St Augustine's News



Newsletter 4

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Harvest Mass



This will be led by Yr 5 next Friday at 9am. Please send in any harvest gifts during the week which we can then

donate to Soul Food for the homeless.

Yr 6 Assembly

Year 6 are presenting their assembly next Wednesday $16^{\rm th}$ at 9am. Parents and friends most welcome.

Book Fair



Thank you for all the interest in the Book Fair last week - it was lovely to see all the children getting so excited about books! All the commission money will be used to

buy some new books for the school library.

Book Cover Competition

Well done to everyone who took part - the entries will be used to decorate our library. The winners were: YR Lola, Y1 Nicole, Y3 Amelia and Ashleigh, Y4 Freya, Y5 Archie, Y6 Nathan.

Time for Parents

The programme, led by Lester Yeo, begins on Monday 14 October from 1.45-3.15 p.m.

Cold Weather



With the weather being so cold. We are still having a lot of children coming to school without a coat. Please ensure

your child has a coat every day or we will not be able to let them go outside in the cold weather.

FOSA

Thank you for all your donations for the cake sale today - the money raised will help us towards some exciting FOSA projects.



Term-Time Absence

As you may know, the government has changed the law regarding attendance at school from this September and no absence will be authorised except in very exceptional circumstances. The Governing Body appointed Mr Vernon Palmer as our Attendance Governor and he will be in school every week to monitor individual attendance rates with Mrs Williams. Any future applications for absence during term-time will now be sent to Mr Palmer who will need to interview parents to ascertain that the application meets the criteria for exceptional circumstances. If they do not, he will not be able to authorise the absence. The government is underlining to all of us that every day missed from school affects a child's education and life chances.

Arriving at School

We have a group of children who are arriving at school far too early in the morning. We expect children to arrive between 8.40 and 9am, not before this. If for any reason you need to drop your child off earlier, they must be booked into Allsorts Breakfast Club.

Sports News



Year 3 and 4 girls took part in the 5a-side Football Festival at Redlands last week. They all played extremely

well and enjoyed themselves. Well done to our team of Freya, Tilly, Tess, Alicja and Ashleigh.

Our netball team played the first match of this year's junior league and won 23-1 against Bincombe Valley. Congratulations to our team of Isabel, Phoebe, Jaimee, Sophie, Romilly, Morgan and Mia and thank you to coach Kelly Browne and Nicki Pering for organising.