

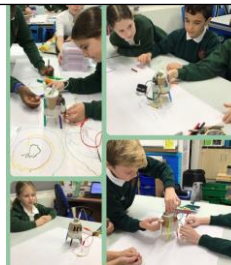
Focus on.....Year 5



Year 5 have had a very busy few weeks this half term. When learning about Remembrance Day, the children produced some beautiful acrostic poems and made some origami poppies (which is more difficult than it looks!).

We have enjoyed our Forest School session this week where we made some Viking longboats for our History topic in a competition of boys vs girls. Both teams did an amazing job. We have also enjoyed seeing our buddies in Year 1 for part of anti-bullying week. Together, we made a paper chain about what a good friend should be.

As part of our DT unit "Electrical System Doodlers", we investigated premade doodlers to find the factors which affect their form and function. We took them apart and reassembled them to find out which drawing implements were the most effective of the position of the motor and counterweight.



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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



This week we have focused on Anti-Bullying Week and the importance of being a good friend.

Luke 21: 5-19, reminds us that there will be times in our lives which we will find difficult. At times like this, we remind our children that they need to be peacemakers and try to speak kindly to 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	Aiden	Thomas	Lily – brilliant effort in her number work.
Year 1	James	Leonardo	Sophia – thoughtful ideas in R.E. when talking of Mary our mother.
Year 2	Stanley	Evie	Leo – a super effort in R.E.
Year 3	Noah	Layla	Huey – amazing work in all lessons especially in the assembly.
Year 4	Daniel	Alice	Conor – working hard all week and showing resilience.
Year 5	Daniel	Gianna	Olivia Ch – fantastic singing at the music festival.
Year 6	Daisy	Elliott	Elise – fantastic reverse poem about refugees in R.E.

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderful week it's been here in school with so many lovely buddy activities going on. We have marked National Anti-Bullying Week by having a Friendship Week starting with odd sock day on Monday. Our focus this week has been 'Make A Noise About Bullying' and how unique each one of us is. The purpose of such a week is to celebrate our uniqueness, the gift of friendship and to review our practice in school relating to friendship issues. We have also talked about children helping children and today we had our own clothes day to give donations to Children in Need, a very worthy cause. So far, we have raised £175. Thank you for all support and generosity. If you would still like to contribute more, please follow the link.

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=11591>

Have a lovely weekend,

God Bless,

Miss Groarke and everyone at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Primary School

Stay and Learn

It was lovely seeing parents playing Maths games with their children in the classroom on Tuesday for the Reception 'Stay and Learn' Maths session. A massive thank you to Miss Quinn for organising it and to you all for attending. We received such great feedback.

Year 3 Class assembly

This morning it was Year 3's class assembly. We heard all about the amazing work they have been doing in French, Music, RE, English, DT and Science – they have learnt so much in the last 10 weeks. They spoke beautifully and performed so well in front of the school and their families. Well done Year 3, you were brilliant!



Diwali

This week in Reception they have been learning about the Festival of Diwali. They talked about this special festival and discussed ways in which this is similar to things we celebrate in our lives such as Christmas. They then had a range of activities available using henna hands, rangoli patterns and firework pictures. The children all made their own window Diva lamp that they have put up in the classroom, they look beautiful!



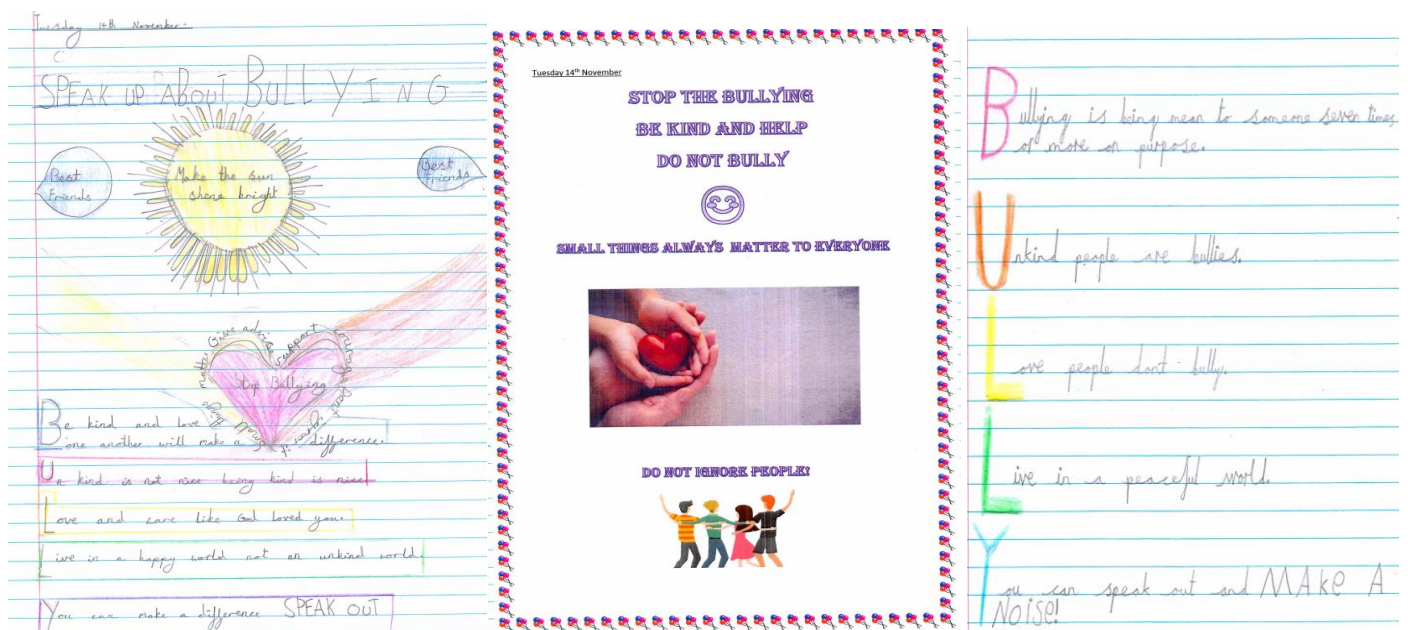
Music Festival at St. Nicholas High School.

On Thursday evening Year 5 sang at St. Nicholas High School Music Festival with our other feeder Primary schools. It was a musical evening with singing and musical recitals. Well done Year 5!



Anti-Bullying week

As part of our focus on Friendship and anti-bullying, Year 2 got together with their Year 6 Buddies to make friendship bracelets. It was lovely to see them helping each other and enjoying making something together, and Year 2 were all very pleased with the end of product!



Year 1 and Year 5 buddies made a friendship chain.



Diocesan Building Fund

We have now collected **£735** for this year's Diocesan Building Fund. Thank you to those that have paid via either ParentPay or standing order. Our optimum amount is **£2835** if everyone contributed. Any shortfall must be made up out of the school budget, which has a direct impact on the school finances. Please contribute via ParentPay, no matter how little.

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	19	21	22

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

Attendance

Reception	86.7%	Year 4	96.8%
Year 1	94.1%	Year 5	96%
Year 2	94%	Year 6	99.2%
Year 3	97.2%		

WELL DONE YEAR 6 – AMAZING ATTENDANCE AGAIN THIS WEEK!

St Vincent's Pre-school Admissions

Any parents who have children who are due to start Pre-School before September 2025, please ensure that you have completed an application form and returned this to the pre-school to ensure that their name is on the waiting list. Places are filling quickly. If you have any questions, please contact the Pre-school Manager Cath Davies on 01565 651948 or visit their website at www.stvincentspreschool.co.uk where you will find an application form.



PTA Fun Ball Friday Lottery

Today was the third PTA Fun Ball Friday draw of the Autumn Term. Today's lucky ball was number 10. Congratulations to Mrs Watson who received a cheque for £50!

Staff, parents, governors and relatives aged 18 and over are all eligible to join. Each Friday in assembly the child or grandchild of the lucky winner can choose a ball!

Each lotto number costs £2 a week and is purchased via ParentPay before 5pm on the Thursday before the draw. Don't forget you have to be in it to win it! GOOD LUCK!

We are holding our next **PTA meeting** on **Thursday, 23rd November, 7:30 at the Legh Arms**. We will be discussing our Xmas Fair and all Year Group stalls. Can we please ask that at least 1 or 2 reps from each year attend to share relevant information back to their class. Thank you.

Birthday Wishes!

Many happy returns for this week:

LOOK WHO
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Jessica

LOOK WHO
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Leonardo

LOOK WHO
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Edward C
Jane



Father David and St. Vincent's Church

Masses at Knutsford: Mass at Noon on Saturday
Sunday – 9:00 am and 11:00 am.

Masses at Lymm: Vigil Mass at St Winefride's, Booths Hill Rd, Lymm, WA13 0DL at 5.45pm on Saturdays.

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.

PARISH DINNER will be at Knutsford Golf Club on **28 November** 6.30pm for 7pm. The cost will be £20 for a 2-course meal payable on the night. Roast beef, lamb or pork or salmon with seasonal veg followed by a choice of sticky toffee pudding, Bakewell tart, fruit crumble or chocolate torte. If you want to come, email events@stvincentsknutsford.org or speak to John Long.

THE LADIES GROUP The Ladies Christmas Lunch is planned for Tuesday 12th December at 1pm in the Church Hall. The cost is £12 payable by 30 November. Forms available after Sunday Mass from Sheila Flynn or Andrea Ross.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AND CONFESSIONS each Saturday from 11.30am-Noon

CLOTHES FOR REFUGEES: We would welcome donations of Autumn and Winter men's clothes particularly jumpers, socks and footwear. Leave at back of Church.

The Week Ahead – Anti Bullying Week

Start Time **End Time**

Monday 20th November

Year 4 Forest Schools	AM	
Reception Forest Schools		PM
Year 4 Wider Opportunities Music – Love Music Trust - remember instrument		PM
Year 1-6 After School Sports Club – Multi sports (DR Sports)	15:15	16:30
Recorder Club	15:25	16:00

Tuesday 21st November

Fluenz Nasal Spray – for those that signed up	AM	
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Wednesday 22nd November

R/Y1/Y2 Parents/Carers 'Stay and Read'	09:05	09:15
KS2 Choir after school	15:30	16:30
Mad Science After School Club	15:25	16:25
D.R. Sports After school Club	15:25	16:30

Thursday 23rd November

Rock Steady Music	ALL DAY	
Y5/Y6 Girls Football Tournament, Knutsford Academy	15:45	17:00
PTA Meeting, Legh Arms	19:30	20:30

Friday 24th November

Y5/Y6 Swimming – payment via ParentPay		PM
D.R. Sports – KS2 Football	15:30	16:30

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