

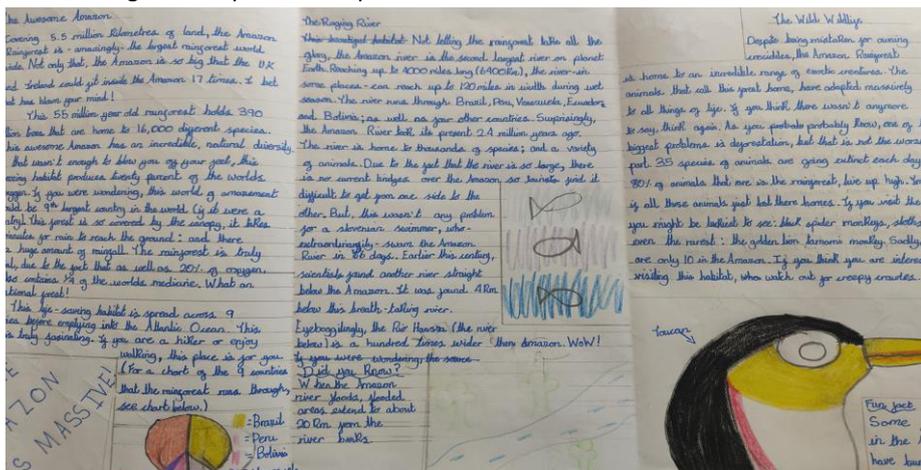
## Focus on...Year 6

This week, Year 6 have been very busy - as always! On Monday we had Forest School with Miss Hughes, which we always really enjoy. For this session, as well as studying plant and animal adaptations (linked to our Science topic on evolution and inheritance), Miss Hughes challenged us to build the tallest structure which could support an egg on the top, made from natural materials! We were very competitive, but the eventual winners were Penny, James, Charlotte and Thomas H.



In Art this week, we have continued to look at Japanese Art. After learning all about the balance between light and dark (or positive and negative space), we created our own Japanese 'Notan' pictures. Notan literally means 'light dark balance'! Working on these was the quietest Mrs Bullen has seen us all week!!

Finally, our big focus over the last week has been to produce some spectacular and informative leaflets all about the Amazon Rainforest. This links with our Geography topic on South America, as well as our current class text 'The Explorer' by Katherine Rundell. Mrs Bullen was very impressed with our fantastic research, note making and drafting skills as part of this process - not to mention the beautiful final leaflets!



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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

Before Jesus ascended into heaven, he promised the disciples he would send the Holy Spirit to guide them. They did not fully understand what he meant at that point but when it happened, and they were filled with the Holy Spirit, the enormity of it was evident. The gospel this week goes on to talk about the unique relationship between the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit: the mystery of the Holy Trinity. This is often difficult to understand but I sometimes wonder whether we actually need to understand it, or is it enough to accept it and embrace the love and comfort that having God in our lives brings. We don't always understand why things happen in our lives but we trust in God and know that the Holy Spirit is within us to guide us and help us. Having faith truly is a gift and we should share that gift not only by accepting the presence of the Holy Spirit, but by allowing the Holy Spirit to work through us to help others.

## Behaviour Awards

This morning I gave out our badges in whole school Team 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	Matthew	Beatrice	Robyn
Year 1	Martha	Annie	Edward C
Year 2	Mae	Freddie	Daniel
Year 3	Harry	Mikolaj	Daisy
Year 4	Alice	Charlie	Rohanna
Year 5	Vincent	Max	Livia
Year 6	Lucy	Alice	Cait

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another busy week- where does all the time go? This afternoon I had the pleasure of being with Miss Quinn and her Reception class when she released her butterflies into God's wonderful world. It was lovely to see the awe and wonder on the children's faces as they named the butterflies and they flew off.

During the week I have given Head teacher awards for amazing writing, brilliant maths, for children showing great kindness, using their initiative and helping others in their classes. The majority of children did better than I did for the Walk to School week, as I only managed it once. I'm blaming the weather! Well done if you managed to walk to school this week.

Thank you to everyone who filled in the Parent Questionnaire. All your feedback is important to us, both in celebrating what a wonderful school community we have and in reviewing current practice. Once we have analysed your feedback, we will share the results with you.

Have an enjoyable weekend with your family.

God bless,

Miss Groarke and everyone at St. Vincent's



## PTA Fun Ball Friday Lottery

Today was the third PTA Fun Ball Friday draw. Today's lucky ball was number 9. Congratulations to Parents of Henry (Reception). They won £75. Don't forget you have to be in it to win it!

You have until 5pm Thursday to buy your ball - £2 each (via ParentPay) for next Friday's draw. GOOD LUCK!

## Year 2

Year 2 have been creative this week! We have created our own incised block print by engraving an outline of an animal onto a polystyrene tile, and then using it to print with. We have also enjoyed singing and listening to songs on the theme of 'Friendship' and accompanying our singing using glockenspiels. We really are becoming quite good!



## RSE (Relationships and Sex Education) consultation letter

Please read the letter regarding the parental consultation for our new Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) scheme 'Ten Ten – Life to the Full'. The letter also contains your log in details. Please send us your feedback via email (admin@stvincents.cheshire.sch.uk and lholland@stvincents.cheshire.sch.uk) by **Wednesday 9th June 2021**.

## Father David and St. Vincent's Church

Thank you to Fr David for visiting Year 4 children yesterday in preparation for making their First Holy Communion in June. Father will be visiting again next week to see their books that they have been completing at home. Please remember if you would like to go to Church there is still restrictions on numbers so please book before attending Church. <https://www.picktime.com/stvincentdepaul>



## ZooLab

There are millions of living things in the world! Next Wednesday each class will have a session with ZooLab. During these sessions children will investigate different types of animals. In the sessions they will be discussing how Scientists put living things into groups to make it easier to study and learn more about them. They will learn how they are classified, looking at their differences and similarities between groups of animals.

## House Points

In assembly our House Captains and Vice Captains joined some of us in the hall to count up house points. House points are awarded throughout the week for all kinds of achievement or for good behaviour in all classes. The house points totals were revealed as follows:-

St. Andrew	St. David	St. George	St. Patrick
18	18	20	21

Well done to this week's winning house – St. Patrick.

## Polite Reminder

The Fitness Zone equipment is for playtimes only and should not be used before and after school. Thank you for your understanding and support in this matter.

## Birthday Wishes!

Happy birthday to the following children:

Look who  
is  
**5**  
Matthew  
Ella

Look who  
is  
**7**  
Theo

Look who  
is  
**10**  
Luca  
Hester

Look who  
is  
**11**  
Georgie

## The Week Ahead

Subject	Start Time	End Time
<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May</b>		
<b>Year 3 Forest Schools</b> - come to school wearing clothes for outside learning. Please wear long trousers. No football kits please.		
<b>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> May</b>		
<b>Year 4 Music Lesson – remember clarinets</b>		PM
<b>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May</b>		
<b>Swimming for Y5 &amp; Y6 – Please remember swimming kits</b>		PM
<b>ZooLab visit to school</b>		
<b>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May</b>		
<b>Break up for Half Term</b>		3.10/3.15
<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May</b>		
<b>INSET Day – No school</b>		

### 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.

**Anyone who displays symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) must get a test.**

### 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
<b>Start time</b>	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)
<b>Home time</b>	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)

### School drop off and collection

When dropping off or collecting your child please remember to keep two metres apart from people not in your household, wear face coverings and wash/sanitise your hands before and afterwards – all these actions help to reduce the spread of the infection.