

St Augustine's Catholic Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people.

# St Augustine's Catholic Primary School

## Week ending Friday 02 May 2025



May is the  
Month  
of Mary



Live, Love and Learn with Jesus

### THE WEDNESDAY WORD

Special word of the week is:

**"WITNESS"**

After his resurrection, Jesus appeared to his disciples for the third time. The disciples had been out fishing and as soon as they came ashore they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." After the meal Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these others do?" He answered, "Yes, Lord, you know I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He replied, "Yes, Lord, you know I love you." Jesus said to him, "Look after my sheep." Then he said to him a third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter said, "Lord, you know everything; you know I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep."

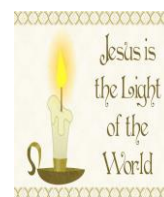
**John 21: 1-19**



### THIS WEEK'S NEWS

As we mourn the death of Pope Francis, we look forward with him in hope for a better world.

### REQUIESCAT IN PACE



Football Club will continue for Y3 & Y4 until 14 May. Club will then be for Y5 & Y6 from 21 May.

Y3 children are looking forward to their visit to St Mary's Convent next Wednesday.

The new IT Club group will start sessions from Thursday 08 May.

Y6 Breakfast Club will be for one week at 08:30 from 12 May.

Your early calls and e-mails are much appreciated.  
We need to know before 09:00 if your child is  
unable to attend. 0121 554 5069

**This week's attendance: 88%**

**Chicken pox and other viral illnesses are still notably affecting attendance.**

**We need everyone in school every day when you are well.**

### SAFEGUARDING



**Unauthorised absence can be regarded as neglect.**

Absence due to holidays and family visits in term time **ARE NOT AUTHORISED.** Make sure you book visits in school holidays.



Unauthorised absences in term time are now subject to the possibility of fines.

**Five families have taken unauthorised leave for holidays this week.**

**Please see p3 for guidance.**

## MESSAGES FROM CLASS TEACHERS

<b>Nursery</b>	Nursery children have been learning about Spring and everything related to it, from plants to animals. The children have spent more time outside exploring the environment.
<b>Reception</b>	In Reception class this week, we have been learning about the Resurrection of Jesus. We have created some fabulous artwork to reflect this.
<b>Year One</b>	What a fabulous first few days back! Year 1 loved their special workshop with Birmingham Royal Ballet and we are delighted that 11 children have been invited to attend another audition.
<b>Year Two</b>	We have enjoyed reading 'The Incredible Book Eating Boy' by Oliver Jeffers and have made some great predictions about how the story might end.
<b>Year Three</b>	This week in Y3, we have been learning about Jesus' Resurrection. We are now working extra hard preparing for our First Holy Communion on 14 June.
<b>Year Four</b>	This week in Y4, we have been exploring different kinds of measures and learning about special journeys in the poem 'Windrush Child' by John Agard.
<b>Year Five</b>	Welcome back Year 5! We are looking forward to a successful term with lots of exciting work and special activities.
<b>Year Six</b>	Keep up the hard work Year 6 - not long to go now until your special assessment week! Keep aiming for the very best and you will be amazing. Remember to return all letters and forms.



Speed Sounds Set 2



### Reception

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### Year One

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### Year Two

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## **ACTIONS RELEVANT TO ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL**

**Please note the following information in guidance issued by Birmingham City Council:**

### **When may a penalty notice for absence be appropriate?**

When a school becomes aware that the national threshold has been met, they must consider whether a penalty notice can and should be issued or not. The national threshold has been met when a pupil has been recorded as absent for 10 sessions (usually equivalent to 5 school days) within 10 school weeks, with one of, or a combination of the following codes:

- (a) code G (the pupil is absent without authorisation for the purpose of leave in term time),
- (b) code O (none of the other rows of Table 3 in regulation 10(3) of the School Attendance (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2024 applies), and
- (c) code U (the pupil attended after the taking of the register ended but before the end of the session, where no other code applies)

**Birmingham City Council will consider issuing penalty notices within the national framework in the following circumstances:**

- **Ongoing unauthorised absence - When:**

- a pupil has had a minimum of 10 sessions of unauthorised absence within a period of 10 school weeks;
- a school or place of alternative educational provision has completed the relevant attendance procedure and;
- despite that procedure being followed by the school/alternative provision, there has been little improvement in the pupil's attendance; or a notice to improve has been issued but there has been no improvement over a six-week period.

- **Unauthorised Leave in Term Time - When:**

- a pupil has been taken on an unauthorised "leave of absence" from school (code G) or a place of alternative educational provision for minimum of 10 continuous sessions (five days) and;
- the school or place of alternative educational provision have followed the relevant local authority legal intervention process; a penalty notice may be issued.

## **PLEASE NOTE**

**If repeated penalty notices are being issued and they are not working to change behaviour they are unlikely to be most appropriate tool. The national framework for penalty notices sets out that a maximum of 2 penalty notices per child, per parent can be issued within a rolling 3-year period. If the national threshold is met for a third time (or subsequent times) within 3 years, the local authority will consider direct prosecution under section 444 (1) of the Education Act 1996.**

**Though not a requirement of the framework, the Local Authority may, in cases of high levels of unauthorised absence including where unauthorised leave in term time of 30 school days or more has been taken, decide not to issue a Penalty Notice, but instead prosecute the parent under sections 444(1) or 444(1A) of the Act.**