

# St. Augustine's Catholic Primary School



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Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to thank you once again for your outstanding commitment and support for all that we do to provide the best for all the children in our care. Your ongoing partnership and involvement are vital to our school's continued success. The children's success in all aspects of assessment - Early Years Profiles, Phonics screening, Y2 SATs, Y4 Multiplication Tables tests and Y6 SATs - recognises the hard work and dedication of all members of staff in our school. Without the superb teamwork displayed by every member of staff, our children could not achieve and fulfil their potential as they show us every day. May I thank you sincerely for the many gifts and cards we have received this week - your enduring kindness and generosity to us all are overwhelming and we are genuinely grateful.

Attendance, or lack of it, has become a concern for several families. From September, new government guidelines will be in place and families may find automatic fines being imposed if holidays are taken in term time. Regular attendance is crucial to ensure that children are settled and able to make steady progress in all aspects of school life. Sadly, families who take children out of school for reasons other than illness or serious family circumstances have prevented us from reaching our goal of 96%+ over the year. Children do suffer as a result of unauthorised absences and find it very difficult to catch up on lost learning.

As we say "Goodbye" to our Y6 children and those younger children starting in a new school in September, we are confident that they will continue to try to do their very best in all things. We pray that the Lord will guide and protect them and their families and keep them in his loving care.

We also say "Goodbye" to Mrs Clayton and Mrs Akther who are leaving us to take up new appointments in September. We give thanks for all they have shared with us during their time at St Augustine's.

We wish Miss Garratt and her fiancé a wonderful wedding day and look forward to welcoming Miss Garratt in September as Mrs Ceney!

As always, if you have any concerns at all and need to contact us, please do so at your earliest convenience. The best e-mail address to use during the holiday will be: [a.mcgrath@staugust.bham.sch.uk](mailto:a.mcgrath@staugust.bham.sch.uk)

I wish you all a happy, peaceful holiday with your families and look forward to welcoming you all again on **Tuesday 03 September 2024**.

God bless

*Mrs. M. M. Stanley*

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