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## NEWSLETTER 15

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Dear Parents and Carers,

A shorter newsletter this week because we have been settling down to work and enjoying bank holiday weekends.

We continue to hear positive news in the press about the lower rates of infections and the vaccination roll-out. We look forward to further easing of restrictions and some return to a ‘new normal’. As soon as I receive government and local authority guidance I will of course pass this on and make any changes to our operations as necessary. In the meantime we are required to keep to our staggered exits and bubbles.

We must always remember what a challenging year it has been for everyone – children, staff and of course parents. I would like to thank you all for your kindness and co-operation and ask that we continue in this positive way as a school community as we move out of lockdown. I have personally been heartened by all your support whilst I have been hobbling around in the walking boot, which I am now told I should wean myself off!

May God bless you,

Mark Hilliam  
Headteacher

**Be kind to one another,**  
tender-hearted, forgiving  
each other, just as God in  
Christ also has forgiven you.

-Ephesians 4:32



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#### Safeguarding and Online Safety.

A reminder that if you have any concerns, please report them to Mark Hilliam, Designated Safeguarding Lead. Mr Isaacs and Mrs Allen are the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads.

#### Hellos and goodbyes:

Sometimes children move on from St Augustine’s and we are always sad to see them go. Families leave for a variety of reasons of course, but most commonly they move to a new area for a job or other opportunity. Luckily we have at least as many children who hear about our lovely school and wish to join, so we do welcome a steady number of children during the year. They soon become part of our wonderful school community.

A reminder that we still have a places available at St Augustine’s for our Reception Class 2021-22. If you know of anyone who is looking for a reception place this September, please recommend us. We are a hidden gem, tucked away on a side road. New parents are always pleasantly surprised when they see the light and fresh interiors, plus the beautiful large grounds and play equipment!

#### Sports Day 2021

I am delighted to confirm that we will be holding a sports day this year. Unfortunately, due to the restrictions, we are unable to invite parents and spectators. The children will be able to watch each other in socially-distanced class bubbles on the field. We will also provide a hot picnic lunch for those who request school dinners. This is likely to be a chicken burger with diced potatoes and carrot sticks, followed by a shortbread biscuit or ice-pop for desert.

## Dates for your diary

Friday	28 <sup>th</sup>	May	INSET DAY 4
Wednesday	21 <sup>st</sup>	July	INSET DAY 5
Tuesday	25 <sup>th</sup>	May	Sports Day
Wednesday	26 <sup>th</sup>	May	Class Group Photographs
Monday	21 <sup>st</sup>	June	Year 6 Longtown Residential Trip (details being finalised)
Friday	9 <sup>th</sup>	July	Reports sent out to parents
Monday	12 <sup>th</sup>	July	Chance to meet your child's classteacher to discuss reports
Tuesday	20 <sup>th</sup>	July	End of term/academic year

And finally...

Time is more  
value than money.

You can get  
more money,  
but you cannot get more time.

Jim Rohn

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