

Year 7 Pupil Information



School Mission Statement

Faith and Love

At Saint Augustine's, we want our young people to act justly, love tenderly and recognise God in their lives. Working with families, we will educate children in accordance with the principles and teachings of the Catholic church. Our faith is nourished through the Eucharist and we want everyone at Saint Augustine's to experience the joy of the Gospel in their journey through school and beyond. We will foster in all members of our community a love of God and a love of others as Jesus taught us.

Care and Support

We believe that every person is made and loved by God. This is why we respect each other, value human dignity and consider the needs of the poorest and most vulnerable. We want our pupils to be safe, happy and successful at school. We will provide an environment that inspires, encourages and supports their development through nurturing their gifts and talents and will instill in them the importance of the common good and the stewardship of creation.

Ambition and Success

We aim to provide pupils with the knowledge, skills and attitudes that they need to be successful at school and in later life. We will work to fulfil the potential of every member of our school by providing an education that values the whole person and promotes personal and spiritual growth. Together we will send out our young people to make a difference in our community and in the wider world.

All pupils have the right to be safe, happy and successful.





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Welcome

Hello Year 6!

I am Mrs Grove and I will be your Year Leader during your time at St Augustine's. Congratulations on gaining a place at our fantastic school. We cannot wait to have you join us in September! I have worked at St Augustine's for over a decade so I am here to help with any questions you might have along with your Form Tutor.

I am looking forward to meeting you all. It has been lovely to already meet some of you whilst visiting your primary schools to tell you about what life at St Augustine's will be like.

I am sure a lot of you have mixed feelings about what will happen on your first day in September but it will be a great day. You will spend time with your form and go to some lessons. You will also have an early lunch so we can show you how to get food and where you need to go. All you need to bring on your first day is your bag to take books home in and your pencil case. At the end of the day we will also show you how to get home on the school bus so you know where you are going.

Please make the most of attending our school. Get involved in as much as possible so you can have many aspects of school that you enjoy. Be prepared to work hard and to be successful, as well as making new friends and being kind to all members of our school community.

Enjoy a restful summer holidays when it arrives and make sure you are looking smart in your uniform for September.

Looking forward to welcoming you all.

Mrs Grove – Year 7 Leader





What you will need.....

It may be a good idea to tick these items off the list!

- ✓ A blue or black pen (plus a spare one)
- ✓ Pencils and Pencil sharpener
- ✓ Rubber
- ✓ Ruler
- ✓ Coloured pencils
- ✓ Green pen
- ✓ Geometry set
- ✓ Scissors and glue
- ✓ Reading Book—from home or the library
- ✓ Calculator
- ✓ Strong bag for books
- ✓ Recorder
- ✓ Technology apron
- ✓ P.E. kit
- ✓ Bus pass / bus fare
- ✓ Dinner money / sandwiches
- ✓ Spare medication e.g. inhalers to hand into the office with your name clearly marked on it
- ✓ Covers or paper for backing books





Your Timetable

Your form teacher will give you your 2-week (week 1 and week 2), individual timetable on the first day. It will tell you:

- ✓ when you have each subject (period/time)
- ✓ which room you are in
- ✓ who will be teaching you

Break time is from 11.05—11.20am every day except Friday when it is 10.25-10.40am. Dinner time is from 12.20—1.15 pm every day except Friday when it is from 12.40—1.25pm.

You will also get a spare timetable to leave at home. Your parents might want to put it in a place where they can easily check to see if you have the right books for each day (perhaps it would be a good idea to stick it on the fridge!)

	1Mo	1Tu	1We	1Th	1Fr
1	Science 7R/Sc STM L3	RE 7Z1B/Re RBU RM37	Art 7Z1B/Ar NJO AR2	Science 7R/Sc STM L3	Modern Languages 7Z1B/MI MJG RM12
2	PE Core 7ZG1/Pc LBL	History 7Z1B/Hi NPO RM32	RE 7Z1B/Re ALO RM39	RE 7Z1B/Re RBU RM37	Modern Languages 7Z1B/MI MJG RM12
3	Geography 7Z1B/Gg JDO RM24	Music 7R/Mu MHA MUS2	Design Technology 7ZT1/Dt HMA FD1	Design Technology 7ZT1/Dt HMA FD1	PE Core 7ZG1/Pc CSA HALL
4/L					RE 7Z1B/Re RBU RM37
4/L	Maths 7R/Ma AWH RM27	Modern Languages 7Z1B/MI MJG RM12	Maths 7R/Ma AWH RM27	Maths 7R/Ma AWH RM27	
5	History 7Z1B/Hi NPO RM32	Art 7Z1B/Ar NJO AR2	English 7Z1B/En SCU RM10	English 7Z1B/En SCU RM10	Personal Dev 7R/Pd JPE RM8

	2Mo	2Tu	2We	2Th	2Fr
1	English 7Z1B/En SCU RM10	History 7Z1B/Hi JWA RM33	Maths 7R/Ma AWH RM27	English 7Z1B/En SCU RM10	Modern Languages 7Z1B/MI MJG RM12
2	Vocab 7Z1B/Va DCO L6	Music 7R/Mu MHA MUS2	Modern Languages 7Z1B/MI MJG RM12	Design Technology 7ZT1/Dt HMA FD1	Modern Languages 7Z1B/MI MJG RM12
3	Science 7R/Sc STM L3	Science 7R/Sc RTM L8	Design Technology 7ZT1/Dt HMA FD1	PE Core 7ZG1/Pc CSA HALL	Science 7R/Sc RTM L8
4/L					PE Core 7ZG1/Pc CSA HALL
4/L	Geography 7Z1B/Gg JDO RM24	English 7Z1B/En SCU RM10	RE 7Z1B/Re RBU RM37	Maths 7R/Ma AWH RM27	
5	Maths 7R/Ma DCL RM4	Geography 7Z1B/Gg JDO RM24	Personal Dev 7R/Pd EWA RM32	Science 7R/Sc STM L3	English 7Z1B/En SCU RM10



Home Learning

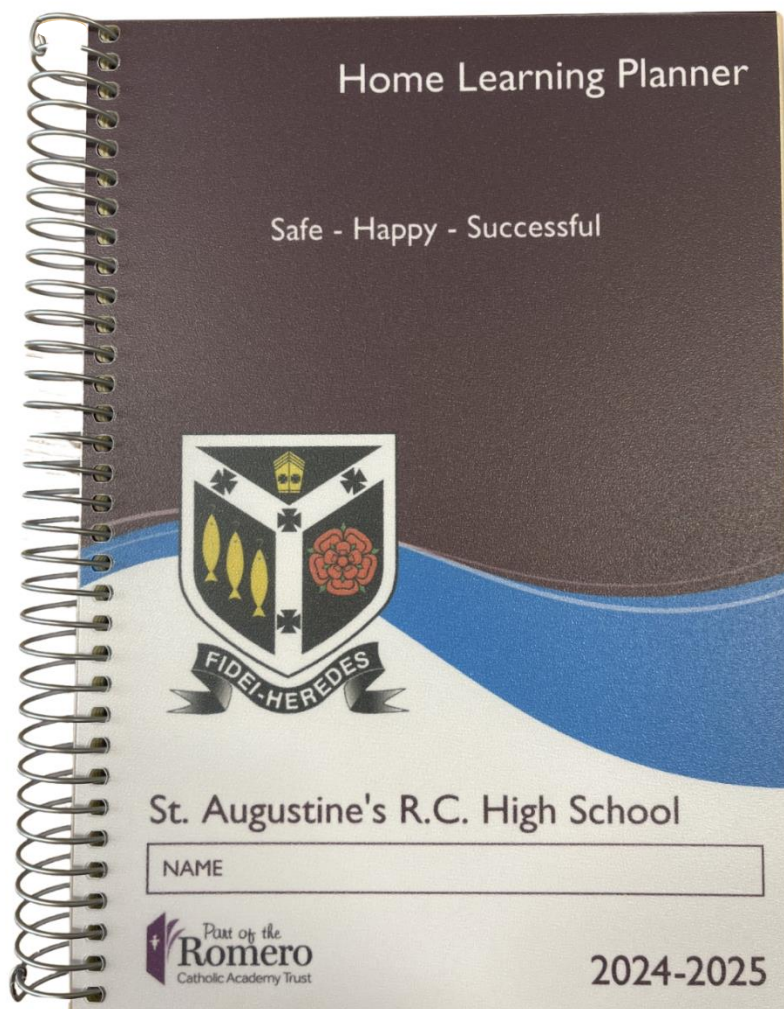
On the first day you will be given a home learning diary which is to help you remember and organise your home learning.

Try to find a quiet place and do your homework as soon as it is set when it is fresh in your mind. Don't keep putting it off so you end up rushing it.

Always write your home learning down carefully so you know what you have been asked to do. You can tick the "done" column when you have finished it.

You will also be given an email address and instructions on how to use Teams, you will need this to complete any online homework.

Ask your parents to sign your diary each week so they can see all the work you have been doing.



SARCHS Standards



Arrival to school

I will:

- ✓ Arrive by 08.45
- ✓ Ensure I am in the correct uniform.
- ✓ Line up outside form room single file so as not to obstruct the corridor.
- ✓ Go straight into the hall and sit with the form alphabetically, if it is my assembly day

Moving between lessons

I will:

- ✓ Move to my next lesson immediately – taking the most direct route and being aware of the one-way systems
- ✓ Walk sensibly and quietly with purpose, single file on the left-hand side
- ✓ Ensure I am in the correct uniform – no coats / hoodies. Make sure my phone is out of sight.

At the Door and 'Do Now'

I will:

- ✓ Enter the classroom quickly and quietly.
- ✓ Not talk or make noise as I enter the classroom.
- ✓ Walk directly to my allocated seat.
- ✓ Take equipment out of my bag and put my bag under the desk.
- ✓ Start the Do Now without the need for instruction.
- ✓ Respond only to the register.

During the lesson

I will:

- ✓ Follow instructions, first time, every time
- ✓ Be an active listener and learner
- ✓ Take pride in my work
- ✓ Put my hand up if I want to speak
- ✓ Ask an adult for help if needed
- ✓ Try my best

The end of the lesson

I will:

- ✓ Complete the final learning activity as directed.
- ✓ Tidy away my belongings, when asked to do so.
- ✓ Pass my books to the row in front. If I am sitting on the front row, I will collect the books and put at the side of the desk. Follow the teacher's instructions regarding packing the books away.
- ✓ Quietly, leave the classroom as instructed by my teacher.
- ✓ Walk directly to my next classroom, using the quickest route and walking on the left.

In the dining hall

I will:

- ✓ Queue up in an orderly manner (single file) outside the hall if I want hot food.
- ✓ Walk through the hall to the dining room with my packed lunch.
- ✓ Put waste and litter in the bins provided – no food or litter on the floor
- ✓ Follow adult's instructions first time, every time.
- ✓ Only exit through the drama corridor to go outside
- ✓ Only come in for cakes, biscuits, and drinks once all pupils have bought a hot lunch (will be directed by member of staff)
- ✓ Queue up in a single file outside rooms 28/27 if I want to buy a panini

Buses

Getting home on the bus is easy. During your first day you will be taken to the yard and shown where you will queue up for your bus.

At the end of the day you will see the order of the buses, these are displayed near the turning circle. You join the queue behind the number of the bus which is on your bus pass.

You will probably be travelling with lots of other children from your Primary school so it is a good chance to sit with friends and chat.

We expect pupils to sit still and travel safely. If you are unhappy about anyone's behaviour on your bus, tell your form teacher or ask your parents to phone the school. Bus Prefects are on all buses as well.





Clubs and Activities

There are all sorts of clubs which you can join as you move through the school. In Year 7 there are lots of sporting activities like football, netball, rounders, badminton, table tennis and running. If you like drawing there is an art club and many pupils enjoy the drama club.

You can play chess and other board games. There are lots of musical activities like the choir and band which are always popular. If you are stuck with homework you can get help at the study club most lunchtimes.

You will find a list of clubs in your form rooms during the second week of term. There will also be an extra-curricular fair held during a lunch time, here you will be able to sign up for any of the activities on offer.

Making Friends

Starting a new school is a good chance to make lots of new friends. You will quickly get to know lots of new people especially in your form and teaching classes.

Don't be too scared to talk to people and if someone talks to you, speak to them and be friendly. There will be quite a few children who start school in September who won't know many other people.

Joining clubs or playing football at breaktimes are other ways of making friends who share the same interests as you. As you make new friends try to introduce them to your other friends too.

Teachers and Rewards

When you are at St. Augustine's you will have a different teacher for each subject. You will be wondering what they are all like! You will find that they are very helpful and encouraging. They expect you to work hard and want you to do your best. They will speak to your parents at progress evening or before if they are concerned about you.

If you do an excellent piece of work your teacher will give you a reward point. School vouchers or stationery are awarded for every 10 points you receive, and each term everyone with 30 reward points is entered into a Year 7 draw for a £50 multi-shop voucher.

SARCHS REWARDS



FIDEI-HEREDES

15 RP'S

- 1 ITEM OF STATIONERY
- DRINK/CAKE VOUCHER
- 1 DAY QUEUE JUMP

30 RP'S

- 2 ITEMS OF STATIONERY
- BREAKFAST VOUCHER
- 2 X 1 DAY QUEUE JUMP
- WATER BOTTLE

50 RP'S

- LUNCH VOUCHER
- POWERBANK
- 1 WEEK QUEUE JUMP
- £5 OFF A SCHOOL TRIP (PROM FOR Y11)
- Y10/11 X 2 REVISION ITEMS

75 RP'S

- 2 REVISION ITEMS
- QUEUE JUMP FOR 2 WEEKS



100 RP'S

- LUNCH WITH SLT

Y7



- 50 REWARD POINTS IN A YEAR AND GET A SILVER STAR BADGE

Y7-11

- 100 REWARD POINTS IN A YEAR AND GET A GOLD STAR BADGE





Dinner Times

For the first week of term your teachers will take you down to the dining room for an early lunch. On any day of the week you can bring a packed lunch or buy a hot or cold dinner. The food is delicious and not too expensive. The dinner ladies are friendly and helpful. In the dining room there are lots of tables and chairs so you can sit with your friends and chat or make new friends. After the first week you will be shown where to line up for hot or cold dinners. You will go into lunch on a weekly rota basis with years 8 and 9. If you get into school early you can buy a breakfast. Food is also available to purchase at break.

Lovely Lunches

Paninis

Home-made cakes

Pasta and Lasagne

Jacket potatoes

Chicken curry and rice

Salads and Wraps

Cold drinks

Sandwiches and baguettes

Chicken wraps

Casseroles

Fresh fruit

Yoghurts

Pies & flans

And much more!

Try to eat healthily and vary your choice of foods.

Always take your plates back to the kitchen and throw away your rubbish in a bin.



The Library

The resources available in our library include books, videos, audio books, computers and games.

The library is open most lunchtimes and break times and many pupils use it to read or borrow books, or to play games like scrabble and boggle.

The large fiction section includes Chillers, Fantasy and Science Fiction, Lifelike and Lite Bites (short stories).

School Trips

There are usually several trips organised for Year 7 pupils though these may vary from year to year. There are often theatre trips arranged by the English department and last year the Science department took over 100 pupils to London.

For many years a group of 60 pupils have travelled on a Languages trip for a weekend in France. At the end of every year there is a whole school trip to Blackpool Pleasure Beach which is arranged for all pupils who have worked hard and behaved well throughout the year.

There are many trips arranged for the other year groups. These have included Music trips to Scotland; MFL & History trips to France; Sport trips to Italy; Geography trips to Japan, Africa and Iceland, and RE retreats to Alton Castle and the Lake District.





Getting Organised....

- ✓ Being organised will help you to remember everything and feel confident about coming to school. It is a good idea to pack your bag the night before so you aren't rushing in the morning.
- ✓ Have a spare drawer, shelf or box to keep all your school books and equipment in so you don't lose anything.
- ✓ Try to do your homework as soon as you can on the day you get it.
- ✓ Write down any extra things you need each day e.g. tech apron etc.
- ✓ Use your school diary to record all homework and messages for parents.

What to do if.....

You are late for school....

If you have missed registration you must report to Pupil Services where you will be signed in and given a slip.

You forget your dinner or dinner money...

Do not worry! We will ensure that you can still use your Scopay account, just let Pupil Services know and they can either contact home or arrange for you to get a lunch from the kitchen.

Someone at school is making you unhappy....

Tell your form teacher or Year Leader. You could also tell a friend or your parents who could then tell someone for you. You can also report this using the online form on the school website that looks like this:



You feel ill at school....

Tell your next teacher and if they think you need to go home they will sign your diary and send you to Pupil Services who will contact home. **DO NOT CONTACT HOME YOURSELF.**

You are off ill for a few days...

Remind your parents to telephone the school before 9:30am on the first day that you are ill. Try to borrow books off someone in your class so you can copy up any work you have missed.

You lose something at school...

Try to retrace your steps and look in the rooms you have been in. Ask at the school office, or see if one of the teaching assistants in the Student Support area (near the hall) during morning registration.

You don't understand the work you have been asked to do for home learning...

It is best to ask your teacher for help. If you can't do this you could ask a friend or member of your family. Or you can go to Study Club where someone can help you.



Lockers

During the first few weeks of term pupils are offered the chance to rent a locker for the year. The charge is usually £5 and includes a lock and key. Pupils may find it useful for storing their P.E. kit or books etc. Pupils will be informed via Pupil Messages when lockers become available, they will then be directed to Pupil Services.

School Council

The School Council is composed of pupils who have been elected to represent each year group. They meet once a term to discuss ideas to make the school a better place for pupils. Elections for Year 7 pupil representatives are held in the Autumn Term.

Timings of the school day

Monday – Thursday

Registration	08.45 – 09.05
P1	09.05 – 10.05
P2	10.05 – 11.05
Break	11.05 – 11.20
P3	11.20 – 12.20
Lunch	12.20 – 13.15
P4	13.15 – 14.15
P5	14.15 – 15.15

Friday

Registration	08.45 – 08.55
P1/2	08.55 – 10.25
Break	10.25 – 10.40
P3	10.40 – 11.40
P4	11.40 – 12.40
Lunch	12.40 – 13.25
P5	13.25 – 14.25



Every School Day Counts

0 days off school

100%

Perfection

Equates to 2 days off school each year

99%

Excellent

Equates to 5 days off school each year

97%

Good

Equates to 10 days off school each year

95%

Slight Concern

Equates to 20 days off school each year

90%

Concerned

Equates to 30 days off school each year

85%

Very Concerned

5 days absence over the whole year

97% - 100%

Good chance of success and progress

20 days absence over the whole year

90%

Less chance of success. Harder to make progress

20 + days absence over the whole year

Under 90%

Detrimental to success and progress

Every Minute Counts

LATENESS = LOST LEARNING

(figures below are calculated over a school year)

5 minutes late each day = 3 days lost!

10 minutes late each day = 6.5 days lost!

15 minutes late each day = 10 days lost!

20 minutes late each day = 13 days lost!

30 minutes late each day = 19 days lost!

**Be at the classroom on time
and ready to learn!**