

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 10 June 2016

Attendance Matters		
This week's attendance (last week's in brackets)	Number of days missed	Number of lates
Rec: 92.00% (88.33%)	12	3
Y1: 97.63% (95.86%)	3	0
Y2: 95.33% (95.67%)	7	3
Y3: 97.00% (93.33%)	4½	0
Y4: 97.00% (99.00%)	4½	7
Y5: 98.57% (98.57%)	2	3
Y6: 98.93% (98.21%)	2½	3



ATTENDANCE – 96.63%

Hurray - we are above the 96% required by the Local Authority. We need to improve on this for the rest of the term in order to bring our yearly average up to the same level.



PUNCTUALITY – 19 lates

Are the hot nights stopping you from getting to sleep? Please try to get up early enough to get to school by 10 to 9.



ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS – Year 6

Very good attendance by Year 6!
Year 1 and Year 5 were also excellent – keep up the good work, everyone

Fact of the Week

RSD	The Queen is 90 years old
Year 1	When the whole class is here we have 100% attendance
Year 2	> means greater than; < means less than
Year 3	We use the inverse operation to check the answer to a problem
Year 4	Always read the ? carefully when completing a 2 step word problem
Year 5	The formula for volume is length x height x width
Year 6	Every prime number after 3 can be made into a multiple of 6 by adding or subtracting 1

☆ Stars of the Week ☆

Rec: Sebastian Prusak	Maxim Skoryk
Y1: Ishmael Clarke	Chentayana Smith
Y2: Ethan Hammond	Daphnee Stanisz
Y3: Danyana Henry	Ellis Mills
Y4: Kallum Williams	Gerrard Kelly
Y5: Emmanuel Baruti	Leoni Gayle
Y6: Shanae Jeffrey	Eleonora Zajacova

Work of the Week: Year 6



Ancient Egyptian Pyramids



*The Pyramids of Giza were built between 2589 and 2504 BC.

*Each block of stone used to build the pyramids weighed approximately 3 tonnes, which is approximately 6.5 million tonnes in total weight for each pyramid. There were 118 to 138 pyramids built.

*According to research it is thought that the ancient Egyptians – who built the pyramids – may have been able to move massive stone blocks across the desert by wetting the sand in front of a contraption built to pull the heavy objects.

*Some people believe that no amount of men could have carried all those huge, limestone blocks and that aliens helped to place them there. There are a lot of conspiracy theories about how the pyramids were built.

*The pyramids were built to protect the buried pharaoh's. The Egyptians believed that if the pharaoh's body could be mummified after death and laid to rest in a pyramid tomb, the pharaoh would live forever.

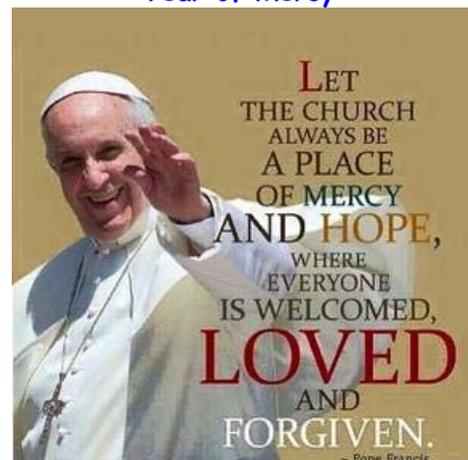
By Shanae and Amelia Year 6

Shanae and Amelia have worked hard on their research into the building of the pyramids and there are some very interesting theories into how and why they were built. Well done, girls.

Road Safety

We have been informed by Birmingham City Council that six Parking Penalty Notices were issued during the week before half term. We know that those parents will not be happy at the thought of paying a fine which could have been so easily avoided. However, this does not seem to have deterred some parents from parking on the yellow lines. Please remember that it is an offence to park there and also to pull up in the middle of the road to let your child out of the car. We have asked the Council to come back to the school, which they have agreed to do, so PLEASE do not stop or park irresponsibly or illegally outside the school.

Year of Mercy



IMPORTANT SCHOOL NEWS

Grammar Schools Admissions – September 2017

- The forms for entry into a grammar school are now in school. You will need to register your child for the test by 4pm on Friday 8 July 2016. Late entries will not be accepted. The entrance test will be held on 10 September this year. This test is for Bishop Vesey's, Sutton Coldfield; Handsworth Grammar; Sutton Coldfield Grammar and the five King Edward VI Grammar Schools.
- Now that the weather is so much warmer, please make sure that you have applied suncream to your child just before school. Sunhats and water bottles should be in school every day. Our children are very lucky that we have two chilled water dispensers in school, and water bottles are kept on their desk (or nearby) so that drinks are readily available.
- Please remember that all children need full PE kit, including pumps that fit, so that they can practise for Sports Days. Trainers should NOT be worn to school.

REMINDERS OF SCHOOL DATES

Please note these dates in your diary if you have not done so already.

Thursday 23 June EU Referendum Polling Day

Friday 8 July – Absolute deadline for Grammar School registration

Friday 22 July School closes for Summer Break

Wednesday 7 Sept School re-opens to children

Please pay close attention to the newsletter for other important dates.

THE WEDNESDAY WORD

Special word of the week is 'Sorry'



Act of Contrition

O my God,
Because you are so good,
I am very sorry that I
have sinned against
you, and by the help of
your good grace I will
not sin again.
Amen

PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

All the children in our school wish to thank the hard workers of the PTA for arranging the party to celebrate our Queen's 90th birthday, and also the visit from the Queen and Prince of some magical land.

They all had a lovely day.

SCHOOL NURSE +

Andrea, our school nurse from the Lansdowne Centre, will be in school from 1.00pm on 16/06, 30/06 and 14/07. If you would like to have a chat with her about anything that may be bothering you about your child's health, let Miss Hancock know and she will arrange an appointment for you.

Shared Lunch



Congratulations to Daniel, Jesika, Avaani, Nadia, Bartosz, Eryk, Bryan, Jessica, Randul and Aishwarya who all shared lunch with Miss Kavanagh and Mrs Porter. Children are selected for showing acts of kindness, hard work, enthusiasm and sensible behaviour this week.

READ WRITE INC

KS1 children will be doing some very special phonics work next week so please make sure that they are in school on time and every day, especially the Y1 children. Over the weekend visit the website

<http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/PicnicOnPluto.html> which has enjoyable games to encourage the reading of alien words and the phonics they need to learn.



Class Information

Rec: What a wonderful party and we had a visit from the King and Queen!

Year 1: We really enjoyed our party today – many thanks to the PTA.

Year 2: Carry on reading at home every night and ask your parents to sign your reading diary.

Year 3: Please bring a water bottle into school now that the weather is warmer. Keep working on your X tables.

Year 4: Please bring a water bottle to school and remember ALL of your PE kit in school every day.

Year 5: Please make sure that you have your complete PE kit in school every day.

Year 6: Y6 are looking forward to a fun-packed weekend at Min-y-Don. We will see you all around 4pm on Monday.