



NEWSLETTER

HEAD TEACHERS UPDATE

Spring Term 1

HAPPY NEW YEAR

My first newsletter of 2018 comes with my very best wishes for a wonderful New Year for you all! I hope you have had a chance to relax, reflect and enjoy the company of your loved ones. On behalf of all staff at St. Vincent's, I would like to thank you for your generosity during Advent for our fund raising and charity events, as well as a thank you for all the cards, gifts and well wishes – it was truly appreciated. I am overwhelmed, as always, by the spirit of community, love and solidarity which is shown in our school community. It really does reflect the school's mission statement of 'Serving with Love, Striving for Excellence'.

MRS FOY

We are delighted to welcome back Mrs Foy after her maternity leave. We wish her a smoother transition back in to her role as Year 1 teacher and Foundation Stage & Key Stage 1 lead.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We would like to remind all parents that it is essential for the children to have the correct footwear. Training shoes are not part of the school uniform, please ensure that sensible black shoes are worn. Black trainers are not acceptable.

PARKING

Thank you to all the parents who have ensured that they park away from our school gate.

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TERM DATES

Half Term:

School closes Friday 9th Feb at 3:15pm

School reopens Monday 19th Feb at 8:55am

Our school council has highlighted the dangers of parking too close to the school entrance and are in the process of organising a campaign...

'Even if you're late, DON'T park near our gate!'

This really is a serious matter, please help us to keep **YOUR** children safe!

DON'T PARK NEAR OUR GATE!



A word from Pope Francis,

'We will never be disillusioned or lose our way if we are guided by God'

DIARY DATES

- 26th Jan: 2pm KIND Pop Up Shop – raising funds for Kids In Need & Distress (All welcome)
- 31st Jan: Yr 6 Retreat Day at Animate
- 6th Feb: Yr 5 & 6 (CYBER SAFETY TEAM ONLY) attending Internet Safety Day
- 7th Feb: 6pm With You Always: 5th Session (Yr4 Holy Communicants' only)
- 8th Feb: SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS (all children)
- 9th Feb: 3:15pm School closes for Half Term
- 19th Feb: School reopens
- 23rd Feb: Yr 2 Class Mass at St Vincent's Church (All Parents Welcome)

PUNCTUALITY

FROM: Tuesday 5th Sept

TO: Friday 12th Jan

97%

VERY GOOD

ATTENDANCE

FROM: Tuesday 5th Sept

TO: Friday 12th Jan

96.6%

VERY GOOD



Golden Assembly winners ...



Individual Class Awards

- Nursery:** Booker Dean, Keira Rose Corless, Joanna Salceda Moore, James Kennedy
- Reception:** Austeja Valaikaite, Beatrice Shovlin, Eric Amoros, Keeva Slemen
- Year 1:** Savannah O'Brien, Jodie Chen, Mina Antonyswamy, Joel Pitchford
- Year 2:** Lily Bersantie, Imogen McKenna, Christian Helt, Dooyum Gadu Adamu
- Year 3:** Matteo Derosa, Iesha Deakin, Maya O'Shea, Teah Brumant
- Year 4:** Jaden Sesay, Ada Amoros, Lea Roberts, Haneen Shahaed
- Year 5a:** Stephen O'Brien, Rohan Vishu, Alioune Diop, Preeti Kaur
- Year 5c:** Milo Yesufu-Mills, Pebbles Clarke, Zoe Fubara, Ikshudi Rathore
- Year 6:** Libby Tee, Alfie Hayes, Vincent Ling, Amber Morgan

Extra-Curriculum Awards

- Librarian** - Conn McDonnell
- Mini-Vinnies** - Bradlee Dutton
- Buddy** - Alice Fung

Headteacher Awards

- EYFS:** Kelsey Foy
- KS1:** Layton Dutton
- KS2:** Finley Casey



Sports Personalities of the Term: EYFS: Oliver Itiokiet **Key Stage 1:** Kenzi Alcock **Key Stage 2:** Ciaran Scanlan



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The Debate Academy has been run as a 10 week after school club and has created engaging and lively opportunities to develop the children's debating skills. This culminated in a Debating competition, alongside children from Whitefield Primary School, held at Liverpool Hope University. The children had to prepare and then present their arguments to an audience before facing a series of challenging questions. I was immensely impressed with all of their achievements and especially Partha Bompally & Portia Derryhouse who received awards for their articulate presentations. Mrs May and Mr Trump had better watch their backs!

Attendance and Punctuality

As a school, we are committed to maintaining high levels of attendance.

As a reward for those children meeting attendance targets, names are entered into the prize draw and winners picked out during our Golden Assembly.

Our lucky Christmas Golden Assembly winners were;

Oliver Otikiet, Maniah Brumant, Teah Brumant, Mia Deakin

Whole class punctuality awards – Year 2 & Year 5A

Well done to our winners and don't forget... **YOU'VE GOT TO BE IN TO WIN!**

SPORTS

We continue to develop the sports stars of tomorrow as our various teams represent the school with honours!

Our Year 6 Mixed Football Team continue to dominate at the top of the league (with more fixtures to come over the next few weeks) with an average score of 4-0 – out 'Super 6' are a joy to watch!

The Junior Girls played an outstanding team performance and they made it through, as winners, to the City Finals (to be held in February). Outstanding attitude and aptitude make the perfect combination with goals aplenty!

Our Year 2 Mat ball team also reached the dizzy heights of the City Finals, beating some big schools in the process. With very tight score lines, amazing passing and involvement of every player, the team finished 6th overall! A very respectable result and a team to watch for the future - well done Year 2!

Our Key Stage 2 Water Polo squad tested their swimming ability and an amazing amount of strength winning three matches and drawing one to come 3rd overall. This is not your average every day sport and our team picked it up really quickly. A special mention to our 'Super Goalie' Louis Carr who put a stop to any potential goal!! Great performance all round!!

Finally, our Year 5/6 Athletics team competed against 5 other teams in what is always an exciting event. From javelin and long jump to short distance and relay races the team gave it their all and were rewarded with a silver medal in 2nd place. Mr Allen and Mrs Butland were really proud of the way each athlete gave 100% to their event. Very well done to everyone involved!

Thank you to the children for all your hard work and effort in our sporting events! We look forward to taking you on many more throughout the Spring Term!

BREAKFAST CLUB MENU

- Monday - Beans on Toast
- Tuesday - Pancake Tuesdays
- Wednesday - Scrambled Egg on Toast
- Thursday - Bacon Muffins
- Friday - Full 'St Vincent's' Breakfast



A choice of cereals & vegetarian options is available daily.

The inflation busting price of 50 pence remains with the optional voluntary contribution of £1 per day

Thank you for your continued support!

Mrs Salters