

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: kindness

Be Kind

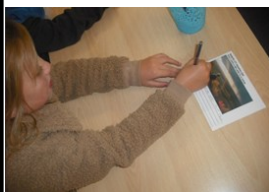


We have settled into the new academic year, it is hard to believe that we are half way through term 1 already. Thank you to all of the parents and carers who attended our Information sessions after school over the last couple of weeks. I hope these were helpful in understanding more about your child's curriculum, routines and ways to support them at home. Thank you to the teachers for planning and leading the sessions as we continue to work in partnership as a school and family to ensure that the children's learning and primary school experiences are the best they can be.

Next Thursday, we will celebrate Harvest during Mass in the Church at 9.30am—all are very welcome to join us as we give thanks. Thank you for your donations to Medway Food Bank and CAFOD last week, your generosity is always appreciated!

Class of the Week Year 2

We have really enjoyed celebrating Noah Day in Year 2! We talked about God's covenant to the people, as well as how a rainbow is a symbol of hope.



We created a sight psalm about rainbows, we shared how thankful we are for God's gifts to us!



We went on Walk for Creation, we walked two-by-two just like the animals did going into Noah's Ark!

During our walk we also talked about how we are being like Poppy the Pōpokotea and putting people most in need first by donating to the Medway Food Bank.



We created some rainbow clouds to show our bonds to 7!



We learnt a Liturgical dance for the song *Laudato si', o mi signore* which means Praise be to you, my Lord thinking of Stewardship, like Sofia the Sloth.



Noah Day

On Wednesday we celebrated our first Noah Day! The GIFT team led a celebration of the word to help everyone understand their role in caring for creation, following the example of St. Francis of Assisi. Each class completed learning on the theme throughout the day, followed by a lovely family picnic. All the children, staff and families had the opportunity to use the grounds, the holy garden and our school chapel.



Little Way Week

Next week is Little Way Week, a week when we learn from the example of St. Therese of Lisieux. St Therese decided to do little acts of kindness for others so that she could share God's love with them. The GIFT team will lead a celebration of the word on Monday for all of the children, to help them reflect on little acts of kindness they could do for others during Little Way Week, and beyond.

The GIFT team will also lead a "kindness flowers" activity during lunch times throughout the week, to help the other children recognise and celebrate little acts of kindness that they witness each day.



Class Attendance 2025/26

Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
100%	96.7%	98.1%	96.8%	99.3%	92.7%	92.9%



Birthdays

Tomisin	age 11
Scarlett	age 5
Theo	age 5
Aaron	age 6
Elizabeth	age 8
Noah	age 7
Kiari	age 6
Diane	age 9
Lottie	age 6



Book of Excellence

Year R	Imogene and Isaac
Year 1	Karma-Elle and Finley
Year 2	Quinn and Michael
Year 3	Jordan and Phoenix
Year 4	Levison and Lewis
Year 5	Chikamso and Sophia
Year 6	Rosie and Shantel



Lunchtime Supervisors Award

Year R	Sienna
Year 1	Koko
Year 2	Samantha
Year 3	Harnoor
Year 4	Joey
Year 5	Adam
Year 6	Gloria



School Values Kindness Award

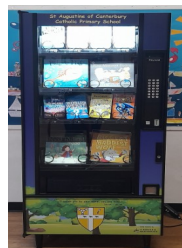
Year R	Euan
Year 1	Lottie
Year 2	Noah
Year 3	Faye
Year 4	Cherryice
Year 5	Amelia
Year 6	Sawyer



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	Annalise-Morayo
Year 1	Octavian-Maximus
Year 2	Emily
Year 3	Maisie
Year 4	Oliver
Year 5	Samson
Year 6	Carlos



Dates for your diary

October—Month of the Holy Rosary

- 2 October** Harvest Mass in the Church 9.30am
- 10 October** Hello Yellow Day—children invited to wear yellow in exchange for a donation to Young Minds
- 15 October** 2026 Year R New Intake Tour 2pm
- 17 October** Last day of term 1
- 17 October** Non-Uniform Day to support PTA funds
- 17 October** PTA meeting in school 2.45pm
- 27 October** INSET day children not in school
- 28 October** First day of Term 2
- 3 November** School photos
- 5 November** 2026 Year R New Intake Tour 2pm
- 5 November** Parents Evening 4pm—7pm
- 6 November** Flu Vaccinations all day—more information to follow
- 10 November** Anti-Bullying Week
- 12 November** Parents Evening 4pm—7pm
- 14 November** Children in Need Day—more details to follow
- 14 November** PTA meeting in school 2.45pm
- 21 November** Jubilee Day—more information to follow
- 28 November** PTA meeting in school 2.45pm
- 3 December** PTA meeting in school 2.45pm
- 4 December** Advent Mass in the Church 9.30am
- 4 December** 2026 Year R New Intake Tour 2pm
- 5 December** School Disco after school
- 8 December** Years 1 and 2 Nativity 2.30pm
- 9 December** Years 1 and 2 Nativity 2.30pm
- 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
- 16 December** Year R Nativity 2.30pm
- 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

Parent Governor

Just a reminder that the closing date for applications for Parent Governor is Monday 29th September. Please see the Parentmail sent to parents and carers for details.



Summer Reading Challenge

All of the children who took part in the Summer Reading Challenge and brought their certificate in for our display received a sticker today. Very well done to all of the children who took part!

The names of the children who took part were put into a raffle and the winner received a Reading Vending Machine token.

Well done Ewaoluwa who won the raffle!



Month of the Rosary

October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary, with the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary celebrated on 7th October.

As shared in the newsletter last week, there is a sign up form on Parentmail to join Fr Peter in the Chapel before school on the following dates: **3 October, 13 October, 17 October and 31 October—8.45am—8.55am.**

If you would like to sign up to one or more of the sessions, the form is still available through Parentmail.

House Points

St. Andrew

897

St. David

953

St. George

1056

St. Patrick

860

