

Focus on.....Year 6

Wow - what a busy week we've had in Year 6! After a wonderful Bank Holiday Monday spent at home, we were very excited to be back on Tuesday as we went out on a trip! We arrived at school dressed as evacuees and travelled back in time to 1939 to spend the day at Stockport Air Raid Shelters and Museum. It was absolutely incredible to find ourselves inside the 2 miles of tunnels right underneath the town centre and to experience a little of what life was like for the four thousand people who regularly used the shelters every night. The toilets were rather interesting! We also had a go at doing some household chores using equipment from the 1930s and 40s - some of us were definitely better than others at the laundry, carpet beating and ironing! Back in class, we have been busily preparing ourselves for SATs week which takes place next week, as well as getting on with our other curriculum work. In Science, we created our own dog breeds as part of our work on Inheritance and Evolution - Mrs Bullen's favourite was the Golden Retriever/Dachshund cross: The Golden Sausage! We're now going to have a restful weekend, ready to tackle SATs week with everything we've got! Please send your prayers our way 😊



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

Gospel Values

Our gospel value this week is
Discipleship.

Jesus models what it means to be a disciple through his teaching, actions, and interactions with his followers. Discipleship involves a commitment to follow Jesus, learn from him, obey him, serve others, and trust in him. In Mass yesterday, Father David asked the children for ideas of how we can carry on the good work of Jesus -we had lots of examples of discipleship in our school!



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	Gospel value: Discipleship	Conduct and Courtesy	Merit award - comment
Reception	Patrick	Henry	Anton – brilliant phonics and writing!
Year 1	AyoOluwa	Isabella	Amandine – brilliant ideas in R.E.
Year 2	Rhea	Rose	Ian – amazing effort in phonics and handwriting.
Year 3	WHOLE CLASS for residential		
Year 4	Grace C	Noah	Daisy – beautiful work on Pentecost in R.E.
Year 5	Albin	Freddie	Harry – a great piece of writing on travelling into another world.
Year 6	Harry	Lily	Elise – for being a pleasure to teach every day.

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was so lovely to see many of our children taking part in the Royal May Day parade last Saturday. They all had lovely tales to tell of their experiences in school this week.

What a very busy four days we have had and what a difference the sun makes! Now that we have some hot weather, please ensure that your child has sunscreen applied at home and brings a named water bottle and cap to school to protect them.

Have a lovely weekend.

God bless,

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

Year 3 residential

On Thursday, Year 3 went on their first residential to Fox Howl in Delamere. They had lots of fun doing the different activities which included getting their hands dirty making dens, fishing for newts when pond dipping and splashing around in the water on the river walk! It was lovely to see everyone's confidence increasing over the two days away and hearing their lovely singing voices around the campfire whilst eating smores! Well done to everyone! Thank you so much to Miss Hyland, Mrs Brown and Miss Hughes who without them the trip couldn't go ahead.



Year 6 SATs

Please keep our Year 6 children in your prayers as they prepare to sit their end of Key Stage external assessments next week – a very important time for them all. We are confident that they will do their very best; they have worked hard, are well prepared and deserve to do well.

We also ask that you keep school visits to a minimum and if you are visiting school, please keep noise to a minimum in the area around the main entrance and hall.

YR/KS1 Stay and Read Cancelled

There will be no YR/KS1 Stay and Read session next Wednesday morning due to SATs assessments taking place. The next Stay and Read will be on 22nd May.

Walk, Bike or Scoot week

From Monday 20th May we are encouraging everyone to either walk, bike or scoot to school even staff for the week! We are encouraging everyone to do this for the benefits of the environment and your own health. If you must drive to school, try to park a little further away and walk a little further.

Reception – Early Learning Goals

On Wednesday, Miss Quinn gave a presentation to parents about the Early Learning Goals in Reception and how you can help their child at home. After the talk, her class demonstrated how magnificent they are with their phonics and numbers, showing their mums and dads how to play the games. It was lovely seeing parents playing with their children. Thank you to Miss Quinn for organising it and all parents who were able to attend.



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. David	St. Andrew	St. George	St. Patrick
19	13	16	21

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

Attendance

Reception	90.8%	Year 4	100%
Year 1	93.8%	Year 5	99.2%
Year 2	98.3%	Year 6	100%
Year 3	99.5%		

WELL DONE YEARS 4 AND 6 – PERFECT ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK!

The Book Bus

Once a year school enjoys a visit from the Education Library Service Book Bus. Children from each year group are given the opportunity to exchange Reading for Pleasure books from their reading corners and for new titles.



Wall of Fame

Congratulations to the children that got their work onto the Wall of Fame. This display of work can be seen outside the school office.



Wall of Fame	
May 2024	
Reception	Patrick – For his amazing independent writing.
Year 1	William – For his beautiful picture of Jesus' Ascension into Heaven.
Year 2	Theo – For his written work on Vultures.
Year 3	Jaxon – For his explanation and drawings of germination.
Year 4	Noah – For his drawing and description of his residential trip.
Year 5	Heldi – For her description of a Gothic Setting.
Year 6	Daisy – For her detailed explanation of the Holocaust.

Y1/Y2 Little Champs



'My favourite was when we had to catch the ball before the other team got it. It was fun!', by Derik.

'I liked jumping in and out of ladder and jumping the hurdles. I felt good and sweaty!', by Joe.

Y4-Y6 Handwriting Pens

Once the children in Year 4 are awarded their pen licence, the children are given a specific handwriting pen and cartridge. If the child then breaks or loses their pen, we ask that parents purchase them another one. This can now be done via ParentPay at a cost of £4 per pen. Cartridges will still be provided free of charge to the children.



PTA Fun Ball Friday Lottery

Today was the fourth PTA Fun Ball draw of the Summer Term. Today's lucky ball was number 6. Congratulations to the parents of Harvey (Y6).

You have until 5pm on a Thursday to buy (via ParentPay) your PTA Fun Ball for Fridays draw, at a cost of £2 per ball. Staff, parents, governors and relatives aged 18 and over are all eligible to join. There is no limit to the number of balls which can be purchased. Each ball is given a unique ball number, which is entered into the weekly draw, once payment is confirmed. Weekly prize announced in Friday's newsletter and the cheque to be collected by the winner on the following Monday from the office. The prize money will be 50% of the total weekly subscriptions. The remaining amount will go directly to St Vincent's PTA for school funding. Each week, the family of the winning ball will also receive a ball – the child can choose from a variety of balls which includes netballs, table tennis balls, tennis balls and spikey balls to name a few!!

SAVE THE DATE! This year our annual **summer fair will on Saturday, 6th July from 12pm - 4pm**. Please lock it in your diaries and invite your friends and family. It is always such a lovely afternoon and we have lots of fun stalls and activities in store.

EXCITING NEW RAFFLE! From Monday, you will be able to buy tickets on Parent Pay for our new **Nerf Action Xperience** raffle draw! Only £3 a ticket and you stand to win 4 x free passes for Nerf Action Xperience in Manchester, worth £80! Feel free to buy as many tickets as you like.

KNUTSFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL'S BALL - Our summer ball is fast approaching! Do you have your tables booked? We're aiming for at least one table per year group. This is a brilliant event and always such fun. It also raises much needed funds for all our schools.

Birthday Wishes! Many happy returns for this week:

LOOK WHO IS

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Annabelle
Aurora

LOOK WHO IS

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Harryett

The Week Ahead

Start Time	End Time
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Monday 13th May

Y6 SATs	AM	
Y4 Forest Schools	AM	
Cricket Y2-Y6		
Y4 Wider Opportunities Music	PM	
Reception Forest Schools	PM	
D.R. Sports After School Club	15:25	16:30
Year 6 Art club for KS1 children – sign up via ParentPay	15:25	16:30

Tuesday 14th May

Y6 SATs	AM	
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Wednesday 15th May

Y6 SATs	AM	
NO R/KS1 Stay and Read		
LMT After School Choir Club – sign up via ParentPay	15:25	16:25
D.R. Sports – After School Club	15:25	16:30
Y3 FHC parents meeting, St Vincent's Parish Centre	19:00	20:00

Thursday 16th May

Y6 SATs	AM	
Rock Steady Music Lessons	ALL	DAY
Y6 Picnic and games on the Moor	PM	
Miss Hyland's ECO Committee	15:25	16:15
Y5/Y6 Quad Kids, Knutsford Academy	16:00	17:00

Friday 17th May

Year 1 Class Assembly, School Hall - parents/carers welcome	09:10	09:30
D.R Sports – KS2 Football after school club	15:25	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

[St Vincent De Paul RC Church, Knutsford \(stvincentsknutsford.org\)](http://stvincentsknutsford.org)

Masses at Knutsford: 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.