

St Augustine of Canterbury Catholic Primary School

"I called you by your name, you are mine." Isaiah 43

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Newsletter

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Our school value this
term is: kindness

Be Kind



We have come to the end of a very busy term! We hope you have a restful and enjoyable half term break. See you all on the 28th October (27th October is an INSET Day)

School Website

We are delighted to launch a new school website which has gone live today. Please take a minute to have a look. As you can imagine with new systems, we are currently updating areas across the new site, so please bear with us if there are any technical difficulties or items missing.

Parking again!

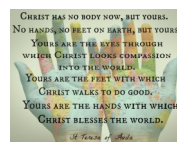
Unfortunately, we have received more complaints from local residents regarding the inconsiderate and unsafe parking by parents and carers at drop off and pick up times.

We are proud of our school and feel privileged to be part of our special local community. As a school, we want to exist together with our local residents in a caring, courteous and respectful manner. I have previously shared concerns and complaints shared by our local residents regarding the parking and conduct of parents when dropping off and collecting children. We receive phone calls and emails from local residents describing parking on grass verges, in front of driveways and being discourteous with local residents. I am grateful to those parents and carers who are kind and respectful towards local residents and I am sure you are in the majority, however, sadly this is not the case with all of our parents and carers.

As a school and home partnership, we share a responsibility to teach our children to be positive and respectful members of our wider community. Therefore, I am asking again, please remember to park and walk safely to school and treat our local residents, who are our neighbours, with respect.

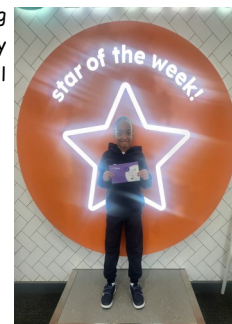
GIFT Team

On Wednesday, the original and new members of the GIFT team took part in a formation morning in the school chapel. Starting with a guided meditation, the children reflected on their role as GIFT team members, drawing on the example of St. Theresa of Avila, whose Feast day was on Wednesday 15th October. The GIFT team members received a beautiful cross pin badge as a symbol of their active role in planning, leading and evaluating prayer and liturgy within the school.



Achievement outside of School

Congratulations to Nathan for achieving level 3 swimming. He has worked very hard for the past nine months! Well done!



Class of the Week - Year 5

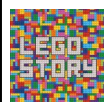
In Science we have been learning about Materials and their properties. This week we were testing the temperature when dissolving materials. In each team, one person measured the water and sugar, one person was the stirrer and the final person used the class timer to record the time taken.



In Science we did an experiment about dissolving. The cold water was 18 degrees, the warm water was 31 degrees and the hot water was 55 degrees. The hot water was the fastest dissolving to make a solution. All of the experiments are fun and we enjoy Science.

Written by Alex and Afraa We have been busy drafting our own information texts on the history of Lego. We have made research notes, spent time looking at example information texts and planning vocabulary.

Written by Hayley and Tomás



Wedding Congratulations!

Congratulations to Miss Richardson who is getting married tomorrow! We would like to wish Miss Richardson and Mr West a wonderful wedding day and best wishes for their future together. When we return after the half term break, Miss Richardson will be Mrs Richardson-West.



Reading Vending Machine

The following children received a token to select a book from our Reading Vending Machine. They were chosen for demonstrating our school values.

Year R: Saint-Jotham

Year 1: Taylor

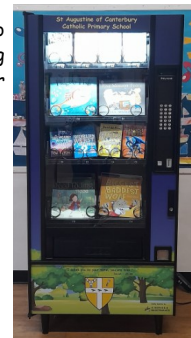
Year 2: Amelia

Year 3: Niall

Year 4: Ayana

Year 5: Afraa

Year 6: Jessica



Class Attendance 2025/26

Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
99.4%	95.7%	97.9%	98.1%	98.0%	96.8%	97.4%



Birthdays

Charlie-Ray	age 10
Nylah	age 7
Teddy	age 6
Sophia	age 10
Mia	age 8
Isaac	age 8



Book of Excellence

Year R	Holly and Amari
Year 1	Josiah and Evelyn
Year 2	Kasie and Nylah
Year 3	Maisie and Isaac
Year 4	Nini and Oliver
Year 5	Amelia and Safiya
Year 6	Tomisin and Callum



Lunchtime Supervisors Award

Year R	Annalise
Year 1	Karma-Elle
Year 2	Noah
Year 3	Alice
Year 4	Emi
Year 5	Oscar
Year 6	Ella



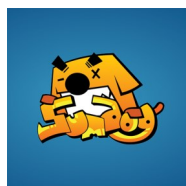
School Values Kindness Award

Year R	Oliver
Year 1	King
Year 2	Quinn
Year 3	Esmee
Year 4	Joey
Year 5	Oscar
Year 6	Avery



Sum Dog Top Dogs!

Year R	Annalise
Year 1	Taylor
Year 2	Amelia
Year 3	Harnoor
Year 4	Timi
Year 5	Omolulu
Year 6	Shantel



WOW

Year 4



Dates for your diary

27 October INSET day children not in school

28 October First day of Term 2

28 October Christmas Card entries returned to school

31 October Rosary in the Chapel with Fr Peter 8.45am—8.55am (please book through Parentmail)

3 November School photos

5 November 2026 Year R New Intake Tour 10am and 2pm

5 November Parents Evening 4pm—7pm

6 November Flu Vaccinations all day—please see details on Parentmail

10 November Anti-Bullying Week

11 November Remembrance Liturgy

12 November Parents/Carers Evening 4pm—7pm in the school hall

14 November Children in Need Day—more details to follow

14 November PTA meeting in school 2.45pm

Week beginning 17 November Road Safety Week

21 November Jubilee Day—more information to follow

28 November PTA meeting in school 2.45pm

3 December PTA meeting in school 2.45pm

3 December Year 6 Kent Life trip

4 December Advent Mass in the Church 9.30am

4 December 2026 Year R New Intake Tour 2pm

5 December School Disco after school (**KS1** 3.30pm—4.15pm **KS2** 4.30pm—5.30pm)

8 December Years 1 and 2 Nativity 2.30pm

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10 December 2026 Year R New Intake Tour 2pm

11 December Christmas Jumper Day in support of Save the Children

11 December Whole School trip to Hazlett Theatre Pantomime

12 December PTA Christmas Fair 3.30pm in the school hall

16 December Year R Nativity 2.30pm

18 December Last Day of Term 2

18 December Junior Carol Service in the Church 2.15pm

19 December INSET Day—children not in school

5 January Term 3 children back to school

6 January Epiphany Mass 9.30am in the Church—all welcome

9 January Year 5 Swimming begins

15 January Year 6 and 6 Height and Weight (more details to follow)

4 February Cyber Security Information Session for Parents/Carers 2.15pm in school (more details and sign up information to follow)

6 February NSPCC Number Day

10 February Safer Internet Day

13 February Last Day of Term 3

23 February First Day of Term 4 Children back to school

27 February Year 4 Swimming begins

Week Beginning 2 March Book Week

4 March Parents/Carers Evening 4pm—7pm

5 March World Book Day (children invited to dress up as a character)

11 March Parents/Carers Evening 4pm—7pm

19 March to 24 March Scholastic Book Fair in the school 3.30pm—3.45pm

31 March Year 4 Easter Reflection

2 April Last Day of Term 4

3 April to 17 April Easter Break

20 April First Day of Term 5

House Points

St. Andrew

2460

St. David

2395

St. George

2571

St. Patrick

2278

