

## NEWSLETTER

**HEAD TEACHERS UPDATE** 

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## **TERM DATES**

## **Half Term:**

School closes Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Oct at 3:15pm School reopens Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Oct at 8:55am Please note school will close at 12pm on FRIDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER for our annual St Vincent de Paul Feast Day

# Welcome back!

I really hope that you have all had a restful summer and enjoyed the precious time with your children. It was a delight to see all the children returning to school and looking so smart in their school uniforms.

## NEW FAMILIES TO ST VINCENT'S

It was lovely to see the Reception and Nursery children officially start. May I take this opportunity to welcome our new parents to St Vincent's. You are now part of our school family and I hope that both you and your child enjoy being part of this special community.

## **DIARY DATES**

#### 18th September:

Whole school visit – Nick Carter Everest Workshop

#### 27th September:

Key Stage 1 visit to Acorn Farm **28**th **September:** 

Feast day Party Brunch for ALL children. School closes 12pm

### 3<sup>rd</sup> October:

Key Stage 1 visit to Museum

## 4<sup>th</sup> October:

Key Stage 1 visit to Museum

#### 16th October:

Parents Evening (Whole School)

### 19th October:

3:15pm School closes for Half Term

Your children are your most important gift from God, we promise to treasure them, help them, guide them and support them. Always remaining true to our mission statement -

'Serving with Love, Striving for Excellence'.

## MEET THE TEACHER EVENING

We will be holding our annual parents information meeting on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October, for all year groups. It is really important that at least one parent/carer can attend as the teachers can give an overview of the year and the expectations. This will be held in the school hall.

## **PUNCTUALITY**

**Punctuality Matters too!** 



Missed minutes = missed learning and missed opportunities!

Lateness can severely affect achievement.

## **NEW STAFF**

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Miss Townsend, Chef Seth and Miss Lydia to our St Vincent's community. Miss Townsend joins our Key Stage 2 staff (Year 4) and Miss Lydia and Chef Seth have already been busy preparing and creating some great food – please see the next page for more information.

### KiVa ANTIBULLYING

St Vincent's is now a KiVa school!
Both Miss Kendrick and Mrs Crane
took part in KiVa training during the
Summer Term. They are now trained
KiVa team leaders and will be rolling
out this programme across the whole
school with the help of the children,
parents and staff. KiVa aims to
prevent bullying and teach children the
skills they need to resolve situations

## **ATTENDANCE**

Excellent attendance is vital for ALL our children if they are to gain the most from the education we provide.



2017 -18 Attendance figure : 95.6%

Our Whole School Target this year is – 97%

Thank you for your continued support!



If you live in Liverpool and receive certain benefits you are eligible to claim free

http://liverpool.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/grants-and-funding/free-school-meals/

# 'Meat' the Chef.

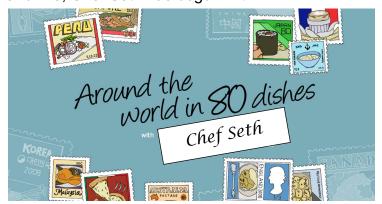
Following in the footsteps of the one and only Miss Margaret, after her 35 years of loyal service could be seen as daunting (think David Moyes and Alex Ferguson, read on and you'll understand why I use that analogy), but not for the man we call 'Chef Seth!' Having been 'poached' (yet another cooking pun!) from St Nick's, Chef Seth has made a super start to life in the St Vincent's kitchen but who is the man behind the apron?

Well, if you have ever dined out at the Albert Dock or on Lark Lane there is a good chance you have been lucky enough to taste his food. However, as a son of a former Primary Headteacher (Mrs Sergent of Windsor Street Primary School) he was always going to go back to his

Originally from Watford, Seth defies all geographical logic and is an avid Manchester United fan! This alone should highlight how highly the Governors rated Seth at interview, after all, having a Man United fan in St Vincent's is surely a first! However, he wowed us all with his willingness to take on a new challenge, bringing all ordering in-house, using local suppliers, designing new menus from scratch and ultimately saving money having left Liverpool City Council's Catering Services.

His ideas on creating a calmer dining environment has resulted in all staff now sharing lunchtime with the children - and that is before we even talk about the food!

In order to gain an insight into what the children want and like, Chef Seth has begun with...



Having visited Italy (spag bol), Spain (patatas bravas), Morocco (Moroccan lamb), China and India to name but a few, the number of children eating hot dinners has already dramatically increased.

In addition to the daily special, the kitchen team prepare a wide variety of alternatives including jacket potatoes, sandwiches, pastas and our amazing salad bar!

I'm sure you'll agree that £2 is an absolute bargain for such high-quality food and choice. Don't forget, you could be entitled to Free School Meals so it's well worth checking!

Of course, a chef is only as good as the team around them and Seth is lucky to be supported by Miss Emma, Miss Lydia and Miss Samson. A dream team some might say!

Our culinary journey around the globe continues...









stvincentsI1 Meet St Vincents new Chef, Seth, who, along with his team, is taking us on a culinary trip around the world in 15 days. Starting off in Italy with Bolognaise and heading south for some Spanish chicken! We then set off for some more mouth watering dishes from Morocco and Brazil as we pass by the salad bar and dessert trolley . So forget your packed lunch and give your new school dinners a try! You will not be disappointed; teachers too!!!



## Breakfast Club Menu

Mon - Beans on toast

Tues - Pancake Tuesdays (freshly made to order)

Wed - Bacon or Cheese Muffins

Thur - St Vinnie's Veggie or Full English

Fri - Continental Breakfast

A variety of cereals and fruit juice on offer each and every day.