

Focus on World Book Day

What a very busy and amusing time we have had enjoying and discussing books this week. All the children and adults have had great fun making potato and wooden spoon characters, and have enjoyed lots of other activities to celebrate World Book Day.



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*Believe, Trust and Be Ready
"That they may have life, and to
the full" John 10:10*

Gospel Contemplations by Mrs Holland

This week we are taken to John's gospel where we see Jesus becoming angry in the temple because of people selling goods there. This is a well-known piece of scripture and is one of the very few places in all of the gospels where we see Jesus as human displaying a very human emotion: anger. I think we can look at this piece of scripture in terms of what the temple was being used for at this time. Was it a place to pray or was it a market place as Jesus deemed? Actually, for centuries, it would have been both but that doesn't make it right. We can compare this to how we perceive some of the sacraments today. When our children make their First Holy Communion, for example, do we consider the importance of this as a sacrament and the closeness to God our child will feel, or do we get caught up in the monetary trappings – the dress, the party etc? Of course, the response to this is personal, but maybe we all need to take a step back and remember the importance of God in our lives at the most basic level without the distractions of added extras.

Star of the Week Awards

This afternoon I named the children who will receive the Star of the Week awards for this week.
Star of the Week Award – Super work and effort.

Year Group	STARS OF THE WEEK	
Reception	Noah	Beatrice
Year 1	Conor	Judy
Year 2	Olivia C	Malachy
Year 3	Jacob H	Alice
Year 4	Poppy	Aadhya
Year 5	Steven	Cahir
Year 6	Evangeline	Rosie

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are really looking forward to welcoming your children back to our St. Vincent's family on Monday. As a school we will continue to follow government guidance and ask that you, as a family, do so as well to keep our whole school community safe and well. Updated risk assessments and policies are on our website for you to read.

<http://www.stvincentsknutsford.co.uk/page/policies-statements/29366>

Have a lovely weekend with your family.

Miss Groarke and everyone at St. Vincent's

Fairtrade Fortnight

Over the last two weeks, at home and at school, we have been researching Fairtrade. We have been learning about making choices. To make a choice we need to know a bit about what our options are. Many of our choices will have an effect on other people. Our choices are powerful. Everyday we make many choices that touch the lives of other people all over the world. KS2 have been making posters about Fairtrade and Reception and KS1 have been sorting and classifying food items. All year groups have enjoyed using Fairtrade ingredients to make exciting recipes over the last two weeks.



Masked Reader

We have had great fun this week being reading detectives trying to work out which adult in school has read the story. So far there are 14 masked reader stories on Teams for the children to identify the adult behind the disguise. They will be revealed on Monday in class. Have fun this weekend trying to guess who the 14 people are!



Red Nose Day – 19th March

We will be celebrating Red Nose day and selling red noses (once they arrive in school) via ParentPay at £1.50 a nose. This year it's never felt more important to have some fun and raise money to support people living through incredibly tough times. We need the power of funny to turn laughs into lasting change. On Friday 19th March children can come to school in their own clothes, wearing red!

Please remember

Children, parents and staff must not attend school if they are feeling unwell or are displaying any of the symptoms that could be caused by coronavirus. The main symptoms are:

- a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature);
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual);
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you have noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

You are advised to stay at home and get tested. Anyone who displays symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) can and should get a test.

Monday 8th March

Please ensure your child has the following on Monday 8th March:

- A coat - no matter what the weather;
- Any necessary medication;
- A water bottle with a sports type lid (the ones which pull up to open – NOT a screw lid);
- Key stage 2 children to bring a snack of fruit only (Reception and Key Stage 1 children will have a piece of fruit provided);
- A packed lunch if required;
- Completed home learning work and any resources that belong to school.

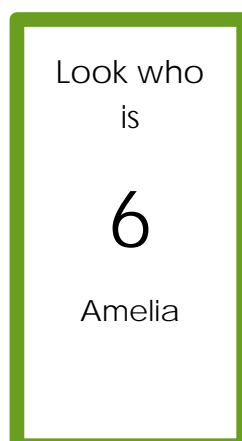
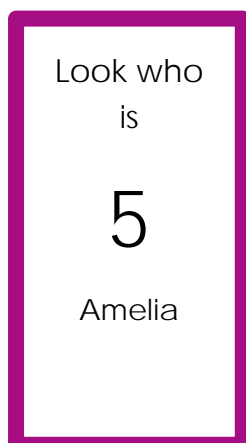
All items **MUST** be clearly marked with the child's name.

Please do **NOT** bring:

- A school bag (to be reviewed again at Easter);
- A pencil case (School will provide all necessary equipment).

Birthday Wishes!

"Happy Birthday" to the following children:-



Start/Finish Times

Please ensure that children are at school for the right time relevant to their class. Please do not come onto school site more than five minutes before your allotted time. All adults and children of secondary school need to wear a face covering and keep to the one way system.

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Start time	8.50 (Reception gate)	8.55 (Reception gate)	8.50 (KS1 door)	8.55 (Y3/Y4 door)	8.50 (Y3/Y4 door)	8.55 (Y5/Y6 door)	8.50 (Y5/Y6 door)
Home time	3.10 (Reception gate)	3.15 (Reception gate)	3.10 (KS1 door)	3.15 (Y3/Y4 door)	3.10 (Y3/Y4 door)	3.15 (Y5/Y6 door)	3.10 (Main gate)

The Week Ahead

	Start Time	End Time
Monday 8th March 2021		
All children return to school and bring Home Learning books in	AM	
Year 3 Forest Schools – come to school wearing clothes for outside learning.		PM
Tuesday 9th March 2021		
Year 4 Clarinet – remember to bring instruments into school		PM
Fr David in School to see Year 2		PM
Wednesday 10th March 2021		
Thursday 11th March 2021		
Friday 12th March 2021		
Reception Forest Schools – come to school wearing clothes for outside learning.		PM

Father David and St. Vincent's Church

Please remember public acts of worship are permitted. Church is open for masses: - Tuesday to Friday – 9:30 am, Saturday – 5:30 pm and Sunday – 9:00 am and 11:00 am.

It is still restricted on numbers so please book before attending Church.

<https://www.picktime.com/stvincentdepaul>