

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2017

## NEWSLETTER No. 29



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week certainly has flown by, even though it's only been a four day week our children have worked incredibly hard and celebrated many achievements. Thank you for all the kind words, cards and gifts on my recent appointment as Head Teacher, they are much appreciated, St. Vincent's is such a wonderful community. If you are out and about in Knutsford this weekend have a lovely time and enjoy the parade!

### *Spotlight On... Year 5 and the Halle!*



Over the past few weeks our Year 5 children have had an amazing experience working with the Halle. Many thanks to our adopted player Hannah Smith a violinist from the Halle, who taught the children the piece. Thank you also to Mrs Petrie, Mrs Neale, Mrs Cox and Miss Edmunds for giving up their own time to accompany the children to their rehearsals and to performances. We received amazing feedback from the Halle regarding the behaviour and talent of our children; they were excellent ambassadors for our school and I know they all had a fantastic time. Thank you to Manchester airport for sponsoring the event.

*Many instruments were played and many hands were clapped. Best night ever! – Sophie C*

*The music created was fun, exciting and a joy to listen to - Du vessa K*

*After our performance the audience stood up and applauded us, it was one of the best experiences of my life! - Kate B*

*The four dancers and Josh on the violin added extra brilliance to our piece – Sam B*

*Everyone loved it and it was an incredible performance – Leo V*

*When it was all over I was so tired, but I think everyone was! – Lucas B*

*Fantastic, everything was amazing as Year 5 went on the best school trip in history!– Liam H*

**Awards** - Congratulations to our weekly badge winners.

**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	Annie B	Siobhan M	Liam M
Year 1	Victoria H	Jack D	Luca G
Year 2	Tabitha H	Nancy A	Alex S
Year 3	Ann G	Daniel J	Beth B
Year 4	Jack S	Connor G	Evie M
Year 5	Sandor V	Emily N	Louis J
Year 6	Caitlin O'D	Lily B	Florence G-B

### Year 6 SATs

Next week our Year 6 pupils will be sitting their end of Key Stage external assessments – a very important time for them all. We are confident that they will do very well indeed as they are such a hard-working, able and conscientious group. Please keep them in your prayers.

I will be involved in the invigilation and administration of these tests and so would appreciate it if non-urgent requests are delayed until SATs have finished. Please also note that if you are visiting school that noise is kept to a minimum in the area around the main entrance and hall area. Many thanks.

### Parent Readers

There will be no parent reading sessions next Wednesday due to SATs taking place.

### Routines

If your child will be going home with somebody different at the end of the school day please let your child's teacher know or send in a message via the office. Thank you for your understanding.

### Calling all you gardeners!

Would you be able to spare just one morning? We are looking for a group of about 5 or 6 adults that could help Miss Hughes and some of our children. We want to clear, tidy and plant in our outdoor area and also prepare plants and ornaments for our entry into the RHS Flower Show. If you are able to offer your support please send an email in to school with your preferred day(s) and we will be in touch. Many thanks for your support.

### PE kits

Please check your child has their white T-shirt, green shorts and black pumps or trainers in school on their PE days.

### KS1 SATs

Mrs Cox asks all Year 2 children to have early nights prior to the following dates: 16/05, 17/05, 19/05, 24/05 and 25/05.

### Attendance – Well done Years 2 & 6!

Reception	97.5%	Year 1	97%
Year 2	100%	Year 3	98.3%
Year 4	98.4%	Year 5	98.9%
Year 6	100%		

### New Arrivals

The reception chicks started to arrive earlier than anticipated, luckily Mrs Dowler had been checking over the long weekend and the first signs of arrival started on bank holiday Monday. We now have five healthy chicks in the reception classroom, much to the delight of the children! We will keep you updated on their progress.

### Readathon

Thank you to all the children who took part in the Readathon, we raised an amazing £803.50! If there is any outstanding sponsorship money please send it into the school office next week. Thank you.

## Cheshire Cup Winners

Cheshire Cup Winners  
On Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April, the Knutsford Under 11s team played in the Cheshire cup 2017 at Winnington Park.  
Our first 3 games didn't go as we were hoping for. We were against some tough sides. After a bad start, we were put in the bowl pool. There were three trophies to win: The cup, the bowl and the plate. Playing well, we stormed through the pool, beating three teams, we were into the final against Sandbach. It was a tough match but we played as a team and got the win we wanted.  
We were presented the trophy and went home with high spirits.  
By  
Jack, Dan and Sol



Well done to Daniel, Solomon, Jack and the rest of their team.



## Year 3/ 4 Badminton Festival

Last night we took 7 children to Knutsford leisure centre for the latest KSSP event. The children were shown various badminton techniques and then took to the courts to practice their skills. Well done to Harry, Sammy, James, Daniel, Zack, Edward and also Joseph who received a special prize of a racket bag for beating one of the coaches during the event. Report by Coach Dave



Thank you to everyone who joined us for our PTA meeting last night in the Legh Arms. We certainly had a full house! Planning for **Party in the Park** was the main item on our agenda, and we had some fantastic new ideas to make it a special day out for our school community. If you would like to be involved in planning the event, or if you are available to volunteer on the day please see any member of the PTA Committee. We would be delighted to have you on board.

### Dates for your Diary:

Dads Golf Day: Friday 12th May      School Disco: Friday 19th May      Party in the Park: Saturday 8th July

### Knutsford Primary Schools Ball - mask decorating competition.

A big thank you and well done to all the children who entered the schools ball mask decorating competition. We received over 50 beautiful, colourful and unique entries which will be used to decorate the marquee on the evening of the ball.

Mrs Davies had the extremely difficult task of choosing the winning entries and we are delighted to announce that after much deliberation, the deserving winners are Jacob F from KS1 and Jemima R from KS2. Congratulations! Mrs Davies presented them both with their Waterstones voucher this afternoon.



### Cake Sale at Pre-School

Pre-School are holding a cake sale on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May from 3pm.

## The Week Ahead SATs Week

Subject	Start Time	End Time
<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017</b>		
Multisports	15:15	16:15
<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2017</b>		
Bendy, Balancing Bodies	15:15	16:00
<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017</b>		
<b>No Parent readers due to SATs week</b>		
Nature Explorer's Club	15:15	16:00
No Streetdance as Rebecca has a production – parents have not been charged		
KS1 Football	15:15	16:15
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2017</b>		
Mixed Sports Club (Tennis & Golf)	15:15	16:15
Drama Club	15:15	16:15
Arts & Crafts Club	15:15	16:15
Football Festival – Reception at Egerton Youth Club	15:45	17:00
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2017</b>		
Y6 Picnic on the Moor		
Y4 Remember Musical Instruments		
KS2 Football	15:15	16:15

**Please check our online calendar for all future dates / events.**



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