

## Focus on.... Year 2 trip to Weaver Hall

On Monday Year 2 went on a school trip to Weaver Hall Museum and Workhouse in Northwich. Thank you to Andy Quicke, Angela Nield and Kerrin Sadler for helping on the day.

Here is Imogen and Charlie's description of their trip –

*"When we got there we were met by Toby and Jeremiah and they were Samuel Pepys' servants. We made Tussie Mussies and dressed as the Plague Doctor. We learnt to shout Gardez l'eau before you pour wee into the road and we had to pretend the carpet was on fire and pour buckets of water onto it."*



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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 tells us the story of 5 foolish and 5 wise bridesmaids. The wise were prepared for a wedding ceremony whereas the foolish were not; they thought they had time to prepare but ended up missing out on the celebrations. I think this Gospel is trying to help us realise that we should try to focus on the here and now rather than thinking we can always prepare for something tomorrow. By waiting, we take the chance of missing out. We may think we have all the time in the world but, as the final line of scripture says: ***"So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour."*** With a new wave of uncertainty upon us, we naturally look towards the future to a time where we can return to what is safe and reassuring to us. But we shouldn't discount the here and now. God is still here for us as long as we are prepared to seek and find Him. Don't wait for tomorrow. If we learn to live in the present – whatever that may mean for us – and look for God there, then the rest will take care of itself.

## Parish Website

<https://www.stvincentsknutsford.org/newsletters.html>

## Behaviour Awards

This morning I gave out 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	Audrey	Huey	Sebby
Year 1	Conor	Annie	Amelia
Year 2	Emma	Harrison	Ayla
Year 3	Rocco	Eoin	James Ma
Year 4	Louie	Lucas	Jack
Year 5	Joe	Will	Tom
Year 6	Adam	Jack	Harvey

## Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after a very wet half term holiday. We have had a very busy week in school with Year 2 trip, Year 6 council members joining a zoom call and the whole school skipping yesterday. It was also the start of lockdown again. Please help us to keep you and your child and our staff safe by following the Government guidelines.

- Only come onto the playground at your child's drop off and pick up time.
- Wear a face covering and keep space between each other.
- Leave the school site quickly via the one-way system.
- If you have any COVID symptoms keep your child off and get tested and please let us know your results ASAP.

Working together we can keep school open for all children.

God Bless

Bernadette Groarke and the St. Vincent's team

## Non-Uniform Day next Friday – Children in Need.

Next Friday is Children in Need. Please either wear Spots or Bright Colours on the day. To raise money for 'Children In Need' we ask a small donation of £1 per child via ParentPay (which will go live next week).

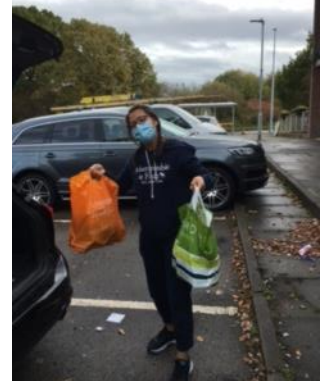
Please remember to click the 'gift aid' box if you are a UK tax payer as this enables us to claim an extra 25p for each pound donated.

## Parents Evening

Thank you to all our parents and carers for attending our very first Parents Evening via zoom. Also a massive thank you to all staff for all their hard work and for making zoom such a success. I sat in with Miss Quinn and it was lovely to hear how all our new Reception children have settled in school life. Working in partnership is key to each individual child's success.

## Thank you Harvest Festival Gifts

On the INSET day we took down your harvest gifts to the Welcome. They were so appreciative of them and thanked our school community for the support we are giving.



## Do you need help?

Please remember if you need any financial/ food support at this time please come and see me. I can make referrals for support to the Welcome, our SVP at church and Caritas charity. So if you are struggling please phone or email [admin@stvincents.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@stvincents.cheshire.sch.uk) for an appointment to see me.

## Shoe Box Appeal

The deadline for the return of the Christmas Shoe boxes is **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November** at the very latest. Many thanks for your continued support.

## Christmas Cards

Tonight your child will be bringing home a Christmas design that they have created in school. If you are impressed, please visit <https://www.apfsorders.co.uk/> where you will be asked to input the code that is found on the reverse of your Childs artwork. You will then have the opportunity of ordering a variety of items, all with your Childs design printed on them. These include Christmas cards, gift tags, wrapping paper, mugs and thermal water bottles. This is a great opportunity to raise funds for school but also a lovely way to keep in touch and bring some festive cheer to friends and family who you may not be able to celebrate with this Christmas in the usual or traditional way. If you do place an order, please ensure that the artwork is looked after and carefully returned to school by Tuesday 10th November so that it can be posted to 'Art Project' for scanning.

## Knutsford and District Youth Council

Millie and Alice our Year 6 School Councillors took part in a zoom meeting our Knutsford Mayor – Cllr Andrew Malloy. There were seven other schools that took part. The School councillors described what they like most about Knutsford and what they would like to see changed and improved.



## Remembrance

This week and next week our children will be focusing on the significance and history of Remembrance Sunday and on the symbol of the poppy. Thank you to all who supported our fundraising for the Poppy Appeal via ParentPay, it has been a new experience selling things this way!

## Thank you - the Marquee

On Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October (during half term) a willing group of volunteers led by Mrs Hales and Miss Hughes took down and cleaned the marquee ready for next summer. Thank you so much to all the staff, parents and children who came to help. The children all got head teacher awards on the day!



## KIRFs (Key Instant Recall Facts)

All children in Years 1 to 6 have their second sheet of KIRFs on the class page of the website. There will be a different sheet each half term. These facts are a very important part of the Maths that they will be learning this year. It is expected that all children will learn these and be able to apply them to their work in class.

## Playground development

The next stage in the playground development will start on Monday 16th November. Some of the new additions will include:

- A Multi use Games Area
- Artificial Grass Areas
- Tree seats and benches for a quiet space with bark flooring
- A variety of playground markings for creative play

## Internet Safety

The internet is a tool most of our children use daily and we need to teach them how to use it safely and appropriately. As adults, we are all aware of social media, its many advantages and the importance of using it in a positive way and how the internet can be a great resource if used correctly. In school, our children follow SMART rules. These are on our website (see link below). Please continue to check what your child is doing online regularly.

<http://stvincentsknutsford.co.uk/page/e-safety-/29365>

## Birthday Wishes

Look who is **9**

Nevaeh

Look who is **11**

Luca F

## The Week Ahead

Subject	Start Time	End Time
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2020</b>		
Y1 and Y5 Forest Schools (wear suitable clothes)		
Year 2 After School Sports (DR Sports)	15:15	16:30
<b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2020</b>		
Year 3 After School Sports (DR Sports)	15:15	16:30
<b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2020</b>		
Year 4 After School Sports (DR Sports)	15:15	16:30
<b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2020</b>		
Shoe Box Deadline		
Year 5 After School Sports (DR Sports)	15:15	16:30
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2020</b>		
Children in Need – Spots/Bright Colours Dressing Up Day		
Year 6 After School Sports (DR Sports)	15:15	16:30

## Skipping Day

Yesterday our children all took part in 'skipping day' and great fun was had by all.

