

# St Vincent's Catholic Primary

## School Newsletter



*To love, serve and learn as Jesus shows us*

**Friday 20 October 2023**

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

#### ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

	<u>Events</u>	<u>Clubs</u>
<b>Mon 13th</b>	Celebration assembly (8.50am) Parents' Evening (Year 6)	Dodgeball (KS2)  <b>NO LEGO/ CONSTRUCTION CLUB THIS</b>
<b>Tues 14th</b>	8am: Y6 booster group Parents' Evening (Nursery—Year 5)	Girls' football (KS2)
<b>Wed 15th</b>		
<b>Thurs 16th</b>		Mini-Vinnies (Rec-Y6)  Football (Y1-3)
<b>Fri 17th</b>	<b>Children in Need</b> Year 6 football tournament Year 4/5 swimming	Football (Y4-6)

### WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Week ending: 27th October 2023

<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	
Nursery	80.95%	
Reception	88.82%	
Year 1/2	87.5%	
Year 3/4	93.92%	
Year 4/5	88.21%	
Year 6	98.8%	

Congratulations to Year 6 for having the highest attendance!

### PARENTS' EVENING

A reminder that Parents' Evening is taking place next week, on Monday for Mrs Williams' Class (Year 6) and Tuesday for all other classes. Please check your child's diary for your confirmed appointment time, and speak to your child's class teacher if you have not yet booked an appointment.

Staff have done their best to accommodate all requests as close to the time requested as possible, and in the order in which they were received.

### PARENT PAY

A growing number of Parent Pay accounts are in debt and this costs school, which ultimately has to come out of our school budget, which is already stretched.

A reminder that the account must be pre-loaded and kept in credit so that the cost of school meals or snacks can be deducted each time they are ordered by your child. If debt becomes significant, the kitchen staff are not allowed to continue to provide a meal and if funds are not available, a snack cannot be ordered.

Whilst we recognise that the cost of living is causing lots of issues currently, we must ask that you keep your ParentPay account topped up and avoid getting into debt, or provide a packed lunch for your child. Please check your Parent Pay account to make sure that the school meals and snack account has funds available.

You may also want to check whether your financial situation meets the criteria for Free School Meals and make an application for support: [Apply for free school meals - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/apply-for-free-school-meals)

You can set up reminders to alert you when your child's school meals and snack balance is getting low, and you can also set up regular direct debit payments to make sure that the account is always topped up.

Thank you for supporting us in this matter.

### CHILDREN IN NEED

#### TOGETHER WE CAN CHANGE YOUNG LIVES

Next Friday, 17th November children are invited to wear their own clothes in return for a donation of £1, in support of the work of Children in Need.

Thank you in anticipation of your support for this fantastic cause.



### EARLY YEARS ADMISSIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

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If your child will be starting Nursery or Reception in September, we would like to extend an invitation to you to come and visit our school.

All are welcome at St Vincent's - we look forward to welcoming you!

Contact our school office on 01925 726544 to arrange your personal tour

If your child is due to start school (Nursery or Reception) in September 2024, we would like to extend an invitation to you to come and visit our school. Please contact school to book a visit.

If you know of someone else with a child due to start school, please pass this information on or direct them to Twitter, Facebook or our school website.

### Reception Class Applications

All applications for Reception class must now be made online. The web address for those families living in Warrington is: [Primary school admissions | warrington.gov.uk](https://primary.school.admissions|warrington.gov.uk) For those living outside of Warrington, please contact the Local Authority Admissions team where you live to find out how to apply. Please also return the Supplementary Faith Form to school.

*A reminder for those parents / carers of children in our Nursery—unfortunately, even though your child is already attending St Vincent's, you must still apply through the Local Authority to secure a place in Reception for September 2024.*

### Nursery Applications

Application forms can be found on the school website: [St Vincent's Catholic Primary School - Admission into Nursery \(stvincentsprimary.org\)](https://stvincentsprimary.org) Please return completed application forms to school.

### OUT OF SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS



Congratulations to Thomas and Sophia in their recent Irish Dancing Competition

### PRIMARY ABILITY DAY

A group of our children had a brilliant time at the Primary Ability Day yesterday, and had the chance to join in with lots of different activities and sports! Well done to you all!



## Autumn SALE!

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for Only £7

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REMEMBRANCE DAY

Ahead of Remembrance Day tomorrow, our school fell silent to pay our respects at 11am today, led beautifully by our Year 6 children, who explained the significance of the poppy, shared stories of local heroes and prayed for a more peaceful world:

"Blessed are those who work for peace;  
God will call them his children" (Matthew 5:9)

Future dates for your diary...

- **Sunday 3rd December:** First Sunday of Advent
- **Monday 20th November:** Y6 road safety session
- **Wednesday 22nd November:** Catch up flu immunisation (NOTE NEW DATE)
- **Thursday 23rd November:** Reception vision screening
- **Sunday 26th November:** Singing at Warrington's Weekend Wonderland
- **Friday 1st December:** Year 6 Crucial Crew
- **Thursday 7th December:** Christmas Jumper Day and Sponsored Elf Run for St Rocco's
- **Tuesday 12th December:** Parish Christingle Service
- **Wednesday 20th December:** School closes for Christmas

Plans for everything Christmas are being finalised and will be confirmed separately next week once dates with Church have been agreed so that you can book time to attend events and be part of these wonderful celebrations!

YEAR 6 THEATRE TRIP

Year 6 had an amazing time at The Liverpool Empire Theatre yesterday, where they had a backstage tour, workshop and watched a brilliant performance of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. Have a look at Twitter and Facebook to see more of what they did!

ODD SOCK DAY FOR ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

Next week is Anti-Bullying Week and the theme this year is:



The children will be taking part in a range of activities about friendship, respect, celebrating difference and diversity, and leaving a positive footprint in the lives of others, as well as making sure that they understand what bullying is and how to deal with it. Our School Council will be leading activities throughout the week too.

Our anti-bullying policy is available on the school website and posters are displayed around school as a reminder to the children.

On Monday, we invite the children to wear **ODD SOCKS** along with normal uniform, in celebration of our differences and diversity to launch anti-bullying week celebrations.