



# St Augustine of Canterbury Catholic Primary School

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

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## Newsletter

31st January 2025

Our school value this  
term is: Honesty

**Be Honest**



Well done to Year 1 who shared their lovely assembly with the children in school this morning and Parents and Carers this afternoon!

### Class of the Week - Year 3

To celebrate Chinese New Year, year 3 completed an orienteering quiz course with questions based on China. The children had to answer the questions and then check if they were correct at each control point. Alex said, 'We had to use our maps to find the answers.'

**新年快樂**  
Happy Chinese New Year



As part of their science learning, year 3 has been looking at different types of rocks and their properties. David said, 'We put rocks (chalk, sandstone, marble and granite) into water. We saw bubbles coming from the chalk and sandstone because they had holes in them that let the water through.' Summer said, 'Rocks can be sorted into different groups.'

Year 3 celebrated their RE learning in the chapel this week. The topic was 'Journeys', looking at the liturgical year. Diane said, 'I liked going in the chapel to share our work.' Joshua said, 'We shared our pictures in the chapel. I drew God, the Earth, a heart, the star that the three wise men saw, rosary beads and a cross.' Year 3 also listened to the song 'What a Beautiful Name' by Hillsong Worship.



### Children's Mental Health Week

Next week is Children's Mental Health Week.

Children's Mental Health Week is a mental health awareness week that launched by children's mental health charity, **Place2Be**. The week exists to empower, equip and give a voice to all children and young people in the UK.

This year, Children's Mental Health Week is focussing on **Know Yourself, Grow Yourself**.

We want Children's Mental Health Week 2025 to encourage children, young people and adults to embrace self-awareness and explore what it means to them. This will help them grow and develop resilience to cope with what life throws at them.

Place2Be's Children's Mental Health Week 2025 is joining forces with Here4You to explore the importance of self-awareness and expressing emotions.

Throughout the week the children will take part in activities and assemblies to further support their 'all year round' learning about Children's Mental Health.

We are in the process of gaining The National College Whole School Mental Health Accreditation. As part of our commitment to children's mental health we will be encouraging all Parents and Carers to access a free online certificate in Understanding Mental Health for Parents and Carers—we are currently awaiting a link to enable you to access the course. Once we have received the link from The National College, we will share it with you. The free 20 min course provides parents and carers with the knowledge and skills to help protect your child's mental wellbeing.



### NSPCC Number Day

NSPCC



We are delighted to be supporting the NSPCC by taking part in Number Day on **Friday 7 February 2025**.

Number Day is a great way to make maths fun and bring about a positive, 'can-do' attitude towards it.

We are having a fun day of maths activities and we will be taking part in 'Dress up for Digits.' The children are invited to wear an item of clothing with a number on it to school (football shirt, cap, netball shirt or even a onesie!). To help raise money for the NSPCC, we are asking for donations, and we'd love everyone in the school to take part in this special event.

The NSPCC need our support more than ever. By raising money, we can help to fund their vital services such as Childline - the helpline that's always there for children and young people whatever their problem or concern. To help raise money for the NSPCC, we are asking for a suggested donation of £1 to be made through ParentMail.

## Class Attendance 2024/25

Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
%	%	%	%	%	%	%



## Birthdays

Noah age 5  
Tsitsi age 10  
Israel age 9



## Book of Excellence

The children will receive their sticker during assembly on Monday

Year R Aaron and Evelyn  
Year 1 Certificate for their lovely assembly  
Year 2 Nathan and Albie  
Year 3 Daniel and Lukas  
Year 4 Charlie and Eugene  
Year 5 Sasha and Nogie  
Year 6 Timothy and Poppy



## Mathlete of the Week

Year 1 Mmachi  
Year 2 Esmae  
Year 3 Joey  
Year 4 Kayden  
Year 5  
Year 6 Zac



## Lunchtime Supervisors Award

Year R Noah  
Year 1 Joel  
Year 2 Alice  
Year 3 Alice  
Year 4 Samson  
Year 5 Poppy  
Year 6 Lailah



## School Values Award

This term's value is Honesty. Children who received the Honesty certificate this week are:

Year R Ocki  
Year 1 Sophia  
Year 2 Faye  
Year 3 David  
Year 4 Samson  
Year 5 Mylo  
Year 6 Radley



WOW (Walk Once a Week)  
Year 6



## Dates for your diary

Week beginning 3 February Children's Mental Health Week

7 February NSPCC Number Day—Children wear any number/digits

11 February Safer Internet Day

12 February Year 3 Class Assembly 9.15am

14 February Last Day of Term 3

Week beginning 17 February **Half Term week**

24 February First Day of Term 4—children back to school

25 February Year 5 Visit to Hampton Court Palace

5 March Whole School Ash Wednesday Mass in the Church (all welcome)

14 March Year 2 Class Assembly 2.45pm

21 March Red Nose Day—children wear RED in support of Comic Relief

26 March Parents Evening

28 March Year R Class Assembly

1 April Years 1 and 3 Easter Enterprise afternoon

2 April Parents Evening

3 April Year 4 Easter Reflection 2.30pm

4 April Last Day of Term 4

7 April to 21 April Easter Holidays

22 April **INSET Day children not in school**

23 April Children back to school

5 May **Bank Holiday—children not in school**

9 May Year 5 Class assembly 2.45pm

Week beginning 12 May Year 6 SATS week

23 May Last Day of Term 5 St Augustine of Canterbury Feast Day in school

Week beginning 26 May—Half term week

2 June **INSET day children not in school**

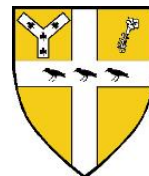
3 June children back to school Term 6

## Parent Governor Election

A letter regarding a parent governor vacancy has been sent home through Parentmail inviting you to consider standing for election as a parent governor for our school.

If you would like more information about being a school governor please contact a member of our governing body or myself for more information.

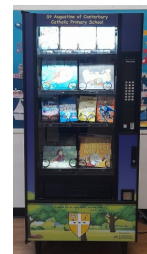
If you would like to stand for election please complete and return the form which was Parentmailed and return it by **Friday 7 February 2025** If you require a hard copy of the form please contact the school



## Reading Vending Machine

The following children received a token to select a book from our Reading Vending Machine. They were chosen for consistently demonstrating our school values.

Year R: Lottie  
Year 1: Willow  
Year 2: Barnaby  
Year 3: Cody  
Year 4: Amazinggrace  
Year 5: Alani  
Year 6: Charlotte



## House Points

St. Andrew

5340

St. David

7280

St. George

7720

St. Patrick

6843