

Friday, 30th June 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Strike Action

Due to strike action by members of the NEU teaching union, I can confirm that, at the time of writing, school will be **closed** to the following year groups on **Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th July:**

- Year 1
- Year 3
- Year 4
- Year 5

Nursery, Reception, Year 2 and Year 6 classes will be unaffected by strike action, therefore pupils are expected to attend school and lessons will go ahead as normal.

The decision has not been taken lightly and I understand that this situation may be frustrating. We remain committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our pupils, and, after carrying out a risk assessment, we feel that we would be unable to provide this to certain year groups with the staff we have available.

I will continue to keep you informed via Arbor emails, Marvellous Me and the school website. If you have any questions, please contact <u>enquiries@staugustines.npcat.org.uk</u>.

Postgate Sunday Family Mass

This Sunday will be our final Family Mass of the year and we will join together as a school and parish community to celebrate the life of Blessed Nicholas Postgate, the patron saint of our Trust. Known as the 'Martyr of the Moors', Blessed Nicholas Postgate was put to death for continuing to say Mass for the Catholic communities across the North York Moors at a time when this was illegal. How fortunate we are to live at a time in our country's history when people can celebrate their faith in freedom. Please join us at 10.00am this Sunday at the Cathedral to gather as one united family to celebrate Mass, give thanks for the sacrifice of one of the English Martyrs and to give thanks for the school year. On this special occasion, we ask that your child(ren) attend Mass in full school uniform.

Have a lovely weekend with your family, I look forward to seeing you on Sunday.

Yours sincerely,

Mr M Macaulay Executive Headteacher

Serve the Lord in gladness

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