



FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Remembering Miss Woodley (Kim)

With immense sadness, I share that our much-loved school cook, Miss Woodley—known to us all as Kim—passed away on Thursday morning. Kim cared for generations of children with kindness, warmth and a smile. She will be greatly missed.

As a Catholic family, we will be Compassionate and Loving. Please keep Kim and her family in your prayers. May she rest in peace. Amen.

Mrs M Stanley • Headteacher

FAMILY FOCUS

With heartfelt condolences

I am deeply saddened by the loss of Kim, who brought such warmth, care and kindness to our school family. My heartfelt condolences go to Kim's family, friends and everyone whose life she touched.

Please reach out if your child needs support. Together, let us be Compassionate and Loving: listening, comforting one another and keeping Kim in our prayers.

Mrs R Warren • Interim Deputy Headteacher

THE WEDNESDAY WORD THIS WEEK IS CHANGE



MATTHEW
21:28–32

Jesus tells of a father who asks his two sons to work in his vineyard. The first says “No” but later changes his mind and goes. The second says “Yes” but does not go.

Jesus asks which son did what the father wanted. The answer is clear: the one who changed for the better and acted.

Each new day is a fresh chance to change. God helps us match kind words with loving actions and become more like Jesus.

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME • YEAR A • ADAPTED FROM MATTHEW 21:28–32

PRAY

Lord Jesus, help us change for the better and do what is right.

REFLECT

What is one choice our family could improve this week?

ACT

Put one good promise into action straight away.

FAMILY CHALLENGE

Choose one family habit to change for the better—and encourage one another kindly.

PRAY TOGETHER

Loving God, help us listen, change our hearts and turn good words into loving actions. Amen.

THE ST AUGUSTINE'S FAMILY HUB

Everything families need for a brilliant week

★ ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS

Every class is working towards becoming St Augustine's Attendance Champion.

Exciting new attendance incentives for pupils and families are coming soon. More will be revealed over the next two weeks—watch this space!

REWARD MENU:

Extra play • Movie afternoon • Hot chocolate & biscuits • Games afternoon • Mystery reward

SCHOOL	THIS WEEK'S WINNERS	TARGET
97%	Year 4	97%

IMPORTANT ATTENDANCE INFORMATION

During the summer period, **20 families** received penalty notices in relation to unauthorised absence. Holidays during term time will not normally be authorised. Supporting evidence may be requested where appropriate, including medical letters, appointment evidence, printed prescription evidence, flight/travel details or passports.

★ MATHS MATTERS

Fluency grows through short, joyful practice.

[White Rose 1-Minute Maths](#) • [Topmarks](#)

[Hit the Button](#) • [Numbots](#)

[Times Tables Rock Stars](#) • [NRICH Primary](#)

[ICT Games](#)

FAMILY CHALLENGE

10 minutes reading + 10 minutes maths.
Every day.

Little and often beats a last-minute rush.
Celebrate accuracy, effort and perseverance.

Does someone in your household receive Universal Credit? Your child may qualify for Free School Meals—even if another parent works. Please ask the office to check.

Need practical or emotional support? Contact the office or speak to Mrs R Warren, DSL. We are here to help.

★ READ EVERY DAY

10 MINUTES A DAY CAN CHANGE A CHILD'S FUTURE!

Every child should read for a minimum of 10 minutes every evening.

- Read aloud or independently every day.
- Record reading in the reading diary.
- Ask: What happened? Why? What might happen next?
- Notice and discuss exciting new vocabulary.
- Praise effort—confidence grows one page at a time.

READ • TALK •
WONDER •
GROW



★ SAFEGUARDING SPOTLIGHT

THIS WEEK: BULLYING—BE KIND. SPEAK UP.

- Bullying is repeated, deliberate behaviour that hurts, frightens or excludes.
- Reporting is brave—not “telling tales”. Tell a trusted adult.
- Save evidence of online messages; do not reply or forward them.
- Be an upstander: include, support and report.
- Share concerns with your class teacher.

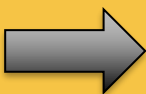
BE KIND. BE
BRAVE. SPEAK
UP.

SAFE • SEEN •
INCLUDED



Some children have **severe allergies**. Please do not send products containing nuts into school, remind children not to share food, and help us keep everyone safe—an everyday act of Catholic care.

ALLERGY AWARE



ATTEND
EVERY DAY

READ
EVERY DAY

PRAY
EVERY DAY

BE KIND
EVERY DAY

Ten to nine—looking fine and right on time!

EVERY CHILD. EVERY GIFT. EVERY DAY.

CELEBRATING LEARNING

The people, progress and moments that made us smile



NURSERY

Settling beautifully into routines, sharing resources and approaching each new adventure with growing confidence.

YEAR 3

Well done for confident swimming on Wednesday. Thank you for careful listening and brilliant organisation.

RECEPTION

Building friendships, listening carefully and exploring early learning with curiosity, courage and joy. Remember to use the links below on our newsletter to practise your RWI sounds every evening.

YEAR 4

Rising to every challenge, contributing thoughtful ideas and producing imaginative work with great care.

YEAR 1

Showing brilliant listening, growing independence and real pride in careful, thoughtful work.

YEAR 5

Showing maturity, perseverance and responsibility for reading, homework and every challenge.

YEAR 2

Enthusiastic learning, kind teamwork and increasingly confident explanations.

YEAR 6

Amazing RE work on Laudato Si', sin, temptation and caring for God's creation.

POSITIVE STORY OF THE WEEK

A moment of joy, courage, kindness or discovery from around the world this week.



FAITH, FOOTBALL AND FRIENDSHIP

Year 5 pupils from eight Catholic primary schools formed mixed teams representing Catholic charities. By welcoming new friends, working together and caring for others, they showed how sport can spread the love of Jesus through kindness, friendship and service. [Faith and football: Team Missio lift the trophy!](#)

YEAR GROUP NOTICEBOARD

YEAR 3 SWIMMING • EVERY WEDNESDAY

- Swimming kit
- Towel
- Named bag

Please label every item clearly.

HOMEWORK & FORMS

Homework: tasks, spellings, tables & nightly reading.

Forms: return medical/data forms.

PE: READY TO MOVE

Thank you for remembering the correct PE kit!

PE DAYS

- Rec = Wednesday
- Y1 = Tuesday & Friday
- Y2 = Tuesday & Thursday
- Y3 = Monday & Tuesday
- Y4 = Monday & Thursday
- Y5 = Thursday & Friday
- Y6 = Wednesday

PLAIN KIT

- White T-shirt
- Black/navy shorts
- Black/navy joggers, tracksuit or hoodie
- Trainers or pumps

No branded sportswear required

No football kits

STAR VOCABULARY

Five words to use around the family table

COMPASSION caring when someone suffers

UPSTANDER safely speaks up

COURAGE doing what is right

INCLUSION everyone belongs

EMPATHY understanding feelings



READ WRITE INC AT HOME

Five short videos for each year group—click and practise together.

RECEPTION [1](#) [2](#) [3](#) [4](#) [5](#)

YEAR 1 [1](#) [2](#) [3](#) [4](#) [5](#)

YEAR 2 [1](#) [2](#) [3](#) [4](#) [5](#)

VALUES & VIRTUES

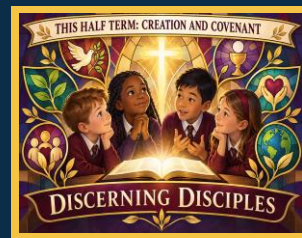
COMPASSIONATE • LOVING
Notice who needs comfort and show them they are not alone.

NEED HELP?

Please speak to us.

OUR FAITH IN ACTION

Christ at the centre • Hope in our hearts • Service in our hands



SAINT OF THE WEEK

SAINT AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY

COURAGE TO GO • HUMILITY TO LISTEN • FAITH TO SERVE

Sent by Pope Gregory the Great, Augustine arrived in Kent in 597 to share the Gospel. He listened, built friendships and became the first Archbishop of Canterbury.

THIS WEEK'S CHALLENGE

Welcome someone, listen well and let one kind action share the love of Jesus.

A FAMILY PRAYER

*Loving Jesus,
help us change for the better, welcome those
who feel alone and speak with courage when
something is wrong. Bless our homes, our
parish and all who need hope.
Amen.*

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

DIGNITY OF THE HUMAN PERSON

Every person is made in the image of God and deserves respect. At school this means listening, including others, to use kind words and speaking up when something is wrong.

OUR VALUES & VIRTUES

COMPASSIONATE • LOVING

We notice sadness, offer comfort and care for one another. This week, we pray especially for Kim, her family and our school community.



PARISH NEWS • FR GEORGE

**St Augustine's Catholic Church,
Avenue Road**

Sunday Mass • 9.30am & 11.00am

Confession • Saturday 10.30am

Benediction • Saturday 10.30–11.00am

***This Sunday is the World Day of
Migrants and Refugees. Everyone is
warmly invited to Mass as we pray for
children and families seeking safety
and welcome.***

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HOPE

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FOR OUR CHILDREN • FOR OUR FAMILIES

FAMILY OPPORTUNITIES

DANCE • WELLBEING • CONNECTION

SWAN
LAKE

£18

PER TICKET

EXCLUSIVE DANCE TRACK COMMUNITY OFFER

Birmingham Royal Ballet is offering Dance Track pupils, their families and school staff tickets for Swan Lake at the reduced price of £18 each.

Tickets are limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis, so please book as soon as possible.

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