

Focus on Egg hunts

As the children have been so brilliant, we decided they could have an early Easter treat of an Easter Egg hunt. Each class in their bubble, had to follow clues to find plastic eggs and letters scattered around the playgrounds. The KS2 classes had to work in teams to unscramble the letters and make two words. It was such a delight to see all the children working together and helping each other to solve the clues.



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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's gospel reading tells us of the woman who poured a very expensive jar of ointment onto Jesus' head. The people who saw this were angry as they felt she could have sold the ointment and used the money to help the poor. However, what they didn't understand was she was anointing Jesus in preparation for his death. It was actually an act of kindness and compassion she had performed. We should always aim to perform acts of kindness within our community no matter what others think. If we see somebody who is scared or worried or experiencing troubles, often a word or gesture of kindness can make a huge difference to them without costing us anything. Kindness and compassion are such powerful tools which we should all use as much as we can.

Behaviour Awards

This morning I gave out badges in assembly, well done everybody!

Good Conduct Award – Excellent attitude in all aspects of school life.

Courtesy Award – Good manners and polite behaviour.

Merit Award – Super work and effort in a particular area of the Curriculum.

Year Group	Good Conduct Award	Courtesy Award	Merit Award
Reception	Stanley	Audrey	Amelia
Year 1	Ivan	Jane	Amelia
Year 2	Elliot	Elissa	Alec
Year 3	Rocco	Daniel	Audrey
Year 4	Ava	Erin	Rosie
Year 5	Tom	Alexa	Joe
Year 6	Jack	Storm	Tabitha

Dear Parents and Carers,

All your children and staff have worked extremely hard yet again this week. During this week your children have been completing assessments. We will feed back the results of these assessments to you after Easter at parents evening. Parents evening will be during the week commencing 26th April via Teams. Further details will be sent on Monday 19th April and bookings will go live via the website on Tuesday 20th April.

Have a lovely week with your family.

Miss Groarke and everyone at St. Vincent's

Holy Week Reflections

Every morning next week we will put on Teams a Holy Week reflection performed by our KS2 classes.

On Monday Year 3 will reflect on Palm Sunday, Tuesday Year 4 will reflect on the Last Supper, Wednesday Year 5 will reflect on the Garden of Gethsemane and on Thursday Year 6 will reflect on the Crucifixion. These short reflections have proved to be very powerful in the past, linking prayer, drama and music in a very thought-provoking way. They will be shared with all classes in school in their bubbles and the videos will be placed in the Holy Week folder in Teams for you to watch together at home. Holy Week is a time when we can help to give our children a greater understanding and appreciation of our Catholic traditions.

Holy Week

All classes have been discussing the many parts of Holy Week this week. In Reception and Year 1 they have made Easter gardens.



Father David and St. Vincent's Church

Bookings for Holy Week and Easter Sunday via Church website are available now. There is still restrictions on numbers so please book before attending Church.

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

Y5 & Y6 Swimming

All being well, swimming for Year 5 and Year 6 will start on the afternoon of Wednesday 21st April 2021 and run every week up until half term. The swimming fees for the spring term are £16.50 per pupil. This consists of 6 swimming sessions, coach hire, hire of the swimming pool and the swimming tutor. Please ensure you log into ParentPay to give your consent and payment as soon as possible and before 19th April. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

NSPCC's 'Speak out. Stay safe' online programme

The NSPCC have developed an online version of their 'Speak out. Stay safe' programme to help overcome some of the challenges that the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic has presented. In the online assembly, the 'Speak out. Stay safe' messages continue to be delivered in a fun and interactive way with the help of their mascot Buddy as well as special guest appearances from Ant and Dec. If you would like to know more about the 'Speak out. Stay safe' programme you can find more information on the NSPCC website www.nspcc.org.uk/speakout.

We have been participating in the NSPCC's 'Speak out. Stay safe' online programme. This consists of an online assembly and supporting classroom based activities. 'Speak out. Stay safe' is a safeguarding programme available to all primary schools in the UK. It aims to help children understand abuse in all its forms and to recognise the signs of abuse in a child friendly, interactive way. Children are taught to speak out if they are worried, either to a trusted adult or ChildLine.

Forest Schools

Year 6 and Year 2 had a brilliant time at Forest School this week with our amazing Miss Hughes. Forest School aims to promote the holistic development of all involved, fostering resilient, confident, independent and creative learners as well as having fun! It offers learners the opportunity to take supported risks appropriate to the environment and to themselves.



Birthday Wishes!

"Happy Birthday" to the following children:-

Look who
is

7

Alice

Look who
is

8

Harry

Look who
is

9

Beatrix

Look who
is

10

Joe

The Week Ahead

Subject	Start Time	End Time
Monday 29th March		
Year 5 Forest Schools – come to school wearing clothes for outside learning.		PM
Year 6 – Chemistry with Cabbage	All day	
Tuesday 30th March		
YEAR 5 Lenten Penitential Service		PM
Year 4 - NO CLARINET		
Wednesday 31st March		
YEAR 6 Lenten Penitential Service		PM
Thursday 1st April		
YEAR 4 Lenten Penitential Service		PM
Break up for Easter Holidays		3.10/3.15
Friday 2nd April		
Good Friday – SCHOOL CLOSED		

Start/Finish Times

Please ensure that children are at school for the **correct 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 age 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)

IMPORTANT: 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.