



Saint Augustine Webster Catholic Voluntary Academy

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Welcome back!

A new school year inevitably brings change and this year is no different. Last term we said farewell to Mrs Porter and wished her good luck in her new job. This term we have welcomed Mrs Drury and Mr Murphy to our school family and hope they will be very happy with us.

This term we have already bid yet another farewell, to Father Eddy. We hope that he will be very happy in his new job and that he remembers us. He will be missed a great deal.

We are very much looking forward to getting to know Father Neil Peoples and hope that he will be very

New starters

As well as new members of staff, Mrs Drury and Mr Murphy, we welcome all the children who have joined us from Nursery to Year 6. We hope they will be very happy with us. We also warmly welcome their families to our community.

happy in his new role at Holy Souls.

Further ahead we are looking towards new developments in our Multi Academy Trust. As you know, we are currently part of the Northern Lincolnshire Catholic Academy Trust (NoLCAT). As part of the Bishop's plan for education in the Nottingham Diocese, there will be four larger academy trusts. This means that NoLCAT will merge with the Lincolnshire trust, St Gilbert of Sempringham to form a new Trust which will be named the St Therese of Lisieux Catholic Multi-Academy Trust.

Further information will be available on our website shortly and we will keep you updated as developments occur.

If there any queries or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact school. At Saint Augustine Webster we believe in positive relationships and working in partnership.



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Term Dates

- ☺ 5th Sept term begins
- ☺ 8th Sept whole school Mass
- ☺ 20th Sept St Bede's Open Evening
- ☺ 21st Sept Peace Day
- ☺ 27th Sept 2A assembly 9am
- ☺ 29th Sept 5D assembly 3pm
- ☺ 6th Oct Briars retreat
- ☺ 18th Oct F2/KS1 Harvest Festival
- ☺ 19th Oct Parents' Evening
- ☺ 20th Oct KS2 Harvest Festival reflection
- ☺ 20th Oct school closes for half term
- ☺ 31st Oct school reopens



Harvest Festival

We will be having two Harvest celebrations this term. Key Stage 1 will be celebrating on 18th October at 2.30pm Key Stage 2 will be celebrating on 20th October.

Any kind donations of tinned or packet food will be very welcome. Donations will be given to the Forge to provide meals for the poor and homeless in Scunthorpe, a worthy cause. Please give generously.



Class assemblies

You are welcome to attend your child's class assembly which starts at 3pm

27.09.17 2A

29.09.17 2C

10.11.17 4H

13.11.17 1P

Masses

You are welcome to attend class Masses which start at 2pm

16.11.17 6L

08.09.17 10.00am Whole school Mass for the new school year

01.11.17 2pm Whole school Mass for All Saints

7.12.17 Whole school Advent Mass

Year 6 Visit to the Briars

On 6th October our Year 6 children travelled to the Diocesan Youth Centre in Crich, Derbyshire for the weekend. The Briars team made everyone welcome regardless of faith background. The weekend is an opportunity for prayer, reflection, games and team building activities. The Briars team members made the experience relevant, memorable

and spiritually uplifting for all. The children particularly enjoyed their 'Design a disciple' activities! The school subsidises this visit so that all children can enjoy this experience which also helps to prepare for the year ahead. Many thanks to all the staff who gave up their weekend and worked hard to enable this to happen.



Parents' Evening



Meet the teacher!

Many thanks to all those who made time in hectic schedules to attend Parents' Evening. It is so important to establish that children have settled into their new class. Please do not hesitate to contact school if you have any further concerns.

Rules and Routines

Soft Start

This term the new approach to starting school has gone down very well. Children have settled into their morning routine marvelously and learning time has been maximised. Children may enter school from 8.50am with doors closing at 9.00am.



PE

Key Stage 1 and 2 only

Indoor

- White polo shirt
- Black shorts
- Plimsolls

Outdoor

- White polo shirt
- Plain black joggers / tracksuit bottoms
- Plain black sweatshirt
- Trainers

Packed lunches

Great care is taken in the planning and preparation of school lunches and we ask parents to do the same when providing packed lunches. The health and well being of children is of paramount importance to us. There are many children in school with severe allergies and therefore nuts or nut products are forbidden. In the interests of healthy eating, sweets and fizzy drinks are not permitted in packed lunches. Crisps and cakes may be included as 'sometimes' foods. Please try to provide a balanced meal including fresh fruit or vegetables. Please contact the school if you need advice on healthy options.



Healthy attitudes!

Uniform Code

Foundation children

- White polo shirt
- Royal blue jumper / cardigan
- Grey trousers / skirt / pinafore
- Girls - white socks / grey tights
- Boys - grey socks
- Black shoes

Key Stage 1 and 2

- White shirt and school tie
- Royal blue jumper / cardigan
- Grey trousers / skirt / pinafore
- Girls - white socks / grey tights
- Boys - grey socks
- Black shoes

Please ensure that your child always has a warm and waterproof coat. Outdoor learning is important.

Please remember to label all items of clothing.

At Saint Augustine Webster we believe that smartly dressed children reflect a disciplined approach to school and sets a tone for good behaviour and respectful attitudes. Nail polish, tattoos, extreme hairstyles or large hair decorations have never been permitted. Please keep to plain hair bands etc, preferably in school colours. Furthermore, children should not wear jewellery, **especially earrings**. It is disappointing to see children who have recently had their ears pierced. Any children arriving at school wearing earrings will be asked to remove them. No children should be wearing earrings or plasters on their ears after half term.

Safeguarding



Home time

Parents of children in Foundation or KS1 must authorise adults to collect their children. Any changes in arrangements must be put in writing. Parents of children in KS2 must inform the school in writing if they wish their child to walk home by himself / herself.

Car Parking

As always I ask that you park safely and courteously, respecting our neighbours and being aware of pedestrians. Children learn from the example we set. Disabled access is available via the drive but not between 8.45am & 9.00am and 3.15pm & 3.45pm. This is to ensure the safety of children walking along Baildon Road.

Bikes and Scooters

If your child brings a bike or scooter to school please remind them to walk it through the playground to avoid accidents. This will ensure the safety of small children in the playground at busy times.

Parent Behaviour

Please do not, under any circumstances, approach a child on the playground regarding school incidents. This will be treated as a serious safeguarding matter. Children should feel safe and not intimidated. Parental concerns will always be listened to. Please address concerns to the class teacher or a member of the Senior leadership Team for more serious matters.

Holy Souls



First Holy Communion

Parents of children in Year 3 or above who wish to receive first Holy Communion in May 2018 may collect an enrolment form from Father Neil at Holy Souls Church at any time up to 2nd November. There will be a meeting at Holy Souls on 2nd November at 7.30pm for parents. The enrolment Mass will be on 26th November.

Church visits

Our visits to Holy Souls to celebrate Mass have been extremely joyous occasions and we would love to continue on a termly basis. The benefits of these visits are many and foster a real sense of belonging to our Church family. I understand that many parents have had misgivings but rest assured we plan carefully to ensure the safety of the children.

Charity

We will continue to support a range of good causes during the Autumn term as we usually do. This is a very real way we can help children to understand the needs of others. We will be raising money for the Forge, the shoebox appeal, the Poppy appeal, Children in Need and Haven of Hope. Further details will be given as appropriate. Please support us whenever you can.

Pantomime

This year's pantomime will be Robin Hood, performed at the Baths Hall for the first time. As usual the school has reserved a performance on Friday 22nd December at 7pm. Tickets cost £9.75. Please contact the school office to reserve tickets with your payment. Tickets are limited to 170.

