

St John with St Augustine Newsletter

Safeguarding

If your child is going to be absent from school, please inform the school as soon as possible and provide a reason for the absence. If no reason is given, the absence will be recorded as unauthorised. You can report an absence via Studybugs, ParentApps, or by leaving a message on the school answering machine. Thank you

Church Dates

25 Nov	Year 6	RE Topic
2 Dec	Mr McLeod	Jonah the Groaner
9 Dec	Mr Asif	The Annunciation
16 Dec	Mrs Henderson	The Christmas Story
18 Dec	Year 4	Christingle Service

After School Clubs

Mon	KS2 Football - Cancelled 23rd Nov
Tue	KS1 Stike
Wed	Dodgeball
Thur	KS2 Choir

Diary Dates

Mon 23 Now	**Parents Evening**
Tue 24 Nov	**Rec Forest School**
Fri 27 Nov	**Year 5 Swimming Lessons**
	Celebration Assembly School Hall 3:00pm

Celebration Assembly

Reception	Holly
Year 1	Austin
Year 2	Harper
Year 3	Yousef
Year 4	Ayaan
Year 5	Hassan
Year 6	Sami
Beehive	Ava-Mae



New Play Area

Dear Parents/Carers,

You may have noticed that we now have a lovely new play area in the school yard. We are delighted with this addition, which is intended for children to enjoy during the school day.

We kindly ask that, while waiting in the yard at drop-off and pick-up times, parents/carers do not allow children to play on the new equipment or use the covered gazebo.

This is important for health and safety reasons and will also help us to keep the area in good condition for the children to enjoy during school hours.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in helping us to look after our new facilities. Many thanks for your support.

Scholastic Book Fair

We are delighted to announce that the Scholastic Book Fair will be visiting our school from **Monday 23rd November to Thursday 26th November.** The fair will be open each day from 3:30pm to 4:00pm. The book fair is cashless so contactless payments only.

The book fair will be held in the hall on Monday and in the Year 6 classroom Tuesday - Thursday.

We would love for you to come along and browse the fantastic range of books and stationery available, with something to inspire every young reader.
The five winning entries from our poster competition have now been selected and can be viewed on our school website. Each winner will receive a £5 book voucher to spend at the fair.

We look forward to seeing you there and thank you for your continued support



Beehive

It's been a lovely week in Beehive! We've been exploring adjectives and using them across different subjects to describe what we see and experience. The children have written some fabulous sentences, and it's been lovely to see them take pride in their progress.

In maths, everyone has been working on their own next steps in number. We're proud of the enthusiasm the children have brought to their learning and the care they've taken to finish their work.

As part of My Communication in our Equals curriculum, the children have been practising different ways to communicate through play and construction. They've been sharing ideas, asking for help and taking turns as they build together.

Beehive families, please could you send in some family photo's that your child can share with us? We'll use the photos as a starting point for talking about the people who are important to them.

Parents' Evening

I'm looking forward to seeing our Beehive families at parents' evening. You're welcome to drop in between 3.45pm and 5.45pm, after your appointment with your child's class teacher. If I'm with another family when you arrive, please wait outside the Year 1 and Year 2 classrooms.

Thank you!

Mrs McGilligan, Mrs Ali, Mrs Chaabni and Mrs Fairweather.

EYFS - Asia



The children had a lovely week, learning all about the celebration of birthdays.

We continued our 'Let's Celebrate' theme with the story 'The Best Birthday Present Ever'. The children the used their phonics to write a birthday wish list containing some CVC words.

In maths, we have been learning about the composition of numbers 1-5. We have been learning about different ways 5 can be made and talking about how many more is needed to make 5. We have used five frames and cubes to support our learning and write number stories. 2 and 3 make 5.



In our wider curriculum, we have been learning continued learning about the Christmas story and how our nativity songs link to the different parts of the story. We introduced a nativity scene into our RE area and talked about the different characters in the story.



In phonics we have been learning:







The children came home with a reading book containing words last week. Please encourage your child to point to each letter (grapheme), say its sound (phoneme) then blend the sounds to read the word.

Notices:
PE days are Wednesday and Friday – please note earrings must not be worn on PE days.
Nativity costume information will be sent out this week.

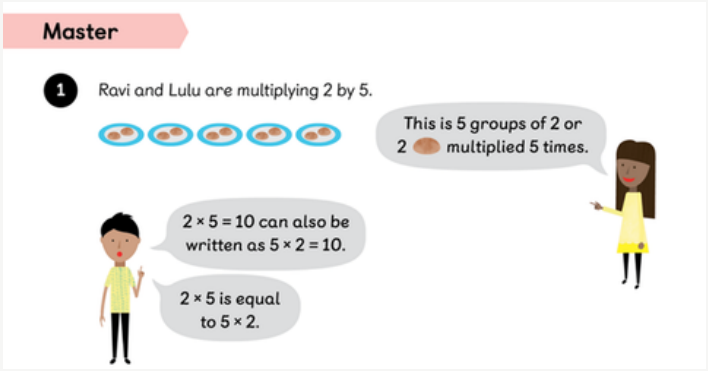
Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Jesson and the EYFS Team.

Year 1 - Antarctica

Year 2 - Africa Class

In maths we have been multiplying by 2, 5 and 10. We have also been solving multiplication word problems.





In English we have been looking at Jack and the Beanstalk and have been describing the story setting. We have also been comparing this story to the twisted tale of Jack and the Baked Beanstalk.

In History we looked at some very special WW1 artefacts loaned to us by the Museum. We discussed how important these are and what they can tell us about the past.

In DT we looked at how we can safely use utensils including knives, blenders and graters. We focused in on knives and the different holds we can use as in the coming weeks we will be chopping our own fruit for our smoothies.

Reminders:
PE – Mondays and Thursdays – please ensure your child has a full PE kit in school and earrings are not worn on PE days.
Homework and reading books– will be sent out each Friday and need to be returned on the following Thursday.

Thank you

Mrs McLeod and Miss Fletcher

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Class Newsletter

Year 3

Our learning this week...

English

In English, the children have been taking on the role of a Green Child emerging from the Wolfpit and seeing a strange land. They have written in the first person and talked about events using expanded noun phrases and fronted adverbials.

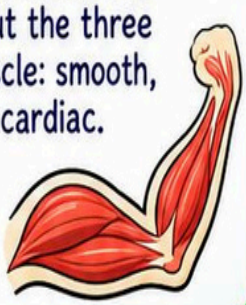
Maths

In maths, the children have been continuing with subtraction with renaming. We will shortly be moving on to bar modelling.

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Science

In science, we have looked at the muscles in the human body. The children have learned about the three types of muscle: smooth, skeletal and cardiac.



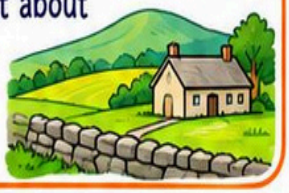
RE

In RE, the children have been looking at how God is with us. They have thought about the different ways we can feel God's presence in our lives and in the world around us.

Geography

In geography, we have been looking at the difference between rural and industrial areas. The children have explored the key features of each and thought about how land is used in different ways across the United Kingdom.





Reminders

Homework – Homework is due on a Thursday and given out each Friday.

Reading – Please read at least three times a week. Make sure you write it in the reading diaries.

PE Kits – Please make sure PE kits are in school at all times.

Uniform – Please make sure full uniform is worn every day. This includes shirt, tie, jumper and shoes.

After School Clubs

Monday

Mixed Football

3:30pm – 4:30pm

Wednesday

Dodgeball

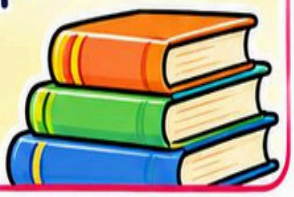
3:30pm – 4:30pm

Book Fair

Book Fair this week!

Cashless only

3:30pm – 4:00pm



Year 4 - Austalasia

The class have all been focused and dedicated to their learning and have made good progress with their learning.

Maths

We are continuing our topic of Multiplication and Division. We have now moved on to solving word problems that involve using both multiplication and division within the same question. The children are learning how to identify which operations to use and apply their times tables knowledge to solve these problems.



English

In English, we are continuing our topic on The Loch Ness Monster. We have been focusing on writing complex sentences and including key information in our own magazine articles. The children have also been exploring different non-fiction articles to gain a better understanding of their layout and features. We are using this knowledge to help us plan and structure our own articles.

Science.

In Science, we are continuing our topic on Human Teeth. This week, we have been carrying out a scientific investigation to explore whether the hardness of a toothbrush affects the time it takes to brush your teeth. The children have been developing their scientific enquiry skills by making predictions, carrying out a fair test and recording their results.

History

In History, we are continuing our topic on the Anglo-Saxons. This week, we explored a timeline of British history, looking at different historical periods, including the Romans, Vikings and Anglo-Saxons. We also looked further back in time to the age of the dinosaurs. The children have been developing their understanding of chronology and how different periods fit together on a timeline.



Key Information:

Please remember that times tables are a key focus in Year 4 as we have the official test in June. Please focus once again on the 2,5,6,9 10, and 11x tables.

Homework will be given out on Friday. This should be completed and handed in no later than Thursday every week. This will be returned by Friday.

Please read with your child at least 3 - 4 times per week. Please sign your child's yellow reading record and return both this and the reading book to school every day where this will be monitored.

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Mr Asif 😊

Year 4 Class Teacher

Year 5 - South America



Weekly Newsletter

Your weekly newsletter about Year 6!



This Week at School

In DT, we have been practising threading a needle and different stitches including running stitch, cross stitch and back stitch. We will be designing and making Christmas themed pillows over the coming weeks.

In Science, we carried out an investigation on how the distance between an object and a surface affects the size of the shadow cast.

Food Bank Donations

Year 6 are still collecting donations for our local food bank to help support families in our community. We would be very grateful for any donations you are able to send in. Every donation, big or small, will make a difference.



Extra School Activities

Xmas Craft Club - Monday lunchtime
Football Club - Mondays
Dodgeball - Wednesday
Choir - Thursdays

Reminders

PE - Monday and Thursday

Homework - Due Thursday

Reading Books - Please read three times per week and complete record



Celebrating Success



Wehave a new display in our classroom where we would love to celebrate outside of school successes. Please send in photos, certificates, medals etc. of accomplishements so we can celebrate them as a class.

Upcoming Events



Yr6presentinglearning about Advent in Church on Wednesday at 3pm

Book Fair - 23rd - 26 Nov 3:30-4pm

Christmas Carols - 14th December 2pm