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*"Created by God to love and learn"*

Please can all KS2 parents collect their children from the top playground. We do not allow children to be collected from classroom doors in KS2 for safety reasons. Thank you.

## NEWSLETTER

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6.2.26

School's Attendance

91.8%

Target

96.4%

Dear Parents and Carers,

Spending time in classes and around the playground has brought home to me how much I will miss the children, parents and staff of St Augustine's. As you may know, I am leaving at Easter to start a new Headteacher post closer to my home in Gloucestershire. Over the summer we moved to Cheltenham, to be closer to family. Sadly, the commute is proving a challenge as the motorways seem busier than ever!

I have spent seven incredibly happy years at St Augustine's, and many more as a parishioner. My own two children were baptised in the church, so the school community has been a very large part of our lives. Until I leave in April, I remain fully committed to St Augustine's, working alongside our amazing team of staff for the best outcomes for our children. For this period and into Term 5 and 6 we are very fortunate to have the support of Mrs Pippa Osborne, Headteacher of Christchurch Junior School in Downend. Mrs Osborne will be working alongside Mr Isaacs on our school improvement priorities in the Spring and Summer terms.

Thank you to all the staff, parents and governors who attended the Ofsted information evening. Some important questions were raised, and we had many useful suggestions. During next week's parents' evenings, we will put a board up for you to note any suggestions.

Finally, a reminder to please not park in our bus pay. This is in use for coaches and taxi drop-offs.

May God bless,  
Mr Mark Hilliam, Headteacher



## Voices for Life 2026 'Elements' Concert

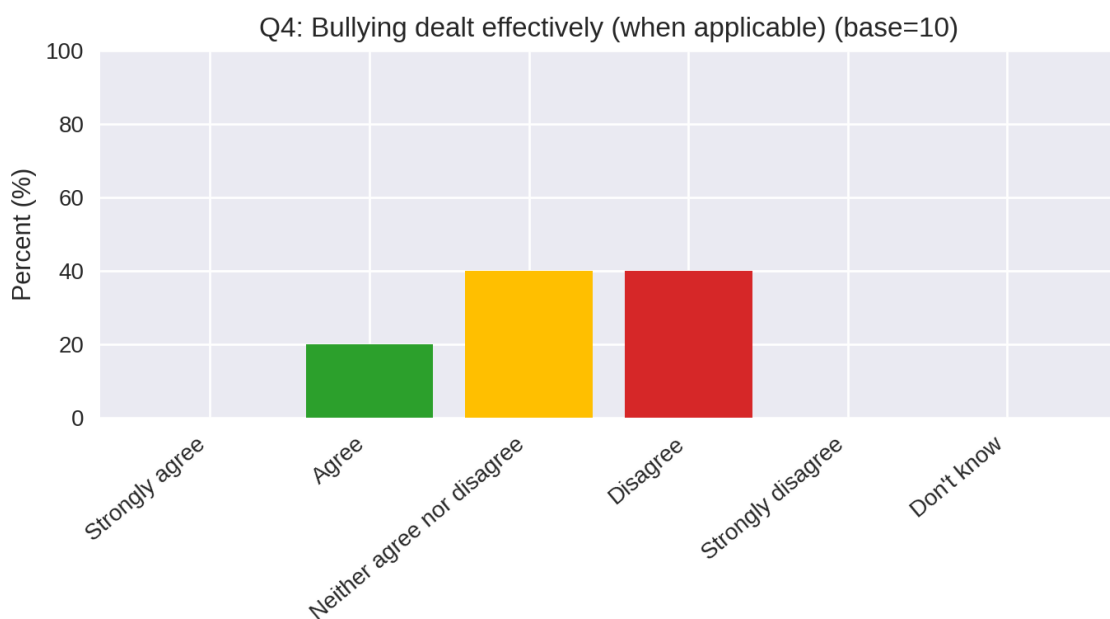
The Voices for Life project we are involved in is an amazing opportunity for your children. We are so pleased to have been selected once again to take part. The cost is free to the school but worth thousands of pounds of musical tuition and the chance to perform with a small orchestra of professional musicians. This year there are

just five schools taking part.

**Performance: 18th March 2026, 6:30 – 7.30pm, St Michael's Centre, Stoke Gifford. Do put the date in your diaries.**

Please book your tickets to come and see it.

Here is the response you gave Ofsted via Parent View for question 4. Based on 10 responses, 20% of parents or carers reported that they feel that bullying is dealt with effectively. Although this is a small sample, it is clear we need to focus on our anti-bullying message and work going forwards. Please encourage your child to speak to their trusted adult if anything is worrying them.



### Term 3 - 50 Word Writing Competition



Using the picture, children should write a 50-word story, information sheet or poem.

Please give completed entries to your class teacher.

Closing date: end of term 3 (next Thursday)

APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN FOR  
**JUNIOR BAKE OFF**

Aged between 9-15 and love to bake?  
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APPLICATIONS CLOSE 15TH MARCH 2026

# Dates for your diary

## Newly added dates highlighted

Friday	13 <sup>th</sup>	February	INSET Day 4 – School closed
Thursday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	April	INSET Day 5 – School closed
February Half-term			
Friday	6 <sup>th</sup>	February	Year 5 class assembly
Monday	9 <sup>th</sup>	February	Ash Wednesday service (held now as Ash Weds falls in half term)
Tuesday	10 <sup>th</sup>	February	Cafod Big Lent Walk assembly
Tuesday	10 <sup>th</sup>	February	Parents' Evening (3:40pm to 7:00pm)
Thursday	12 <sup>th</sup>	February	Parents' Evening (3:40pm to 6:30pm)
Friday	13 <sup>th</sup>	February	Term 3 ends: INSET Day 4
February Half-term			
Monday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	February	Term 4 starts
Wednesday	25 <sup>th</sup>	February	Maths Themed Day 2
Friday	6 <sup>th</sup>	March	Year 4 class assembly
Wednesday	18 <sup>th</sup>	March	Year 2 class liturgy, 2:30pm
Friday	27 <sup>th</sup>	March	Year 3 class assembly
Tuesday	31 <sup>st</sup>	March	Easter Mass: 9:30am in church
Thursday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	April	INSET Day 5 – Term 4 ends
Easter Holidays			
Monday	20 <sup>th</sup>	April	Term 5 starts
Wednesday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	April	Kilve Court Residential for Hazel Class (back on 24/3/25)
Friday	24 <sup>th</sup>	April	Year 2 class assembly
Monday	11 <sup>th</sup>	May	SATS week for Oak Class (year 6) – Monday to Thursday
Thursday	14 <sup>th</sup>	May	Ascension Day: Prayer and blessing in school from Fr Barnabas
Friday	15 <sup>th</sup>	May	Year 1 class assembly
Wednesday	20 <sup>th</sup>	May	Ash (Reception) Class Liturgy, 2:30pm
Friday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	May	Term 5 ends
May Half-term			
Monday	1 <sup>st</sup>	June	Term 6 starts
Monday	8 <sup>th</sup>	June	Oak Class (Year 6) Residential to Grittleton - until Friday 12 <sup>th</sup>
Wednesday	10 <sup>th</sup>	June	Maths Themed Day 3
Friday	12 <sup>th</sup>	June	Reception class assembly
Friday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	July	End of year disco (tbc)
Friday	17 <sup>th</sup>	July	Oak Class (Year 6) leavers' mass, 9:30am
Tuesday	21 <sup>st</sup>	July	Term 6 ends

