

Focus on.....Year 3

In Year 3, we have been settling well into Key Stage 2 and enjoying all our new topics. We've been learning about coastal features and making our own maps of Scarborough in our Geography lessons, making wanted posters for Mr Fox in English, and this week we showed off our cooking abilities when making seasonal tarts in D&T.

In Science, we have been learning about different types of skeletons and, this week, we had Ruby the tortoise join us as a special guest in our science lesson to show us an example of an animal with both an endoskeleton and an exoskeleton.

Everyone in Year 3 has been working hard, so keep up the good work everybody!



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

Time to Reflect

by Mrs Davies

The gospel focus this week was from Matthew 21:28-32. It tells us the importance of actions not words. Jesus reminds us that doing the right thing is much better than saying you'll do the right thing but then do nothing. Let us all try to share what we have with others.



Behaviour Awards

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	Courtesy	Merit award - comment
Reception	Thomas	Georgia	Jessica – for brilliant reading.
Year 1	Max	Florence H	Isabella P – applying new phase 5 sounds to her writing.
Year 2	Alfie	Isla	Joe – for a super retelling of Moses story in RE.
Year 3	Harryett	Robyn	Amelia – for working hard in all areas, especially her reading.
Year 4	Jane	Alissa	Molly – super effort with extended writing.
Year 5	Elliot	Heidi	Joel – a fantastic effort with assembly!
Year 6	Jacob	James	Arthur – for impressing everyone with his incredible general knowledge.

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can't believe we have just finished our fifth week back at school – it really has flown by so quickly! We've had another very busy week in school and it's good to see how enthusiastic and hard-working the children are across all areas – both curricular and extra-curricular. Well done to all the children who took part in netball, football and hockey events this week.

It was also lovely to see so many Reception parents and carers at our 'Stay and Learn' session on Tuesday. Thanks goes to Miss Quinn for giving a very detailed presentation on how Phonics is taught at school and giving lots of ideas and how you can support your child at home. After the presentation, there was time for the adults to work with their child in the classroom area. It was lovely to see the children's smiles as they played phonic games and showed you around their classroom and outside area.

Today Year 5 were amazing in their class assembly. They have certainly learnt a lot in only 5 weeks. Well done Miss Liddy and all Year 5.

Have a lovely weekend with your families.

God Bless,

Miss Groarke and everyone at St. Vincent's

Year 5 class assembly



'The Year 5 class assembly was good for our confidence. It gave us experience of performing in front of a crowd. Maybe one of us will become the next Elvis Presley or Taylor Swift?! Everyone played a significant role. It was a great experience for everyone', by Thomas and Caylem.

CAFOD Paper Biscuits

The Year 6 children made and sold paper biscuits at break time today. Thank you to everyone that brought money in for the paper biscuits. We have raised £29.00 for CAFOD. Well done Year 6!



Paul Sturges - Basketball

Next week Paul Sturges is coming to do workshops in school. Paul Sturges is a British former professional basketball player. He was officially measured by Guinness World Records in November 2011 at 7 ft 7.26 in (2.32 m). Sturges was the tallest college basketball player in the United States. We are all looking forward to meeting him!

House Points

House points are awarded throughout the week for all kinds of achievement or for good behaviour in all classes. The house point totals for this week were as follows:

St. Andrew	St. David	St. George	St. Patrick
15	23	25	14

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

Attendance

Reception	87.1%	Year 4	96.7%
Year 1	96.6%	Year 5	97.3%
Year 2	96%	Year 6	99.6%
Year 3	97.6%		

WELL DONE YEAR 6 – AMAZING ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK!

Parents Evening – 18th and 19th October

An email was sent out yesterday with instructions on how to access the School Spider Parent's Evening portal. The booking system will go live on Monday morning at 9am and will remain open until Monday 16th October. In preparation for booking appointments, it would be useful if you could check over the weekend to make sure you can log onto the parent's part of the website. Please email Mrs Watson in the school office with any issues.

Netball



'Brilliant teamwork from our netball team when we played Mobberley Primary school. We scored 5 goals – Kyra, Isla and Connie. They beat us 10-5 however, everyone tried really hard and played excellently for our first match of the year. Well done everyone who played', by Connie and Harvey.

Football v Mobberley Primary School

Well done to the football team this week who played football against Mobberley Primary School.

The team lost 2 – 0 however they played brilliantly and showed amazing teamwork.



Harvest Festival

This year our Harvest Festival will take place on Friday 20th October in the school hall at 2.15pm. Each class will contribute a small piece; this may be a class song, poem, or a reflection. We will be joined by Father David and we invite you to join us too. More information will be in next week's newsletter.

Birthday Wishes!

Many happy returns for this week to:



Safeguarding

We have a dedicated Safeguarding and E- Safety page on our website in the Virtual Office. <http://stvincentsknutsford.co.uk/page/safeguarding-and-e-safety/29365> This provides you with information to support keeping safe, including keeping safe online, together with key contacts. Our Designated Safeguarding Lead is Miss Groarke, the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads are Mrs Davies and Mrs Dowler.

Year 3 / 4 Hockey Taster

'Yesterday, Year 3 and 4s went out to play hockey. We did some passing to partners for a bit, then, we played dribbling games like dribbling through cones. Finally, we played a match for 5 minutes', by Chloe (Y4).

Letter from the King



We were deeply touched by your most kind and thoughtful message following our Coronation. We are enormously grateful to everyone who took part in the celebrations, and particularly appreciate that you so generously took the time to write to us on this very special occasion.

Charles *Camilla*



To: The Pupils and Staff
St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Primary School

The King has asked me to thank you for your colourful card, sent in celebration of Their Majesties' Coronation.

The King was deeply touched that you should have taken the trouble to write, and would have me convey his warmest good wishes to all of the pupils and staff at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Primary School.

I am to thank you once again for your thoughtful message at this time of celebration.

Yours sincerely,

Thomas Lodge

Head of Royal Correspondence

29th September, 2023

Miss Quinn was really pleased to receive this letter from the King. Every child in Year 1 received their own copy today.

Forest School

This week in forest school, Year 3 worked on their map reading and orienteering skills and worked in pairs to create routes around the field. We also made some skeletons using sticks to help us with our science topic this term. There has been lots of team working this week from Year 3!



A reminder to everyone that we will be holding our **PTA AGM next Thursday 12th October, at 6:30pm in the school hall.** We encourage as many of you to please try and make it. If you have children, you're welcome to bring them along as some adult supervision will be provided. It shouldn't take longer than an hour. Looking forward to seeing you there.

The Week Ahead	Start Time	End Time
Monday 9th October		
Y2 Forest Schools	PM	
Y4 Love Music Trust Wider Opportunities Music Lesson	PM	
D.R. Sports – Multi Sports (Y1-Y6) www.drsportsclubs.co.uk	15:30	16:30
Tuesday 10th October		
Basketball Workshops, all children	ALL	DAY
Wednesday 11th October		
Y1/Y2 Stay and Read Session	9:05	9:20
KS2 Love Music Trust After School Choir	15:25	16:30
D.R. Sports – Netball/Basketball (Y1-Y6) www.drsportsclubs.co.uk	15:30	16:30
Thursday 12th October		
Rock Steady Music		
Y3/Y4 Eco Club with Miss Hyland – sign up via ParentPay	15:30	16:30
Y1/Y2 board and card game club (last one)	15:30	16:30
PTA AGM, School Hall, everyone welcome	18:30	19:30
Friday 13th October		
Y3/Y4 Swimming – payment via ParentPay	PM	
Y4/Y5/Y6 Netball with Mrs Davies/Miss Liddy - email School office	15:30	16:15
D.R. Sports – KS2 Football www.drsportsclubs.co.uk	15:30	16:30

* DR Sports After School Clubs are booked directly through their website at www.drsportsclubs.co.uk



Father David and St. Vincent's Church

Masses at Knutsford: Sunday – 9:00 am and 11:00 am.

Masses at Lymm: Vigil Mass at 5.45pm on Saturdays and Mass at 10.30am on Sunday mornings at St Winefride's Booths Hill Rd Lymm, WA13 0DL that you are welcome to attend if they are more convenient.

MUMS AND TOTS AT ST. VINCENT'S PARISH CENTRE All preschool aged children and parents/carers are welcome every Friday (except the first Friday of the month) at the Parish Centre from 10am until 12.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will take place on Saturdays from 11.30am until Noon in Knutsford.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION is available after weekday Mass or during Saturday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and at any convenient time by appointment.

ENQUIRY GROUP: Are you interested in becoming a Catholic or learning more about the Catholic faith? The Enquiry Group will start meeting again on Thursday, 26 October at 7pm in the hall. All are welcome to come and learn more about our faith and support those who are seeking to become Catholics. If you would like to know more, please speak to Fr David.

PARISH QUIZ NIGHT Friday, 20 October at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. All are welcome to come and join in the fun. Bring your own drinks and nibbles.

CLOTHES FOR REUGEES: Donations of autumn and winter men's clothes particularly jumpers, socks and footwear are welcome to be dropped down at Church.