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St. Augustine's Primary School
Newsletter 10 - December 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

A huge thank you to all of our school community for the hard work and resilience shown during a very challenging term. The school days have been very different with staggered starts, finishes, breaks and lunchtimes as well as keeping bubbles separate from each other. There are many things both children and parents have not had a chance to experience this year. What hasn't changed however is the great spirit in our school community. I want to thank you all for your generosity with the donations for the Birmingham Children's hospital this week and the many cards and gifts that staff have received.

As we pause to reflect during Advent, it is clear that we have all definitely earned the chance to relax and spend time with loved ones. Our faith and our wonderful school community have been a source of inspiration to us and strengthened our ability to cope. May the hope and joy that Christmas brings, sustain us when we return in the New Year.

May God Bless us all

Helen Forrest

COVID

We are so pleased to have reached the end of term without having to close more than one bubble. We would like to thank you all for your co-operation and understanding with the measures we have had to take to try and keep our school community as safe as possible. If any of the children do test positive over the holiday period, we ask that you do inform the school as soon as possible so that we can log this and if necessary, contact anyone that has been in close contact. Please e-mail admin@st-augustines.coventry.sch.uk and let us know the name of your child, the date when they first had symptoms and the date of the positive test result. This e-mail will be monitored daily until Christmas Eve and then from the 2nd January until we return.

Well done to the 208 children with 100% attendance this term. Each child has been given a packet of sweets to bring home and their name was put into a draw to win an Amazon Fire Tablet. The winner is Brody in Year 3.

The winning house this term is St Patrick's. The children will have their treat after Christmas.

The children really enjoyed taking part in the virtual Poetry Slam this week organised by Miss Etheridge. Mrs Forrest and Mrs Carey judged the entries, which were all of a very high standard. The winners are:

1st place: Year 6 who will receive £30 to spend on books for their class library

2nd place: Year 2 who will receive £20 to spend on books for their class library

3rd place: Year 5 who will have 'afternoon tea' next term

Thank you to the staff who put in lots of hard work to prepare the children.

Thank you for your generous donations for Birmingham Children's Hospital. The children really enjoyed their visit from the elf on Monday. Photographs are on the school Facebook page if you would like to have a look. We will let you know the total amount raised next term.

The children really enjoyed watching Jack and the Beanstalk yesterday. Thank you to the PTA for funding that along with the treats for the children.

LOST AND FOUND

Have you lost a pair of glasses? Glasses, in a Specsavers box, have been found on the grass leading up to the top gate. Please contact reception if they are yours.

AFTERNOON COLLECTION

If you are going to be late collecting your child / children, could you please let the school office know before 2:00pm. As each year group finish at different times it can be difficult to get messages to the teachers once they have left the building.

SCHOOLCOMMS

Letters sent to parents this week via Schoolcomms were from Father Tom regarding Arrangements for Christmas Mass and Mass service times.

Please Note: The top gate at St. Augustine's from Sadler Road will **not** be open for any of the masses on Christmas Eve. It will be open for the Christmas Day masses.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S SCHOOL NURSERY

If your child was born between 1st September 2017 and 31st August 2018 and is due to start school in September 2022, places are available at our nursery. We offer 15 hours a week, 3 hours each morning. Please give your details to the office staff. Closing date for applications is Friday 5th March 2021.

e-mail: headteacher@st-augustines.coventry.sch.uk or admin@st-augustines.coventry.sch.uk school website: www.staugustinesprimary.net

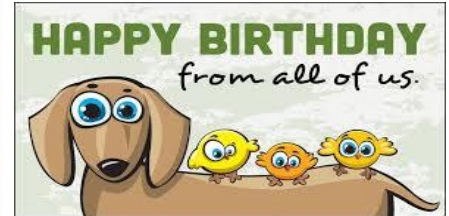


Birthday greetings to these children who celebrate their birthday during this week.

Lizzie, Lilly-Mai, Lily / Y4, Thea, Samuel / Y6, Koben, Orlaith and Mia /Y4

We hope that you have a lovely day.

Wiktorja / Y5, Kacper, Tessa-Mae, Elsie, Alicja / Reception, Sean, Emmie-Anne, Angel / Y5, Jack /Y5, Andrew, Danai, Peyton, Stephanie, Holly / Y6, Nicola / Y4 and Maci
Enjoy your special day boys and girls!



ATTENDANCE

Congratulations this week to: Y1S - Miss Shelton's class, Y2C - Miss Clyde's class and Y3L - Mrs Lovelock's class with 98.5% - **FANTASTIC!**

ARE YOU PREPARED FOR YOUR CHILD TO START SCHOOL?

Children born between 1st September 2016 and 31st August 2017 can start school in September 2021. The closing date for Primary School Applications is **15th January 2021**.

It is essential that you submit your online application **before** this date, with a copy of your child's Baptism certificate, if applicable, to both the council and the school. Failure to do so could result in your child not being considered under the appropriate admissions criteria.

For any information and advice regarding your application go to www.coventry.gov.uk/admissions

Happy Birthday to these children who celebrate their birthday during the Christmas holiday and New Year.

SPRING TERM 2021

The children return to school on **Monday 4th January**.

Merry
Christmas