



St. Vincent de Paul
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

HEAD TEACHERS UPDATE

Welcome back!

I would like to take this opportunity to say a very big welcome to all - both new and old families. I hope you all enjoyed a wonderful break over the summer holidays and had a chance to spend some quality family time with your loved ones.

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

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'*

DIARY DATES

27th September: (Half day closure)

10am: Feast day Mass – All parents invited.

11am: Macmillan Coffee morning –

(All parents invited) in memory of Mrs Pauline Marsh.

12pm: School closes

30th September: Mission Together whole school assembly.

1st October: Visit from Fr Ferdinand and Fr Charles to talk about Mission Month.

2nd October: 9:30am Schools' Parliament (school council to attend)

8th October: 3:30pm PARENTS EVENING will be held in the school hall.

Sunday 13th October:

10:30am St Vincent de Paul Family Mass (All welcome)

15th October: 12pm Yr 6 visit to Storyhouse Theatre to see Jekyll and Hyde.

21st October: 9:30 Election of Junior Mayor

Friday 25th October: 3:15pm School closes for Half Term

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TERM DATES

Half Term:

School closes Friday 25th Oct at 3:15pm

School reopens Monday 4th Nov at 8:55am

Please note school will close at 12pm on

FRIDAY 27th SEPTEMBER for our annual

St Vincent de Paul Feast Day

READY, RESPECT, KIND

St Vincent's is a KiVa school (*KiVa means kind in Finnish, which is where the approach originates*) by implementing this programme (in all years) we aim to prevent bullying and teach our children the skills they need to resolve situations. Leading on from this, our staff have been busy updating their behaviour management knowledge from a world-class expert Paul Dix. Paul talks about clear expectations and the impact of 'three power words' so that our children have a clear certainty, at all times, of what is expected of them.

After much deliberation we feel that we have chosen the three most important words for St Vincent's.

Ready – ready to learn, ready to pursue all possibilities.

Respect – for both ourselves and others at all times.

Kind – Kindness at the heart of everything we do.

Be ready to hear these power words and look out for the new ways we will celebrate them.





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Our school has signed up to Times Table Rock Stars!

Download the app onto tablets or mobile phones or play online on a computer or laptop. Each child was given a letter with their own personal login details to begin playing.

If you have misplaced your login details letter or are having trouble logging on then please let your class teacher know.

ATTENDANCE

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



2018 -19 Attendance figure: 96.6%
Our Whole School Target this year is – 97%

PUNCTUALITY

Punctuality Matters too!

Missed minutes = missed learning and missed opportunities!



Lateness can severely affect achievement.

Breakfast Club



Monday – Beans on Toast
Tuesday – Scrambled Eggs on toast
Wednesday – Bacon Butties
Thursday – Spaghetti on Toast
Friday – The Full St Vincent's breakfast

A choice of cereals is available each day, with the daily price of £1.

7:30am till 8:30am

Start your day the St Vincent's Way!

St. Vincent de Paul

St Vincent de Paul

On Friday 27th September we celebrate the feast of our Patron Saint St. Vincent de Paul. St Vincent was a French priest who dedicated himself to serving the poor. Renowned for his compassion, humility, and generosity and known as the "Great Apostle of Charity," he was canonised in 1737.

Vincent's life was full of dramatic moments. At 24 years old, Vincent was taken captive by Barbary pirates and spent two years in bondage as a slave. As a young priest, rising quickly among the ranks of the clergy, he abandoned the path for advancement when he experienced a call to serve the poor, a call that changed his life.

Feast Day Celebration



To celebrate our Feast day the children from Year 1 to Year 6 will attend a special mass in church at 10am – **ALL parents** are welcome to join us.

After mass, back at school, we are holding a Macmillan coffee morning where you will be able to gather with our school community and buy some delicious cake along with a cup of tea, all for the amazing charity Macmillan Cancer Support.

This morning will be dedicated to the memory of the wonderful Mrs Pauline Marsh. An additional letter will follow with further details.

School closes at 12pm



I would like to share a message from Pope Francis that really aligns with our own values and hopes at St Vincent's for the children in our care.

"Our young people are our foremost mission!"

"We must invite them to find their happiness in Jesus; not by speaking to them in an aloof or distant way, but by learning how to make room for them, 'learning their language,' listening to their stories, spending time with them and making them feel that they too are blessed by God."

Thank you for your continued support!

Mrs Salters