

Spotlight on House Captains and Vice Captains.

Last week, we announced the House Captains for each of our Houses - St. Andrew (blue) St. David (yellow) St. George (red) and St. Patrick (green). The House Captains are Year 6 children who are voted in by their Key Stage 2 House members. This week, we had 15 Year 5 children running for Vice Captain for their respective House and I am pleased to announce the results of the votes are: Melissa, Bella, Jacob and Patrick.



Well done to all who ran and I am sure our newly appointed Captains and Vice Captains will do a wonderful job in the year ahead.

St Andrew – Georgie & Melissa

St. David – Nancy & Bella

St. George – Rosie & Jacob

St. Patrick – Juliette & Patrick

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

The Gospel

This week's gospel talks about the generosity of God and how this may be different for different people. Sometimes, we may feel that certain things are unfair but we must remember that God has a plan for all of us. Part of the second reading this week says:

“But you must always behave in a way that is worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come to you and see for myself or whether I only hear all about you from a distance, I shall find that you are standing firm and united in spirit, battling, as a team with a single aim, for the faith of the gospel.” Philippians 1: 27

I feel it is so important to be united, as a team, in order to overcome any bump in the road which comes our way. We have such a wonderful team here at St. Vincent's and a wonderful community supporting us.

Behaviour Awards

This morning I gave out our first set of badges in each classroom, 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	Noah	Marrisa	Henry
Year 1	Thomas	Martha	Annie
Year 2	Ferreira	Ethan	Theo
Year 3	Elise	James	Georgie
Year 4	Elysia	Liam	Harrison
Year 5	Jonathan	Livia	Luca
Year 6	Charlotte	Imogen	Tabitha

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you have all had a lovely week and enjoyed some of the better weather we have had of late – long may that continue! Thank you for your patience and understanding while we made a few alterations to arrival and leaving timings this week. Just those small tweaks have helped our school day run much more smoothly. A gentle reminder though about **social distancing** around school at the beginning and end of the day. The government's new slogan is '**Hands. Face. Space.**' I have noticed that as parents, you are very social which is lovely, although can I remind you to be social at a safe distance from one another! Please do not arrive at school **too early** at drop off or pick up time as we are still seeing gatherings of parents/carers which we are trying to avoid to stop any spread of infections.

God Bless, Miss Groarke and the staff of St. Vincent's

RSE – Relationship and Sex Education

A reminder that changes to Relationship and Sex Education (RSE) will come into effect in both primary and secondary schools from this month. In primary schools, the focus will be on teaching the fundamental building blocks and characteristics of positive relationships, with particular reference to friendships, family relationships and relationships with other children and other adults. As a Catholic school, much of this is already taught through the Catholic Life of our school as we must also adhere to the wishes of our Bishop. We will be teaching the remainder of the new RSE curriculum through the use of carefully selected picture books ensuring coverage is at an age appropriate level which will be meaningful for our children. The policy for this, which is approved by our diocese, together with a list of the books we intend to use, can be found on our website in the virtual office - policies section. Please take the time to have a look and send any feedback, positive or negative, to admin@stvincents.cheshire.sch.uk by **Friday 3rd October**. Unfortunately, due to present circumstances, we are unable to offer you the opportunity to come into school to have a look at the picture books we intend to use, but all of them are recognised books which you should be able to find online if you would like to see a flavour of the stories used.

Remote Learning

At School we are developing our remote learning in case we have to send home a year group or lockdown the school. We would like your help to evaluate our systems we used during the summer term. Please complete the parent/ carer survey to give us your feedback.

We would appreciate if all parents and carers could complete the survey to help us fully evaluate our systems and effectively prepare the updated remote learning we could offer. Survey to be completed by **Friday 25th September**.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=wzle_GYs6EafozPbTNxap4Xvde5qYEdCl3IW9c1jKihUN1g2NEpUWkxKWDFNNVRR1dHOE9YOF0Ny4u

Pupil Premium Funding/Free School Meal entitlement

All children in Reception class, Y1 and Y2 are entitled to a free school meal under current Government policy; this is known as Universal Free School Meals. However, you may be entitled to Income Related Free School Meals if you are in receipt of a qualifying benefit. If this is the case, please apply for this even if your child is in Reception or Key Stage 1. The school can then claim additional funding for resources, known as Pupil Premium, which can be used to help your child when they are in school. The financial benefit of Pupil Premium will remain with your child throughout their school years. Phone 0300123 5012 for further information and help or apply online: https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schools/free_school_meals.aspx or contact Mrs Watson in the school office.

Threadworms

We currently have cases of threadworm in school. Please could you check your child over the weekend. Please follow the link for information about diagnosing, treating and preventing threadworms. <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/threadworms/> Thank you for your support.

Father John

Earlier this week we sent an email regarding Father John's retirement from our parish. Please take a look at it and if you wish to donate for his retirement gift, please do so via ParentPay by **Friday 25th September**.

St Vincent de Paul Church

Church is still open to welcome you to Mass. Please note: Each slot can accommodate one household. Social distancing means that they can only accommodate 25 households at mass. Please choose another mass time if the one you originally chose is full. In the 'Household Number' field type in how many people in your household are coming to mass (please use a number e.g. '2' NOT text e.g. 'two'.) Face masks must be worn in church (unless you are exempt). They will need your contact details to support track and trace. Please do try to attend.

Bookings should be made at: <https://www.picktime.com/stvincentdepaul>

St Vincent's Pre School - Starting Pre-school

If any parents have younger children who they would like to start at the pre-school before September 2021, please contact them as there are very limited places available. Cath Davies 01565 651948 or cath@stvincentspreschool.co.uk

P.T.A. - A.G.M.

What an amazing PTA St. Vincent's has! Some of the money raised over the past few years will be going towards the development of the playgrounds. Children, staff, parents and governors have all had input in how we can develop the playgrounds. We are now at the stage of getting quotes in from different companies. The PTA will be paying for an outdoor classroom and a M.U.G.A. (Multi Use Games Area) in 2020-2021. Please see an attached letter from our P.T.A. as they are unable to hold their usual A.G.M.

Reminder: Data Collection Sheets

If you haven't done so already, please could you complete and return the data collection sheet which was issued to you last Friday. It is important that we keep comprehensive and up to date records on our students. Thank you.

Birthday Wishes!

Look who is

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Ivan

Look who is

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Evan

Look who is

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Steven

Daniel

The Week Ahead

Subject	Start Time	End Time
Monday 21st September 2020		
Year 2 After School Sports (DR Sports)	15:15	16:30
Tuesday 22nd September 2020		
Year 4 Wider Opportunities Music	PM	
Year 3 After School Sports (DR Sports)	15:15	16:30
Wednesday 23rd September 2020		
Year 4 After School Sports (DR Sports)	15:15	16:30
Thursday 24th September 2020		
Year 5 After School Sports (DR Sports)	15:15	16:30
Friday 25th September 2020		
Y1 Balance Bikes	AM	
Year 6 After School Sports (DR Sports)	15:15	16:30

Sport by Coach Dave

Here is a lovely photo of the Reception class at the start of P.E enjoying their zoo warm up game. The children had to move around like their favourite animals... can you work out which animal they are in the photograph?

