



# St. Augustine's Newsletter

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April

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

## Diary Dates \*Updates in purple

### Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April

Year 4 Swimming Lessons, 1:30pm

### Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May

Year 3 & 4 Football and High Fives Netball More details to follow

Sapta Break the rules Non Uniform day for Summer Fair donations

### Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May

Early May Bank Holiday SCHOOL CLOSED

### Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>-Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May

Rosary week

### Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May

Year 2 School Trip-National History Museum

### Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May

Ascension Mass at Church @ 9:15am

### Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May

SAPTA Quiz Night TBC

### Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May-Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May

Y6 SATs Week

### Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May

Year 4 Swimming Lessons, 1:30pm

### Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May

Year 6 Residential Trip

### Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May

Year 4 Swimming Lessons, 1:30pm



## Stars of the Week

Reception - Ava

Year 1 - Devon

Year 2 - Sienna

Year 3 - Nana

Year 4 - Sofia-Mia

Year 5 - Joseph

Year 6 - Carlo

Our Stars of the Week are chosen for their conscientious effort and hard work throughout this week as well as exemplary behaviour.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow! What a great turn out of children in their Cultural clothes or colours of their Country flags. Parents, THANK YOU so much for the fantastic tasters, there was such a variety, we will have to have a food tasting session for the whole school community for our Cultural Heritage week next year. On top of all this we have also had the Intra Hockey Tournament. The children have moved around the school beautifully when joining with other year groups. We had a visit from PC Dan who really enjoyed seeing the children's workshops on Cultural Heritage and eating lunch with the children.



## Growing

Reception	We are growing in love for God.
Year 1	We are growing in our understanding of Jesus.
Year 2	With God's love we grow every day.
Year 3	We grow our love for God every day.
Year 4	We are all growing in the image of God.
Year 5	Each day our knowledge of Jesus and his guiding light grows.
Year 6	Our love for God and Jesus is constantly growing.



## Our Subject Learning This Week

Reception	In Maths, we have focused on number bonds to 10.
Year 1	In Science this week, we have been reviewing what we have learned during our topic Plants.
Year 2	In History, we have been learning about significant Kings and Queens. Then we ordered them correctly onto the timeline.
Year 3	In Geography, we were exploring the different native tribes that live in the Amazon.
Year 4	In Music, we have been learning a new song 'Lean on me' by Bill Withers.
Year 5	In Italian, we are learning how to say what activities the children enjoy doing, such as swimming and dancing.
Year 6	In English we have been writing instructions based on a recipe from our Heritage.

## RSE Workshop

Thank you to all the parents that attended the workshop yesterday. We hope you found it useful. It's always lovely to see parents in school.

## Bags for school

Well done everyone, collectively we submitted 65kg of textiles to Bags for school.

## Cultural Heritage Week

This week we have been celebrating our school's first Cultural Heritage and Diversity week. We started on Monday by travelling around the school to learn about different Scientists, Artists, Musicians, Explorers, Mathematicians and Inventors who all had a range of diverse backgrounds. The children filled out their own passports with important facts they had learnt in each class.

On Tuesday, we celebrated St. George's Day by listening to the story and then creating our own props with recycled materials.

On Wednesday, we read a range of books from Hoddesdon Library from a range of diverse authors about different countries and significant people from around the world. Thank you SAPTA for funding this.

On Thursday, the children had great fun learning about dance from around the world.

On Friday, the children looked amazing dressed in their cultural dress and the colours of their flags. The children enjoyed their mini feasts in their classrooms with their friends and also had a chance to taste a range of foods that our cook made for them. Thank you again parents for your contributions. A huge thank you to Aspens Catering for providing taster platters for each class.

## Intra Hockey Tournament

This week, Years 3 to 6 have been taking part in our very first Intra Hockey Tournament. Each house have gone through some extremely competitive matches that have shown Mr White great skill, excellent teamwork and splendid sportsmanship. After the week's worth of matches, the point table was as follows:

1. St Catherine (Blue House) - 7 points
2. St Agnes (Yellow House) - 5 points
3. St Augustine (Green House) - 3 points
4. St George (Red House) - 1 point



Today, Yellows defeated Blues the score was 1 all but Yellow's won 3-2 on penalties. Both teams played so incredibly well, but congratulations to Yellows for earning some more crucial points towards the House Cup at the end of the year.

Also, congratulations to Red team on beating Green team 2-0 and for grabbing the Bronze medal and placing third.

## Governor Vacancies

We are looking for both a Foundation Governor (Immediate start) and a Parent Governor (September start). If you are interested in giving something back to the school or know someone who may be interested please contact [headspa@staugustines.herts.sch.uk](mailto:headspa@staugustines.herts.sch.uk). Training is provided to help Governors fulfil their very important role. All skills are welcome, including HR, SEND and safeguarding. More information can be found at

<https://education.rcdow.org.uk/governance-admissions/>

## Nursery Admissions 2024/25

Our Nursery applications are decided entirely by us and we are OPEN for applications. Contact our office by phone 01992 463549 or email [admin@staugustines.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@staugustines.herts.sch.uk) Our details and further information can also be found on our website which will give you an excellent flavour of our wonderful school and community.

<https://www.staugustines.herts.sch.uk/herts/primary/staugustines>

Parents, please help by spreading the word. Everyone is welcome.



## SAPTA NEEDS YOU!!!

**Reasons to Join our School PTA**

- It's Totally Flexible**  
We all have busy lives so understand not everyone can attend meetings and events. But just helping at an event is huge!
- It's Actually Fun**  
Be part of a Team that tries to organise the best events! Brain Storm over a wine/gin/beer or coupe and suggest your most hatched ideas and you don't have to make Cakes (unless you really want too!)
- It's not Just for Mums**  
Everyone is welcome, and would be great to have Dads, Males Carers and Grandparents join us
- Support the School**  
All funds raised go directly to the school for our pupils
- Create lasting Memories**  
Our children are only at school for a few years. They will have so many memories of the events we hold, and the resources and equipment we can provide for them

Come join our team and let's keep creating more fun memories for our children. We are also looking for a treasurer to join sapta. So please email or speak to a member of sapta, if you think you can help.  
[st.augustinesptahoddesdon@gmail.com](mailto:st.augustinesptahoddesdon@gmail.com)

## Saptas Save the dates for this year.

Quiz Night  
(Adults only)  
Friday 10th May  
TBC 😊

Break the rules non uniform for summer fair  
Friday 3rd May 🚫

Fathers Day Gift sale  
Friday 14th June 🎁

Summer Fair  
Saturday 29th June  
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God Bless,

Mrs Napier  
HEADTEACHER

