

St Augustine's Catholic Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people.

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Week ending Friday 18 March 2016

Attendance Matters		
This week's attendance (last week's in brackets)	Number of days missed	Number of lates
Rec: 89.03% (89.03%)	17	0
Y1: 90.00% (85.33%)	15	0
Y2: 97.33% (87.33%)	4	3
Y3: 90.33% (90.67%)	14½	5
Y4: 80.00% (98.67%)	30	3
Y5: 92.50% (93.57%)	10½	0
Y6: 96.67% (94.81%)	4½	1



ATTENDANCE – 90.73%
This is 95½ days or the equivalent of more than 19 weeks' absence! Please send your child to school every day - we will send them home if they are unwell.



PUNCTUALITY – 12 lates
A slight improvement this week. We are particularly happy with those children who were persistently late but now get to school on time every day - well done!



ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS – Year 6
Well done, Year 6 – 4½ days' absence and only 1 late! Will you still be champions next week?

☆ Stars of the Week ☆

Rec: Caitlin Phu Kyan Ho
Y1: Olivier Wieremiewicz Ashley Muzika
Y2: Leon Factor Virginia Dela Cruz
Y3: Raul Sody Chevontay Smith
Y4: Triston Dyer Theo Shelley
Y5: Elouise Meade Emmanuel Baruti
Y6: Oliwia Suchocka Oliwia Wegrzyn

Fact of the Week

Rec'n	We have about 400 frogspawn in our tank - we're still counting them!
Year 1	There are two weeks in a fortnight.
Year 2	We can divide by grouping.
Year 3	We weigh objects using g and kg.
Year 4	The inverse of multiplication is division.
Year 5	1/2 = 50%; 1/4 = 25%; 1/10 = 10%; 1/100 = 1%
Year 6	When solving algebra problems, you must do the same to both sides of the equation.

The children in Year Six have written letters to Bishop Byrne and his secretary, John Paul.

PTA EASTER DISPLAY

Your art work for our display is due in next Wednesday - remember to name it.



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Friday 11th March 2016

Dear Bishop Byrne,

We hope you are doing well. Thank you so much for attending our Confirmation. You made the service extra special for us and we are thankful for it. We felt blessed and refreshed after the Confirmation ceremony.

The service was quiet and peaceful. It was an honour to have you lead the ceremony. You explained to us the meaning of the Sacrament of Confirmation and taught us all a meaningful lesson about Christianity. We are going to remember your words and try to be better people throughout our lives.

We appreciate you spending your time confirming us and taking pictures with us. We would like to say one more thank you to you and also to John Paul for his assistance and help during the ceremony.

Yours Sincerely

Megan & Thu

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Dear John Paul,

Thank you so much for coming to our Confirmation and for helping us. We are very thankful for what you have done for us. It was a real pleasure to meet you and to have you by our side.

We felt very blessed and refreshed after the blessing with the Oil of Chrism. We hope you come next year and that the celebrants will enjoy it as much as we did.

It was really kind of you to give up your time to support us throughout the special ceremony. It was very peaceful and calming, all our families enjoyed it. It was a special time for us and all the people in the church. Our school would be very happy if you could come again next year.

You were of huge support to the Bishop, he is very lucky to have you by his side. We pray for your future, you will be a wonderful priest one day.

Yours sincerely

Vivian & Oliwia

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IMPORTANT SCHOOL NEWS

- † **UNIFORM:** Please check that your child has the correct uniform, including shoes and PE kit, and that everything is named. We will be doing a full uniform check on 12 April.
- † After the Easter holiday, dinner money will be increasing to £2.15 a day/£10.75 each week. Please let the office know **BEFORE** the holiday, with a written note, if your child will be having sandwiches instead of school dinner after Easter.
- † **PIZZA DAY** next week is Wednesday 23 March. Please order and pay on Monday as usual. Dinner money for next week will be £6.30 for the 3 days the children will be in school.
- † Pupils in Y3 and Y1: make sure you have your PE kit in school after the holiday for your tennis lesson on 12 April.
- † Sr Margaret and her team are very grateful for your wonderful donations last week.
- † Thank you for sharing our Performing Arts' Assembly yesterday and for joining our "Walk a Mile" for Comic Relief. We hope your legs are not too stiff!
- † Beat the Street is going well. If you haven't registered or used your card yet, there is still time to earn points for our school team. We know of 2 members of staff and one child who have each received £25 vouchers for Decathlon-check your emails! Total school points up to 11 March 4,630: number of members 124/average points 37. We were in 5th place but our average score takes us up to 3rd. Let's make sure all 255 pupils register - we have given out cards to staff and governors as well so there must be quite a few children who have not registered yet!!!
- † **Birmingham Museums' Creative Carers Programme:** there are some super activities on offer at various venues. Please contact Rosie Barker on Rosie.Barker@birminghammuseums.org.uk or telephone 0121 348 8103 for information.

SAFEGUARDING

Every child should be kept safe.



EASTER RAFFLE

Raffle tickets are still available every day from your teacher.

We have lots of lovely egg prizes so make sure you have some tickets - 10p each or 50p per strip.



THE WEDNESDAY WORD

Special word of the week is: "PRAISE"



"I can never praise enough the goodness of God."
Blessed Dominic Barberi

Remember to go to church on Palm Sunday to celebrate the great feast and praise God together.

EASTER HOLIDAY

Please remember that school closes for Easter at 15:30 next Wednesday, 23 March.

We re-open on Tuesday 12 April at 08:50.



READ WRITE INC

It is vital that you hear your child read every night. Younger children have a copy of their RWInc book as well as all children having other reading books to share with parents.



Shared Lunch



Congratulations to **Sandra, Ashley, Charley, Ethan, Nikola, Corey, Ketrin, Gerrard, Chenique, Callum, Megan and Credo** who all shared lunch with Miss McGrath and Mrs Porter. Children are selected for showing acts of kindness, hard work, enthusiasm and sensible behaviour this week.

Class Information

Rec: What fantastic drummers we have in Reception! Don't forget to help your child to make an Easter bonnet.

Year 1: Please can we have some tissues?

Year 2: We've been working hard writing letters and diary accounts. Keep practising your x tables and your spellings for Tuesday.

Year 3: Keep working hard with your times tables - 6x and 7x this week.

Year 4: Please can we have some tissues for the classroom? Bring a water bottle every day!

Year 5: Will you please make sure that your child has a water bottle in school.

Year 6: Super work this week, Year 6. You have all worked so hard to solve your algebra problems - keep it up!