

# St Augustine of Canterbury Catholic Primary School

"I called you by your name, you are mine." Isaiah 43

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## Newsletter

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Our school value this  
term is: Love

**Be Loving**



Thankfully, the weather has been more comfortable this week. However, we are mindful that higher temperatures are forecast for next week, therefore we will continue to monitor the guidance from the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) and the Met Office, including Heat-Health Alerts and take any necessary action based on local conditions, our school and the needs of our children and staff.

To ensure everyone's wellbeing, we will continue the following measures:

- **Additional fans in all learning spaces** to improve airflow and reduce heat in classrooms and shared areas.
- **Use of the Eco Garden and Holy Garden** during lessons, break and lunch times, as both areas are well-shaded and noticeably cooler.
- **Regular refilling of water bottles** to ensure children remain hydrated throughout the day.
- **Adjusting classroom layouts** by moving desks out of direct sunlight and relocating lessons to cooler areas such as the Eco Garden and Holy Garden when appropriate.
- **Moderating physical activity** and rescheduling PE sessions to cooler parts of the day.
- **Encouraging shade use** during outdoor breaks and activities.
- A temporary **uniform amendment** allowing children to wear their PE kit for comfort.
- Encouraging children to **wear hats** and **apply sun cream at home** before school.

Please be aware that schools have been informed by the DfE that we are not able to offer optional early collection arrangements. We will endeavour to remain fully open as we did last week however, if closure is deemed necessary on grounds of health and safety, we will inform you of a closure or partial-closure decision.

Please remember the following for your child everyday:

\* **water bottles**

\* **hats** (wide-brimmed if possible)

\* **apply sun cream at home** before school.

Thank you once again for your support and cooperation.

## Class of the Week - Year 3

Year 3 have had a wonderful week! In Science this week, the children have been busy planting cress seeds. They have been investigating the question: How does light affect plant growth? Each group had two dishes of seeds, one placed in a dark area and one near the windowsill. The children will measure the growth of the seeds each day and observe how they look.

The children have been enjoying learning to play the recorder in Music and have been practicing their hand and finger positions to play the notes B, A, G, C and E. They have also been focusing on rhythm and have been learning the meaning of staccato, legato, slur, melody and harmony.

In Maths, the children completed their topic on Mass and Capacity with an investigation. The children predicted the capacity of a range of different containers and then accurately measured the water they would hold, using a measuring cylinder.

Well done to Year 3 for a fantastic week!



## Summer Fete

Tomorrow is the PTA Summer Fete on the school playground and field.

I am very grateful to the PTA members who have worked so hard to organise the event for our school community. Thank you!

The Fete will start at 12pm and finish at 2pm. However, the set up will start at 11am if anyone is able to help set up I am sure it would be much appreciated (as will helping with the tidy up at the end please).

To keep everyone safe and the equipment from any damage or misuse, the school playground equipment, trim trail and ECO Garden must not be used during the Fete—please let any guests you are bringing along know. Thank you for your support. We look forward to seeing you there!



## Class Attendance 2025/26

| Year R | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 97.1%  | 96.9%  | 98.5%  | 97.9%  | 93.6%  | 96.7%  | 93.7%  |



## Birthdays

|           |        |
|-----------|--------|
| Aaliyah   | age 8  |
| Safiya    | age 10 |
| Imogen    | age 5  |
| Nathaniel | age 10 |
| Blake     | age 7  |
| Brodie    | age 9  |
| Sienna    | age 5  |



## Book of Excellence

|        |                      |
|--------|----------------------|
| Year R | Ogoo and Amari       |
| Year 1 | Kiari and Naomi      |
| Year 2 | Dorothy and Michael  |
| Year 3 | Paisley and Albie    |
| Year 4 | Daniel and Davina    |
| Year 5 | Stephanie and Sophia |
| Year 6 | Shantel and Callum   |



## Lunchtime Supervisors Award

|        |          |
|--------|----------|
| Year R | Oliver   |
| Year 1 | Victoria |
| Year 2 | Aathiraa |
| Year 3 | Aaliyah  |
| Year 4 | Romee    |
| Year 5 | Bradley  |
| Year 6 | Gloria   |



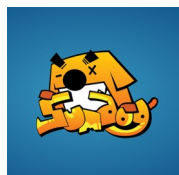
## School Values Love Award

|        |          |
|--------|----------|
| Year R | Oliver   |
| Year 1 | Finn     |
| Year 2 | Noah     |
| Year 3 | Sienna   |
| Year 4 | Romee    |
| Year 5 | Tomás    |
| Year 6 | Isabella |



## Sum Dog Top Dogs!

|        |         |
|--------|---------|
| Year R | Ewa     |
| Year 1 | Jayden  |
| Year 2 | Sophia  |
| Year 3 | Neriah  |
| Year 4 | Alice   |
| Year 5 | Bradley |
| Year 6 | Nogie   |



## Dates for your diary

**Saturday 4 July** PTA Summer Fete 12pm—2pm

**6 July** Family Reading Buddies Years 2 and 3 and 5 (3pm to 3.20pm)

**7 July** Enterprise afternoon Years 1, 2, 4 and 6 on the school playground

**8 to 10 July** Year 6 Residential trip

**9 July** 2.45pm Year 4 Class Assembly

**14 July** Year 6 Production for parents/carers 2pm

**15 July** Year 6 Production for parents/carers 2pm

**16 July** Sports Day—Infant AM, Juniors PM (picnic lunch on the field 12.22pm—1pm)

**17 July** PTA Summer Disco

**21 July** Last Day of School Year

**21 July 9.30am** Year 6 Leavers Mass 9.30am in the Church

**21 July 2.30pm** Year 6 Leavers Assembly

**1 September** INSET day

**2 September** INSET day

**3 September** Years 1 - 6 first day back to school

**10 September** Year R first day of school

## Sports Day 2026

Sports day has been rescheduled for Thursday 16th July (fingers crossed for dry weather) Parents/carers are welcome to attend.

**Infant Sports - 9.15am to lunch time.** Parents/carers should remain on the playground until registered and then make your way to the centre of the field to the designated family area. If you would like to sit down, please ensure you bring chairs/blankets etc as we are not able to supply these.

**Juniors Sports - 1.15pm to the end of the day.** Parents/Carers are welcome to arrive at 12pm to have a picnic with your child on the field (12.00-1.00pm). For allergy reasons, please do not give food to any other children. If you are arriving at 1pm, please register and make your way to the family area in the centre of the school field.

Sports events for the children take place around the perimeter of the field. Each year group then rotates from event to event during the morning (Infants) and the afternoon (Juniors). Parents/carers watch from the centre area.

For Infant and Junior Sports day, please complete the form to let us know if you will be attending and if you will be joining your child during lunchtime.

**Please do not allow your child(ren) to use the sports day equipment during lunchtime.**

If you wish; children may wear the colour of their house on their t-shirt (this does not need to be a block colour) - or they may wear their PE t-shirt. In class, the children will be making rosettes to represent their 'House' colour. (Please do not feel you need to buy a new t-shirt). All children should still wear their plain navy PE shorts (not cycling shorts) or tracksuit bottoms (not leggings).

**Please ensure your child has a hat and sun cream applied before school.**

St Andrew = **Blue**

St. Patrick = **Green**

St. David = **Yellow**

St. George = **Red**

## WOW

**Year 3**

**WOW** the WALK TO SCHOOL challenge

## House Points

**St. Andrew**

**St. David**

**St. George**

**St. Patrick**