



Friday 9th February 2024

St. Augustine's Early Years News

We come to school to live and learn happily together by loving ourselves and each other as Jesus teaches us.

★ Star of the Week

Our Star of the Week will be chosen for their great participation and listening in circle times.

As a reward, we will also be sending home Charlie Bear with your child. Charlie likes to stay for a week and come back the next Friday for the next Star of the Week. Please write in his diary or add some photos of some of the fun things you have done.

This week's Star of the Week is

Blossom



Cruz

Term Dates:

Spring

Thursday 4th January 2024 -
Wednesday 27th March 2024

Half Term

Monday 19th February - Friday
23rd February

Summer

Monday 15th April 2024 -
Thursday 18th July 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, we have been talking about Chinese/Lunar New Year. We have practiced our cutting skills to make all different kind of dragons and have used our gluing skills to decorate a beautiful lantern.

In our Maths learning, we have continued the theme and fed the Chinese dragon using our subitising and number knowledge.

To finish the week, children had the opportunity to taste some yummy egg noodles!

Congratulations

This week St Augustine's welcomed a new tiny addition to the family, congratulations to Mrs Faulkner who welcomed a beautiful baby boy. Both mum and baby are doing well and we can't wait to meet him.

Donations

Thank you to everyone who has provided donations for the development of our Mud Kitchen area. We really do appreciate your donations and they have already been put to good use!

We are now working on making our Prayer Garden into a more reflective space and are looking for some donations of:

- Soil
- Planters/plant pots/seeds/etc.
- Artificial plants or flowers
- Trellis Archway
- Children's benches



For our classroom learning, we are also in need of some ingredients to make playdough:

- Flour
- Salt
- Cream of tartar

Thank you for your continued support.

Pancake Day

Next week, it is Shrove Tuesday. We will be

celebrating by eating some pancakes in class. Children will also take part in fun activities such as pancake races! Please inform us if your child has any allergies. If your child cannot have a pancake, you are welcome to provide an alternative. Please let a member of staff know. Thank you.

Sound of The Week

On Monday, please bring in something beginning with the sound 'n' to show the class.

Homework

For homework this week, there is a worksheet on our sound of the week 'i' on Teams and the children will also be bringing home a paper copy of a Cultural Heritage document for you to complete with them. The Cultural Heritage work will need to be brought back next week as it will be used for further learning activities.



St Francis of Assisi
CATHOLIC ACADEMY TRUST

Diary Dates:

Friday 1st-Wednesday 6th March

Travelling Book Fair

Thursday 7th March

World Book Day.

Reading for Pleasure

We will continue our Reading for Pleasure sessions on Thursday mornings from 8:40-9:00am, all parents are welcome. We look forward to seeing you then.

Book Fair

The Travelling Book Fair will be visiting our school from Friday 1st - Wednesday 6th March. More details to follow shortly.

World Book Day

World Book Day will take place on Thursday 7th March and we would like to give your child the opportunity to dress up for this event. There are a number of options for this. Your child may dress up in traditional dress from their culture, an important figure they have been learning about or a character from their favourite fiction book. We will leave this entirely up to yourself and your child to decide! We are mindful that some families may be struggling with the cost of living crisis, so please do not feel you have to buy an outfit for this event. Get creative and use something you already have at home or just make a prop or clue about the book so your child can share this with the class.

Please see the separate letter sent by Mrs Blackwell about the plans for this event.

<https://www.staugustines.herts.sch.uk/herts/primary/staugustines/site/pages/parents/schoolday>

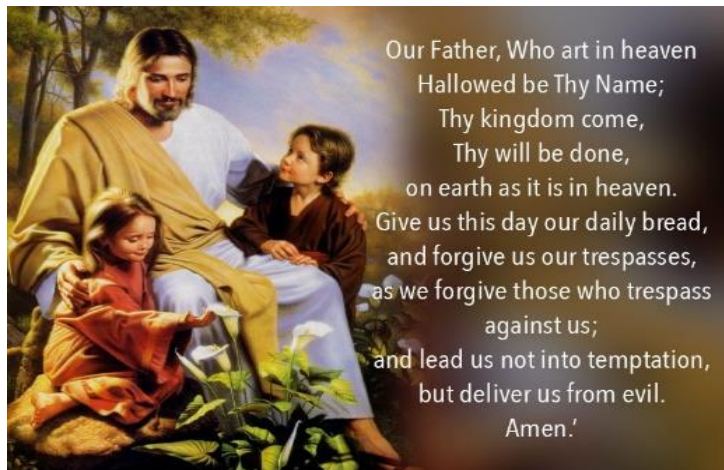
Nursery Places

Our Nursery applications are decided entirely by us and we are still OPEN for applications, so do contact our office on 01992 463549 or email

admin@staugustines.herts.sch.uk

Our details and further information can also be found on our website

<https://www.staugustines.herts.sch.uk/herts/primary/staugustines>, which will give you an excellent flavour of our wonderful school and community.



Warm wishes for a lovely weekend.

God Bless.

Mrs Batchelor and Mrs Smitham

Nursery Teachers

Mrs Blackwell

EYFS & KS1 Leader