



# St Augustine's Academy Newsletter

## 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024



### Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

It has been an incredibly busy but rewarding week in school with staff and pupils taking part in an amazing array of events and activities.

Included in this newsletter you will hear about our energetic visit by Magical Maths, Year 4's amazing samba drumming performance and Year 5 from Hadrian Academy visiting our Year 5 class as part of the Schools Linking Network.



On Wednesday, it was our annual Governors' Day where Governors visited our school to talk with staff and pupils, see learning in action and take part in Collective Worship. In the photograph above, you can see our Governors meeting with our school council where they asked them a wide range of questions about our school.

I also had a wonderful opportunity this week as I was invited to attend an event at the House of Lords hosted by Whole Education. At the event, I was able to share views on a range of educational issues with educational professionals from around England. It was a privilege to be able to attend on behalf of our school and the Schools of Tomorrow Fellowship.

Easter is quickly approaching and next week we will be looking forward to our Easter celebrations in school. Until then, have an enjoyable weekend.



Best wishes

Amanda Howes - Headteacher

### Vocabulary Velociraptors - Science

The school has been celebrating Science during the last 2 weeks. As part of their Vocabulary Velociraptor learning (and British Science Week) the children conducted a range of Science investigations on the theme of 'Time'. They then produced posters to showcase their learning and some of them can be seen in the photographs below. Well done everyone!



**'Let your light shine before others that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.' Matthew 5:16**



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## Year 5 – Linking Schools network



The Schools Linking Network brings schools together enabling them to form friendships and develop strong community bonds.

Year 5 are linked with Year 5 from Hadrian Academy and today Hadrian pupils visited our school. The children completed a range of Maths and Science based challenges as well as taking part in an exciting games lesson with our new sports coach, Mr Simpson. The children have already begun to form firm friendships and are looking forward to their reciprocal visit to Hadrian Academy next term.

## Magical Maths



This week, Magical Maths were invited into school to provide taster sessions about the extra-curricular provision they offer.

Children will have brought home a leaflet from Magical Maths this week so, please look out for it in your children's book bags if you have not seen it already.

## Kids in Action

COME AND JOIN US AT KIDS IN ACTION  
FOR AN EASTER EXTRAVAGANZA  
DURING THE EASTER HOLIDAYS

<b>Tuesday 2nd April</b>	<b>Tuesday 9th April</b>
<b>Thursday 4th April</b>	<b>Thursday 11th April</b>
<b>Saturday 6th April</b>	<b>Saturday 13th April</b>

**10AM-3PM**  
Kids in Action Unit 26 Apex Business  
Centre, Boscombe Road, Dunstable,  
LU5 4SB

Please call 01582 477762  
for more information

No need to book - just turn  
up and join in the fun!!!



## Celebration



### CONGRATULATIONS to the following children.

Our Stars of the Week are...

Year 1 – Frankie  
Year 2 – Beau  
Year 3 – Archie  
Year 4 – Eddie  
Year 5 – Laelia  
Year 6 – Bathujan

Our 'SELF' Pupils of the Week for,  
"When should I ask for help?" are...

Year 1 – Harmony  
Year 2 – Anaya  
Year 3 – Filip  
Year 4 – Angel-May  
Year 5 – Genesis  
Year 6 – Alan



Our Vocabulary Velociraptors are...

Year 1 – Johan  
Year 2 – Gracie-Mae  
Year 3 – Antoni  
Year 4 – Lily  
Year 5 – Brian  
Year 6 – Nela/Willow



Our Attendance Bear Winner this week is...



The House Point totals this week are...



## Year 4 Samba Drumming



Children in Year 4 gave a rousing performance to their parents and carers this week following on from their samba drumming lessons with Inspiring Music. The children have thoroughly enjoyed their lessons and have gained a good sense of rhythm and beat as a result. Well done Year 4. You were amazing!

## Diary Dates

Mon. 25 <sup>th</sup> Mar.	2:30pm – Year 3 Performance – Parents and Carers are invited to attend.
Wed. 27 <sup>th</sup> Mar.	Last Day of Term
Mon. 15 <sup>th</sup> Apr.	Children Return to School SWIMMING POOL ON SITE FOR 3 WEEKS
Thu. 18 <sup>th</sup> Apr.	EYFS Vision Screening
Mon. 22 <sup>nd</sup> Apr.	Vocabulary Velociraptor Art Week Class Photographs

Sometimes we have to change diary dates due to circumstances beyond our control. Please keep checking the school diary regularly for updates.

*For more information please get in touch.*

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arts@hotmail.com  
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*<http://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/holiday-activities>*



**BOOK NOW**

## **SING DANCE ACT**

**Performing Arts Easter extravaganza**

**Obtain your E-voucher from your child's school.**

**Larkrise  
Academy  
Linslade  
Lower School  
Watling Lower  
School**



**10am-3pm Provides FREE meals and spectacular performing arts provision within Central beds.**

**2nd-5th April 8th-11th April**

