

# St Augustines Nursery Newsletter 2023

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## January

Welcome to our newsletter of the new year. We can't wait to have another fantastic term in Nursery and we are excited to welcome our new starters!

### Star of the week

To celebrate achievements in Nursery we have a 'star of the week.' If your child is chosen as star of the week they will receive a certificate and will also chose a prize from our star box.

### Snack

All children will be provided with milk and fruit each day. Please do not send snack with your child as we have allergies in some children. Children can bring a water bottle if they wish. We have now started toast club at 10p a slice each day.

### Our Focus Nursery Rhymes !



### WOW moments!

We would love to hear about those special moments your child experiences out of school such as riding a bike, independently getting dressed or learning to swim. We would like to celebrate and record these moments in their home learning book which will be sent home with them.

Over the year we will be teaching a different topic each half term so there will be plenty of exciting opportunities for your child to learn new things and also share existing knowledge. Topics we will be covering are:

- All about me
- Winter
- Once upon a time
- Curious creatures
- Down at the bottom of the garden
- Under the water

Within these topics we will be theming our learning around a different book each week – a mixture of fiction, non-fiction and poetry each half term so the children will cover a wide range of different texts, some new, some they may already be familiar with

### Important Dates for you diary

13<sup>th</sup> February - Half Term

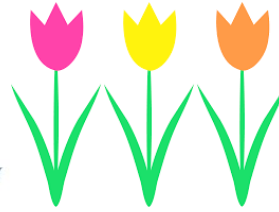
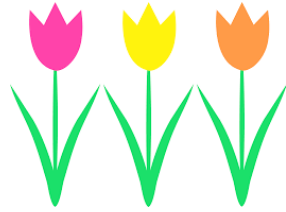
31<sup>st</sup> March - End of term

1<sup>st</sup> May - May day

8<sup>th</sup> May - King's coronation

19<sup>th</sup> May - INSET Week

29<sup>th</sup> May - Spring bank half term



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## Settling in

For many children, the point when their parents leave is the most traumatic – sometimes for the parent too! No one wishes to see a child upset but, although it is upsetting, a quick exit is often the best option. Most children settle down once their parent is out of view and they have had some special time with a member of staff and their favourite story or game. Once the children become familiar with the setting, this should begin to happen less frequently.

**REMEMBER:** *if your child does not settle after you've gone, we WILL ring you! (They generally do though.)*

Please remember to name ALL of your child's clothing as younger children tend to leave items of clothing all over! It really helps if you can keep an eye on these after a few washes as it gets trickier for us to match a child to a jumper a few weeks in! Please also remember to label bags, coats and shoes (if possible) Children are encouraged to be independent and responsible for their own belongings – hanging their own coat up on their peg.

## Finally...

We look forward to welcoming you and your child into our learning community and we endeavour to ensure that your child feels happy, safe and secure whilst learning with us. Please work with us and come to us if you feel you have any concerns. We are always here to answer any questions or queries you have about your little one starting school.

## What if my child is unwell?

Children who are unwell should not be sent to school. We ask that you contact the school office to inform us if this is the case. If your child becomes unwell while at school we will contact you to come and collect him/her. If your child has been prescribed medicine which needs to be administered while in school this needs to be brought to the school office, not to your child's class teacher. If your child has asthma, an inhaler should be kept in school at all times and the necessary consent forms also need completing.



**There are many occasions in which we may need to contact you. It is therefore vital that you keep your contact details up to date with school. If you change your mobile number or home phone number, or move house, please contact the office ASAP so we can update your details.**