

25th May 2021

Dear Parents & Carers,

On 18<sup>th</sup> June 1981 (the Feast of Corpus Christi), St Augustine's School was officially opened by Bishop Augustine Harris. To celebrate our Ruby anniversary, we have some special events planned.

We want to start our celebrations on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June by taking our children back in time to 1981, an era of very dubious fashion choices for those who are old enough to remember! We are going to have an 80s themed party day and would like the children to dress up in 80s themed clothes. We will be playing 80s music, learning about 80s trends and will even have an 80s themed school lunch that day (with retro desserts and pink custard!).

On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June Bishop Terry will be saying Mass at the Cathedral and a group of our children will attend to represent the school and mark the anniversary. This mass will be live streamed so that our whole community can share this together.

Our whole school sports week will begin on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June - there will be events on every day including exciting inflatables, a climbing wall, Urban Kaos street dance and tennis coaching. With such an action-packed itinerary, children can wear sports clothes all week. We are planning to finish the week with a socially distanced picnic on the school field and an ice cream van (all children to receive a free ice cream)! Please keep your fingers crossed for good weather.

You may have seen our social media post appealing for photographs and memories from past pupils. We would love you to share these via email or deliver items to school which we can display to show St Augustine's through the decades. We are also wanting to create an 'alumni wall' celebrating past pupil's achievements so that we can show our children how far they can go after leaving St Augustine's.

After such a difficult year or so, it will be wonderful to see the children joining in with such a range of fun and memorable events. Have a lovely half-term break, stay safe and well and we look forward to seeing the children back in school on Monday 7th June.

Yours sincerely,

Mr M Macaulay Mrs L Rehbohm Executive Headteacher Head of School

## Serve the Lord in gladness