

Focus on.... Home Learning

Well done to all children who have successfully logged onto Teams, completed their home learning, and participated in live sessions – we are very proud of you all.

Please make sure that all children, whether at school or at home, have logged into all platforms to check they know how to do it. This includes Spelling Shed, My Maths etc. It is really important that **ALL** children can do this.

From tonight, children who are in school will be required to take home any work-books (CGP, Pearson, exercise books etc) and bring them in each day they are in school (This DOES NOT apply to children in Reception). They must do this even if they are in school every day. Books cannot remain in school overnight for any child as bubbles could be shut at any time. **It is your responsibility** to ensure your child brings them in each day they are in school as children in school are doing the same work as those at home.

Most children are accessing and using Teams remarkably well. However, it is important that all children remember to keep themselves safe on-line. Please see our website for information regarding this. Children must also follow certain rules while using Teams. They **MUST NOT** use the chat function for anything other than asking their teacher about the school work. Thank you for your support in this.

Times Table Rock Stars

The Battle of the Houses is going really well so far but it is not over yet! Please encourage your child (Year 2 – Year 6) to take part as every score adds to the total. The battle will finish at midday on Monday 18th January with the winning house being announced during the live assembly that afternoon.



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

The Gospel by Mrs Holland

The Gospel this week tells us of when two disciples – Andrew and Simon – first meet Jesus. Jesus invites them to 'Come and see' where he lives. This encounter is a key moment in the lives of the two disciples. Andrew and Simon were drawn to follow Jesus and so this becomes the most important turning point in their lives. This Gospel gives us chance to reflect on when we were first drawn to follow Jesus. For many of us, we were born into a Catholic family and so it was a way of life from birth. This is not the same thing as being called by Jesus. When did we first decide ourselves to follow in His footsteps? This is probably not something we think about often but if you take a moment to reflect upon that, you will remember the reason why you did. Let that sit with you awhile. Remember, faith is one of the most important things in our lives and when the world may be spiralling around you, your faith is your anchor. Just as the disciples were drawn to follow Jesus, we are drawn to our faith in times of uncertainty.

Star of the Week Awards

This afternoon I named the children who will receive the Star of the Week awards for this week.
Star of the Week Award – Super work and effort.

Year Group	STARS OF THE WEEK	
Reception	Robyn	Oliver
Year 1	Annie	Maya
Year 2	Thomas	Sofia
Year 3	Mikolaj	Georgie
Year 4	Charlie	Archie
Year 5	Max	Charlie
Year 6	Harvey	Cameron

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well done everyone. You are all doing an amazing job. St Vincent's is blessed with dedicated staff, children and parents, who go above and beyond in all they do. All staff are working in school as they would be normally. This means many staff are not at home with their own children whilst they are home schooling. Please bear this in mind when contacting staff; we are all doing the best we can. We all want to try and stop the spread of the virus so it is imperative anyone coming into school abides by the government rules to keep our school community safe. The single most important action we can all take is to stay at home to protect the NHS and save lives. You should follow this guidance immediately. This is the law. St Vincent's Catholic Primary school will remain open **only** for vulnerable children and the children of **critical workers who cannot be looked after at home**. Numbers of children in school are creeping up daily. They are far higher than in the first lockdown. This is not keeping our school community safe. Please be aware that the criteria for critical workers has been and continues to be updated by the Government – please check the guidance regularly.

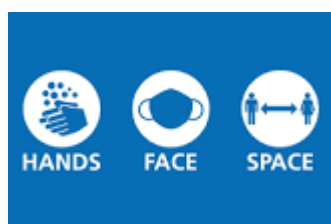
God Bless

Bernadette Groarke and the St. Vincent's team

Welcome!

A huge welcome to the three families which have joined us since we came back after the Christmas break. Welcome back to Daniel in year 6 and Thomas in year 2. We also welcome Ethan in year 1. It is lovely to have you as part of our St Vincent's family.

IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT MESSAGES



Hands. Face. Space.

Approximately 1 in 3 people who have coronavirus have no symptoms and could be spreading it without realising it.

Hands – wash your hands regularly and for at least 20 seconds.

Face – wear a face covering in indoor settings where social distancing may be difficult, and where you will come into contact with people you do not normally meet.

Space – stay 2 metres apart from people you do not live with where possible, or 1 metre with extra precautions in place (such as wearing face coverings).

You should avoid all non-essential meetings and interactions. In all circumstances, you should follow the guidance on meeting others safely.

When you can leave home

You must not leave or be outside of your home except where you have a 'reasonable excuse'. This is the law. The police can take action against you if you leave home without a 'reasonable excuse', and issue you with a fine (Fixed Penalty Notice).

You can be given a Fixed Penalty Notice of £200 for the first offence, doubling for further offences up to a maximum of £6,400.

Threadworms

There have been cases of threadworms at school. Please could you check your child. Please follow the link for information about diagnosing, treating and preventing threadworms.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/threadworms/>

Pre-School Applications for September 2021

If any parents have children who are due to start Pre-school in September 2021, please ensure that their child's name is on the Pre-school waiting list as soon as possible due to the high number of parents requesting places. For further information please contact the Pre-school Manager, Cath Davies or visit their website at www.stvincentspreschool.co.uk where you will find an application form.

Children in school

As a school, St. Vincent's remains open for **vulnerable and critical worker children ONLY** and we will continue to teach in school the home learning tasks set on the website with supervision by any staff available. If you are a critical worker and require a place in the future, please email school with at least 48 hours' notice from today. Please email Mrs Watson at admin@stvincents.cheshire.sch.uk Please stipulate the days and also send in proof of critical work status. The children will be mixing in key stage bubbles.

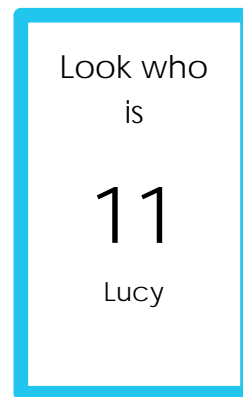
Drop off/ pick up time for children who have a confirmed place with Mrs Watson:-

	<i>Reception</i>	<i>Year 1</i>	<i>Year 2</i>	<i>Year 3</i>	<i>Year 4</i>	<i>Year 5 & 6</i>
Start Time	8.50 Reception area	8.55 Reception area	8.50 Infant door	8.55 Junior door	8.50 Junior door	8.50 Year 5/6
Home Time	3.10 Reception area	3.15 Reception area	3.10 Infant door	3.15 Junior door	3.10 Junior door	3.10 Year 5/6

All children who have to attend school need to be in school uniform, with a named water bottle and outdoor PE kit. Mrs Freeman will be in school and therefore the Infants will get a universal free school meal and juniors can purchase cooked meals via ParentPay.

Birthday Wishes!

"Happy Birthday" to the following children:-



Week ahead:

Live Teams sessions via Teams

Week beginning 18th January 2021

(times may change)

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Monday 18th	10 -11	9.15 -10	9-10	9-10 11.15 – 12.15	10-11 1-2	10-11
Tuesday 19th	10 -11	9.15 -10	9-10 11.15 – 12.15	9-10	10-11	10-11 1-2
Wednesday 20th					1-2pm	
Thursday 21st	10 -11	9.15 -10.15	9-10	9-10 11.15 – 12.15	10-11	10-11 1-2
Friday 22nd	10 -11	9.15 -10	9-10 11.15 – 12.15	9-10	10-11	10-11

Information will be on your class page on Teams.

Miss Quinn will notify you via Tapestry as to when Reception sessions are to be held.

Whole school assemblies

Monday: Worship assembly 2.30pm to 3pm

Wednesday: 9.10am – 9.25am (then live stream mass 9.30am)

Friday: Award assembly - 2.30pm to 3pm

