

Focus on.....Year 5



What a fantastic start to Year 5! We have had a very exciting week consisting of lots of writing in English around our book "The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe" as well as learning about the Anglo Saxons and Vikings.

In Science, we have been looking at different forces. Our experiment about gravity had us dropping different sized balls into flour and measuring the craters. This task also helped us with our mathematical measuring skills.

In Geography, we have been working on our map skills; we have been using 6 figure grid references to locate different areas around school. We have also been increasing our world geography skills by using the website "Globe" to locate different countries around the world.

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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

"What do you think success is?" asked the boy



"To love," said the mole

This week's gospel focus, Matthew 18:21-35, was all about the importance of forgiveness. Peter asks if he should forgive someone who has hurt him as many as seven times. Jesus tells the man, "Not seven, but seventy-seven times!". Jesus reminds us that we are all completely forgiven by God and in turn, must forgive 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	Aurora	Hugo	Patrick- fantastic imagination during Artis.
Year 1	Gracie	Elora	Isobella M – stunning detailed artwork.
Year 2	Rose	Theo M	Rhea – fantastic work in R.E.
Year 3	Matthew	Zara	Layla – amazing attitude to learning.
Year 4	Thomas	Daisy	Darcy – super hard work in maths.
Year 5	Olivia Ch.	Mia	Harrison – being an incredibly kind and hardworking boy.
Year 6	Audrey	Daisy	Leland- for doing a great job of editing his description of a sandstorm.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Is it Friday already? We really are a school of 'busy bees'. The year certainly has got off to a great start and there is a real sense of purpose and positivity about the place. On my many visits to the different classes this week, I have had the pleasure of sharing and being part of all the wonderful work that has been going on. My highlights have been Coach Dave's PE lesson where every child was able to throw and catch a ball, taking part in Year 1 and a Year 5's Art lessons when they role played freeze framing being on an Anglo-Saxon boat. I have also given out many Head Teacher Awards for maths work, writing and great sportsmanship.

Have a lovely weekend. God bless,

Miss Groarke and all the staff at St. Vincent's.



Year 6 Prefects

Wow! What an amazing group of Year 6 prefects we have. We have had the challenging job of assigning roles within school. On Monday, I gave out the Prefect badges and announced their jobs. They have all taken on their new roles with a real sense of responsibility. They certainly are great ambassadors for our school. I am sure you will join the staff and children in wishing them luck in their new prefect positions for the year ahead. Please remember to wear your prefect badges Year 6.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Our Mini Vinnies will be holding a Macmillan Coffee Morning on Thursday 28th September 9.00am - 10.00am in the School Hall. We would love you to join us for a cuppa and a cake/biscuit and raise funds for a good cause. We will be collecting money on the day, but if you can't make it and would still like to donate then please do so via ParentPay. Many thanks, Mrs Davies and the Mini Vinnies.

Wall of Fame

Well done to all the children who had their work chosen for the Wall of Fame. This will stay up for the half term. Do come and have a look.

Reception – All our reception class.

Year 1 – Mia writing about the Colour Monster.

Year 2 – Eva adding -er and -est to adjectives.

Year 3 – Beatrice comparing Birmingham and North Yorkshire in Geography.

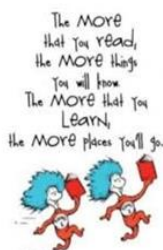
Year 4 – Freddie in art for painting a jug and thinking about how light and shadow fall.

Year 5 – Alice work on a Creation wheel in RE.

Year 6 – Elliott a Gorilla poem inspired by the beautiful book 'The Lost Words' by Robert MacFarlane.

Reading for Pleasure

We cannot stress enough how important the sharing of reading is, no matter whether your child is in Reception or Year 6; the benefits for both of you are immeasurable. So, we are again asking for recommendations from everyone. What books are you reading at home with your child? Please email in suggestions for books you have enjoyed reading together and a photograph of you reading as a family to admin@stvincents.cheshire.sch.uk Every recommendation with a photograph will get a Headteacher sticker and some pictures will appear in the newsletter.



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
21	23	16	17

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

Attendance

Reception	97.7%	Year 4	98%
Year 1	99.3%	Year 5	100%
Year 2	97.3%	Year 6	86.3%
Year 3	98.4%		

WELL DONE YEAR 5 – WONDERFUL ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK!

Year 4 and Year 6 Bikeability

On Tuesday and Wednesday next week, Year 4 and Year 6 will be doing the road safety Bikeability course during the school day. Please ensure that you send your child to school with their bike and helmet on both these days. Children should wear their 'Outdoor PE Kit' – which consists of jogging bottoms/ leggings and school PE T-shirt to school on these days. Please ensure your child also has a waterproof coat with them.

GDPR Consent Forms

If you have not already done so, please sign the GDPR permission slips and return to the school office as without these we are not able to put pictures of your child on our weekly newsletter or email the newsletter to you.

Coats

The children require a waterproof coat in school every day of the week as they will go out at break times, rain or shine.

KS2 Residential Visits 2024

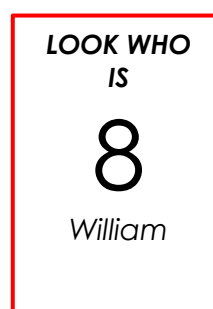
As advised in previous newsletters, the residential visits planned for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 for 2024 are now on ParentPay, with a scheduled payment instalment plan for each one. We still have a number of outstanding deposit payments and consent forms. Please ensure these are completed and paid ASAP. If you have any concerns regarding payment, please contact the school office as soon as possible so that we can advise and help you regarding the next steps.

Special Menu – Thursday 5th October

We are having a special menu on 5th October for the school census day (menu attached to newsletter). This menu is to encourage pupils (especially in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) to have a school meal. The uptake of meals on the day is used to calculate how much funding the school will get for universal meals, so it is imperative that as many pupils as possible attend school and have a school meal.

Birthday Wishes!

Many happy returns for this week to:



Y4/Y5/Y6 Open Evening at St Nicholas Catholic High School

The Open Evening at St Nicholas Catholic High School will be taking place on Wednesday 27th September between 6.00pm and 8.00pm. A letter has been emailed to all Year 4, 5 and 6 Parents and Carers with more details.

Morning Routine

All children need to be on the playground at 8.50am for the whistle at 8.55am. Once all children are in school the external doors will be closed. If the doors that your child normally goes in are closed then please take them around to the main entrance.

Applications for Secondary School Places – Year 6

31st October 2023 is the deadline for applications for secondary school places for September 2024. Please ensure you register your preferred schools by this date via the Cheshire East website – <https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schools/admissions/apply-for-september-2024-school-place.aspx>

Open Afternoon

Reminder We will be holding an open afternoon on **Thursday 5th October from 2pm until 3.15pm** for new and prospective parents of children who are looking to change school or are due to start in Reception in 2024 and 2025. Please pass on this information to neighbours and friends in Knutsford. To book a slot please email admin@stvincents.cheshire.sch.uk

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.

European Day of Languages

Next Tuesday, we will be celebrating the European Day of Languages in school and children will be able to take part in a variety of activities involving different languages. If you speak a language other than English with your child at home, please make sure we know about it so we can celebrate it in school.

Thank you to all who came to Mass

On Tuesday, Father David came into school to celebrate Mass. All the children sang beautifully and were impeccably behaved. Thank you to all the parents and parishioners who were able to come and join us. It was lovely to see you all in school.

Cross Country

'St. Vincents took part in the cross country meeting yesterday. We came 3rd behind Bexton and Egerton. We all ran well and supported each other. It was a hard track with rain and mud. Coach Dave, Miss Liddy and Mrs Bullen came with us to support our efforts. Lets hope that next year we are as successful as this year', by Jacoby and Alice (Y6).



The Week Ahead	Start Time	End Time
Monday 25th September		
Y4 Forest Schools	AM	
Y6 'Lost Words' Workshop	PM	
Y4 Love Music Trust Wider Opportunities Music Lesson	PM	
Reception Forest Schools	PM	
D.R. Sports – Multi Sports (Y1-Y6) www.drsportsclubs.co.uk	15:30	16:30
Tuesday 26th September		
Y4 and Y6 Bikeability – remember bikes and helmets!		
Wednesday 27th September		
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Y1/Y2 Stay and Read Session	9:05	9:20
KS2 Love Music Trust After School Choir - sign up via ParentPay	15:25	16:30
D.R. Sports – Netball/Basketball (Y1-Y6) www.drsportsclubs.co.uk	15:30	16:30
Thursday 28th September		
Rock Steady Music		
Mini Vinnies Macmillan Coffee Morning, School Hall	09:00	10:00
Y3/Y4 Eco Club with Miss Hyland – sign up via ParentPay	15:30	16:30
Y1/Y2 board and card game club - sign up via ParentPay	15:30	16:30
Friday 29th September		
Y3/Y4 Swimming – payment via ParentPay	PM	
Y4/Y5/Y6 Netball with Mrs Davies/Miss Liddy - email School office	15:30	16:30
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

Mass times are normally: Sunday – 9:00 am and 11:00 am. Please check the church newsletter for any variations in Mass times. **MASSES AT LYMM:** There is a 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.

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

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 later this year. If you would like to know more, please speak to Fr David.

THE SVP SOCIETY will be addressing the Parish at each Mass on Sunday, 24th September. There will be a retiring collection to help with their work and you are all invited to join them for tea and coffee in the Hall after the 11am Mass.

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