

St John with St Augustine Newsletter

Safeguarding

If your child is in Year 6 and you are allowing them to walk home from school on their own, please complete a permission form via ParentApps.

Thank you

Meet the Teacher Meetings

We are holding Meet the Teacher meeting for parents on Wednesday 10 September in your child's classroom. Meeting will start at 3:30pm and will last approximately 30 minutes. They will then be repeated at 4:00pm for parents who have more than one child in our school.

These are informal meetings to go through school procedures and answer any of your questions or concerns.

After School Club Autumn Term 2025

Monday	-	KS2 Mixed Football (Boys & Girls) 3:30-4:30pm
Wednesday	-	KS2 Girls Football 3:30-4:30pm
Thursday	-	KS1 Multi-Sports 3:30-4:30pm

Protect Your Friends and Family Against FLU

Intra Health will be visiting our school to administer the Flu Vaccination on **Thursday 6th November 2025**.

To complete a consent or refusal form online, please scan this QR code.

For any queries... Call:
033335833697 option 2.

Email: team.lancashire@intrahealth.co.uk



Diary Dates

Tues 9 Sept	-	Forest School—Cancelled this week.
Wed 10 Sept	-	Meet the Teacher Meetings 3:30pm
Fri 12 Sept	-	Celebration Assembly Year 5 Swimming Lessons

School Uniform

Please make sure all items of school uniform are labelled. We already have items of school uniform missing so it really helps to get them back to the correct child if clearly labelled. Thank you

School Admissions

Do you have a child starting school in September 2026?

Closing dates for primary and secondary admissions are as follows:

Primary	-	15 January 2026
Secondary	-	31 October 2025

You must apply even if a brother or sister is already at the school, or the school is linked to your child's nursery.

To apply for a school place visit lancashire.gov.uk/schools



P.E. Kits and After School Clubs

Please make sure your child/children have a full P.E. Kit in school. If your child is taking part in after school sports they will need to bring sports clothes including trainers on that day. We can't always phone home to remind parents to bring sports kits to school. Thank you for your support.





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EYFS —Asia

A huge warm welcome to St John with St Augustine Primary School. What a first week it has been! The children have all been amazing and have settled well into life at school.

We have spent the week getting to know the children. We have played, sang, shared stories and been creative. The children have enjoyed playing outside and experiencing school life in slighter shorter days.

We have introduced a story this week which fits with 'Starting School'.

We have also read the Colour Monster and talked about some of the emotions we have been feeling this week. The children then collaged a monster using the colours of their feelings.

Notices:

Your child should have come home with a reading book and homework log on Friday. Please return these each Thursday to be checked and changed. Please write in the yellow reading record daily. Please see the letters also sent home on Friday.

Please ensure your child comes to school each day with a water bottle. This is very important for the children to stay hydrated throughout the school day.

A polite reminder that our PE days on Monday and Wednesday. Please ensure your child has a full labelled PE kit in school. Earrings MUST be removed at home for PE. Due to safety reasons, we are unable to remove them at school and children are not permitted to join in PE wearing earrings.

Thank you, Mrs Jesson and the EYFS Team.



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Year 1 - Antarctica

Year 1 – 8th September

Well done the children have settled in extremely well into their new class and have shown resilience when completing their work this week.

English

The children were astonished to discover that there was a strange door in the classroom. They came up with some imaginative ideas as to who could live behind the door. To their amazement Mr Proctor came upon the culprit on Monday evening. He gave the class some clues as to who or what it could be.

We finally found out the culprit who was sneaking into our classroom at night was Harry the mouse!

Maths

We began our chapter numbers to 10 this week. We have been busy continuing number sequences – forward and backwards. The children have also been working out odd and even numbers – well done Year 1 you have all worked hard completing your work independently.

RE

This half term our topic is Harvest. We began this by thinking about where our food comes from. The children looked at different fruits and vegetables and used a map to locate the country it originated from. Finally, the children got to taste some of the fruit e.g. juicy mango from Brazil.

Geography

This half term we are looking at our local area. We began this week by investigating different places in school.

Science

This week we thought about different parts of our body. The children had a great time placing labels on their friends naming the body part e.g. head.

Notices:

Meet the Teacher Meeting – Wednesday 10th September 3:30pm in the Year 1 classroom.

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Africa Class Year 2

Welcome to Year 2! The children have had a fantastic week in Year 2 and have all settled in very well.

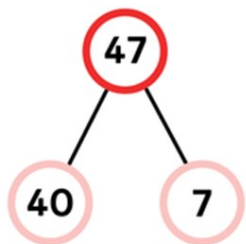
In maths we have been looking at place value. We have been looking at two digit numbers and thinking about tens and ones.

tens	ones
4	7



In the number 47, the digit 4 stands for 40.

In the number 47, the digit 7 stands for 7.



40 and 7 make 47.



There are 47 pencils on Miss Fathima's desk.

In English we have started to read *The Way Home for Wolf*. The children have been thinking about the main character.

In Geography we have started to look at the continents of the world. The children sang a song to help them remember the names of the continents and we also located them on a map.

In Art we researched into our new artist for this half term, Alexander Calder. We looked at his sculptures and discussed our likes and dislikes.

In RE we discussed our favourite/special books and how they make us feel when we read them.

Reminders:

PE – Monday and Thursday – earrings not to be worn on these days.

Homework and reading books – will be handed out on Fridays and need to be returned to school on Thursdays.

Thank you

Mrs McLeod & Miss Fletcher



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Year 3 — Europe

The children have made a strong start to the term, demonstrating great focus and enthusiasm for their learning.

Maths

This week in Maths, our main focus has been on *place value*. The children have been working carefully on understanding the value of each digit in a number, particularly within the hundreds. We have explored how ten hundreds make one thousand, and the children are beginning to see how numbers build and grow. They have shown great determination in using this knowledge to read, write, and represent numbers in different ways.

English

In English, we were thrilled to begin our new class text, *A Bear Called Paddington*. Before even opening the book, the children became detectives, using clues to predict what the story might be about and who the mysterious suitcase at the station could belong to. This led to some fantastic discussion and imaginative ideas. We then turned our attention to writing clear, step-by-step instructions, working as if we were part of the *Paddington Bear Food Company*. The highlight was testing our instructions by making marmalade sandwiches — a task Paddington himself would have approved of! To finish the week, we are excited to dive into Chapter 1 and finally meet Paddington properly.

Guided Reading

Guided Reading has been a highlight of the week! The children are thoroughly enjoying *Cinderboy* and have been quick to notice the clever twists on traditional fairy tales. Our discussions have been full of energy, with lots of imaginative predictions about what might happen next and thoughtful ideas about how the characters might be feeling. It has been wonderful to see how engaged they are and how confidently they share their ideas with one another.

Art

In Art, we have been learning about the architect Antoni Gaudi. The children have enjoyed exploring his colourful and imaginative buildings and sharing their own likes, dislikes, and first impressions. We also looked at the materials and patterns he used and discussed what makes his work different from other architects. It has been lovely to see the children beginning to form their own opinions and ideas about his unique style.

PE

PE has been an opportunity for the children to develop important skills in gymnastics, including balance, coordination, and trust. They have also enjoyed playing rounders, where they have practised working together, taking turns, and encouraging one another. Their energy and positive attitude have been fantastic to see.

PSHE

Friendship is our PSHE topic for this half term. During our sessions this week, the children thought carefully about the characteristics of positive friends, sharing examples of kindness, helpfulness and trust. They also reflected on how they can practice these in their own friendships to make a positive difference to others!

Key Information

Please read with your child at least 3 times per week and sign your child's reading record. Both this and the reading book should be returned to school each day.

One piece of homework from the homework grid should be completed and handed in on Monday every week. This will be returned on Tuesday.

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Miss Jesson



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Year 4—Australasia

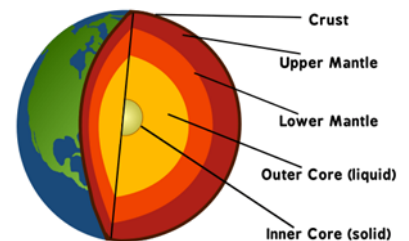
What a fantastic start to the new school year! The children have settled in brilliantly, showing enthusiasm, maturity, and a real eagerness to learn.

In maths, we have been focusing on the place value of the number. Learning about the thousands, hundreds, tens and ones.

In English, we have been reading The Loch Ness Monster. We have been looking at key facts about the monster. Spag we have been focusing on complex sentences, knowing the main clause is the sentence that makes sense on its own. Also subordinating clause is the part that will not make sense on its own.

In Science, our topic is sound. This week we look at how sound travels to your ears. Looking at the meaning of key vocabulary e.g. vibration, travel, air, sound waves.

In Geography, our topic is all about Volcanoes and earthquakes. This week we look at what we already know about the topic and learnt all about the layers of the earth.



In RE, the children have been learning what qualities we need to do a certain job. E.g. Police man or a teacher.

Key Information:

Please remember that times tables are a key focus in Year 4. Please focus once again on the 2.

New spellings are handed out every Friday to practise throughout the week. Your child will be tested on these on the following Friday.

One piece of homework from the homework grid should be completed and handed in no later than Thursday every week. This will be returned by Friday. (Extra Maths work might be given)

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

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Year 5—South America

What a fantastic start to the new school year! The children have settled in brilliantly, showing enthusiasm, maturity, and a real eagerness to learn.

Here's what we've been up to this week:

English

We've begun our exciting English unit based on *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*. As the story is set during World War II, we've also explored what life was like for evacuees. The children have written both shared and independent diary entries from the perspective of an evacuee – with some very thoughtful and imaginative responses!

Reading

Our class book is *How the Whale Became and Other Stories* by Ted Hughes. We've enjoyed the first two short stories and have been focusing on developing our "find and copy" reading comprehension skills. The children are already showing great attention to detail!

Maths

In Maths, we've launched our first *Maths — No Problem!* chapter: **Numbers to 1 Million**. We've been exploring place value, and the children have enjoyed using iPads with digital place value charts and counters to support their learning. Great number work all round!

Geography

This week, we started our topic *Our World*. We used atlases to locate the equator, the Tropic of Cancer, and the Tropic of Capricorn, and discussed the significance of these imaginary lines. The children showed great curiosity and map-reading skills.

PE

In gymnastics, we've been learning about matching and mirroring poses with a partner. Please remember that **PE kits should be in school every Thursday**.

Swimming lessons will begin on **Thursday 12th September**. Please ensure your child brings their full swimming kit, including a **swim cap** and **towel**. Swim caps can be purchased at the leisure centre for **£3** if needed.

Reading at Home

A big well done to all the children who read three or more times at home this week – we are very impressed! Regular reading really supports progress, so please continue to encourage this at home.

Thank you, as always, for your support. If you have any questions or would like to get in touch, please don't hesitate to contact me.

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Year 6—North America

Welcome back after the summer break! We are excited to begin a new school year and are looking forward to the many opportunities for learning and growth ahead.

To help your child make the best progress this year, we kindly ask for your support with the following:

Daily Reading: Please read with your child every day and sign their reading record at least three times a week.

Homework: Support your child in completing their homework and ensure it is returned each Thursday.

We would also like to invite you to our **“Meet the Teacher”** session on **Wednesday 10th September**, where you will have the chance to hear more about the year ahead and how we can work together to support your child’s learning.

Thank you for your continued support—we look forward to working with you this year.