all around the muddy, sloppy trench. It is so difficult to move around the trench, it is like the mud from the trench is sucking you in. It is so cold I am frozen to the bone.

It's a horrendous sight seeing all the blood and bodies lying around me. Trust me you do not want to join the army. The Germans are against us and they are a hard enemy to attack. My extraordinary friend got shot and he has half a face now from an explosion from a grenade! It was too sad to watch my number one friend die and do nothing about, however I shot the enemy that shot him.

After a while, I was sent to the front line: most of the people had been shot so they'd had to go to the caring, generous nurse. I was frightened because the Germans kept on shooting people on the front line. Although we kept hiding, they still tried to shoot us through the strong, hard sandbags. Who knows what might happen to us on the front line

The front line is so loud: it feels as though I might become deaf from the ferocious explosions made by the grenades. Also, the number of loud bullets flying towards us is like a mad hurricane hurling itself to us.

We are lucky that they didn't fire gas bombs at us: we would all have been knocked out. Are you doing alright with your studies? Loud and dangerous stuff has been happening ever since I arrived at the front line. The Germans are as fierce as dinosaurs.

Best wishes from your friend

Vuong

EVENTS

- Thank you for your support of today's "Be a Hero" focus. It was wonderful to welcome so many parents to our Coffee Morning and the Cake Sale went down very well! The money raised will be shared between Children in Need and Help the Heroes.
- Later this term, we shall be welcoming a visitor from "Robin Arrows" – he will work with the children on basic archery skills. Following this, we hope to run a Mini-Archery Club after school on Fridays. Information about this 6-week club will be circulated shortly.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- ✦ The children's RE and Humanities work on remembrance has been outstanding. Every class prepared a beautiful wreath or cross for Tuesday and the sea of poppies on the window looks amazing.
- ✦ Thank you to Y5 pupils who shared their Shakespeare work with us all on Tuesday afternoon. You were brilliant.
- ✦ Well done to everyone in Y2, Y3 and choir who prepared special assemblies about remembrance this week.

RESIDENTIAL VISIT

Y5 pupils are eagerly looking forward to their visit to Alton Castle. Parents are invited to a meeting on Tuesday straight after school to discuss the final arrangements.



A healthy breakfast is an essential part of every day. Children who arrive at school not having eaten or drunk anything often struggle to concentrate and achieve. Please do your best to ensure that your child has eaten something before arriving at school.

ATTENDANCE

We have achieved a good level of attendance again this week, despite several absences due to seasonal coughs, colds and tummy upsets.

Please ensure that we are informed as early as possible if your child will not be in school on a particular day.

Shared Lunch



Congratulations to Katie H, Oliwier M, Corey, Amelia, Patryk, Shea, Tram, Emmanuel B, Megan, Oliwia S, Wiktoria and Nikola S who all shared lunch with Miss McGrath. Children are selected for showing acts of kindness, hard work, enthusiasm and sensible behaviour throughout the week.

SAFEGUARDING



HEALTHY SNACKS: May we remind you that children should only bring in plain biscuits, fruit or vegetables plus plain water for their morning snack. Cereal bars and other sugary biscuits/drinks should be kept at home.

GOOD HOME NEEDED FOR A PIANO!

We have had interest shown in acquiring the piano which is on offer. If anyone else is interested, please contact Miss McGrath by Monday afternoon at the latest.



ANTI-BULLYING WEEK



Next week, we shall be spending some extra time reminding children how to treat each other in kind and thoughtful ways. We shall be welcoming visitors from the Malachi Trust and the Riverside Performing Arts Group to help with this work.



Many thanks for sharing the "black and white" reading books with your children each night. It makes such a difference to their confidence.

Class Information

Rec: You have been a super class again this week, Reception. Well done, everyone!

Year 1: Your progress in number work has been really good – keep practising those number bonds.

Year 2: Keep up the good work with letter and number formation – I have seen a big difference recently!

Year 3: So many of you have achieved a lot of progress in handwriting and presentation this week. Well done.

Year 4: Thank you all for improving your work in so many different ways this week. Keep up the effort!

Year 5: Our visit to Alton Castle is nearly here. Make sure you everything ready in good time.

Year 6: You have completed an amazing amount of work for all your teachers this week. Thank you!