



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: Empathy

Be Caring



This Sunday marks the second Sunday of Advent when we will light the second purple candle.

Today is the PTA Christmas Disco in the School Hall. Thank you to the PTA and staff for their time and efforts.

The children are wonderful pilgrims of hope, and always seeking to help those in need. We are grateful to our parents and carers for supporting our children in this quest with not only encouragement, but through your generosity. As you know, many food banks are in particular need during the Christmas period. Therefore, we are asking family members to bring a tin or another item from the shopping list (attached to the ParentMail) to support Medway Food Bank. A designated table has been set up in the school Atrium for you to leave any donations when you come into school for any of the upcoming events. The Medway Food Bank will be collecting your kind donations on Wednesday 17th December. Thank you for your continued support.



Our School Prayer

I am pleased to share our school prayer with you. Our prayer includes our school values and our dedication to learning and growing together in a Christ centred school.

Loving God,

Thank you for our school and for St Augustine of Canterbury who showed us how to share your light. Help us to be *kind* to everyone we meet and to show *empathy* to others. Give us *honesty* when we make mistakes and *gratitude* for each new day. Fill us with *courage* to do what is right and with *love* that welcomes and includes all.

Guide our thoughts, words and actions so our school is a place of peace and joy. May we follow St Augustine of Canterbury's example by serving others with gentle hearts and brave spirits. Bless our teachers, families and friends and keep us safe as we learn and grow.

Amen

Kent Life Victorian Day Year 6

On Wednesday, we went to a Victorian day at the Museum of Kent Life. We had a busy day taking part in different Victorian workshops. We learned all about Christmas traditions, explored life in the workhouse, made Christmas cards and our very own candles.

We had a great day, it was so much fun and we even dressed up at Victorian characters.



Class of the Week - Year 4

This week, Year 4 have been busy making circuits in Science, where we have extended our learning to consider which materials act as insulators and which are conductors.

In Maths, we have considered the 3, 6 and 9 times tables, using games and identifying patterns to support our understanding.

In English, we are reading Michael Morpurgo's Poppy Field, and this led to a conscience alley lesson today, during which we debated whether or not we would have participated in the Christmas Day 1914 truce.

In PE, we have developed our secret agent choreography and our football lesson saw us practising our dribbling, defending and attacking skills.

Throughout every lesson, we have woven our discussions of Catholic Social Teaching, with a big focus on the ways in which we can love and care for one another.

A fantastic week!



Class Attendance 2025/26

Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
99.4%	95.7%	98.9%	98.4%	96.9%	93.1%	96.1%



Birthdays

Tara age 10
Soriyah age 6
Joel age 10
Ayana age 9



Book of Excellence

Year R: Sienna and Oliver
Year 1: Kiari and Maja
Year 2: Sophia and Blake
Year 3: Mia and Sienna
Year 4: Cody and Cherryice
Year 5: Mason and Amazinggrace
Year 6: Holly and Jessica



Lunchtime Supervisors Award

Year R: Saint-Jotham
Year 1: Noelia
Year 2: Racheal
Year 3: Phoenix
Year 4: Harry
Year 5: Johnathan
Year 6: Tsitsi



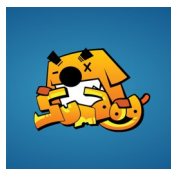
School Values Empathy Award

Year R: Ewaoluwa
Year 1: Finley
Year 2: Austin
Year 3: Alice
Year 4: Savannah
Year 5: Leo
Year 6: Niamh



Sum Dog Top Dogs!

Year R: Theo
Year 1: Alaia
Year 2: Lord-Noble
Year 3: Jordan
Year 4: Ryan
Year 5: Tomás
Year 6: Nogie



Family Christmas Singalong

St. Augustine's Church would like to invite all families to join them on **Sunday 14th December at 3.00pm** for a FAMILY CHRISTMAS SINGALONG!



Come and join the fun and sing your favourite carols. There will also be a treat for the children!



Everyone is welcome.

Dates for your diary

8 December Years 1 and 2 Nativity 2.30pm - Medway Food Bank donation :)
9 December Years 1 and 2 Nativity 2.30pm - Medway Food Bank donation :)
10 December Christmas Dinner Day
10 December 2026 Year R New Intake Tour 2pm
11 December Christmas Jumper Day in support of Save the Children
11 December Whole School trip to Hazlett Theatre Pantomime
12 December PTA Christmas Fair 3.30pm in the school hall
12 December Year 6 Assembly 9.15am (Parents/Carers complete the attendance form) - Medway Food Bank donation :)
15 December 3pm—3.20pm Parent/Carer—Workshare in classrooms - Medway Food Bank donation :)
16 December Year R Nativity 2.30pm - Medway Food Bank donation :)
17 December Medway Food Bank Collection Day
18 December Last Day of Term 2
18 December Junior Carol Service in the Church 2.15pm
19 December INSET Day—children not in school
5 January Term 3 children back to school
8 January Epiphany Mass 9.30am in the Church—all welcome—**new date**
9 January Year 5 Swimming begins
15 January Year R and 6 Height and Weight (more details to follow)
21 January Asthma Information Session for Parents/Carers 2.45pm in the school hall (let us know you will be attending via the Parentmail form)
4 February Cyber Security Information Session for Parents/Carers 2.15pm in school (let us know you will be attending via the Parentmail form)
6 February NSPCC Number Day
10 February Safer Internet Day
13 February Last Day of Term 3
16—20 February Half Term week
23 February First Day of Term 4 Children back to school
27 February Year 4 Swimming begins
Week Beginning 2 March Book Week
4 March Parents/Carers Evening 4pm—7pm
5 March World Book Day (children invited to dress up as a character)
11 March Parents/Carers Evening 4pm—7pm
19 March to 24 March Scholastic Book Fair in the school 3.30pm—3.45pm
31 March Year 4 Easter Reflection
2 April Last Day of Term 4
3 April to 17 April Easter Break
20 April First Day of Term 5
24 April Year 3 Swimming begins
4 May Bank Holiday Children not in school
6 May Year 5 trip to Maidstone Museum
7 May 2.45pm Enterprise afternoon Years R, 3 and 5
Week beginning 11 May Year 6 SATs week
22 May St Augustine of Canterbury Feast Day and Last Day of Term 5
25—29 May Half Term week
30 May First Holy Communion—**new date**
1 June INSET Day—children not in school
2 June first day of Term 6
Week beginning 8 June—Phonics Screening Week
18 June 3pm—3.20pm Parent/Carer—Workshare in classrooms
25 June Sports Day (Infants—morning) Families welcome to stay for a picnic on the field Juniors—afternoon)
Saturday 4 July—PTA Summer Fair

House Points

St. Andrew

St. David

St. George

St. Patrick

