

## Focus on.....Year 1

Wow, what a busy start to Summer 2! We have had school trips, sports day and we have even been learning pre-cursive writing ready for Year 2! In Geography, we went on a walk in small groups looking at different streets in our local area. We collected data on what we found on each street and compared our results. Some of the streets had detached houses whereas others had mainly bungalows. Finally, we thought about things we like and dislike and how we could improve our local area

In RE we have been learning about Judaism and especially the festival of Sukkot. This is a celebration where jews remember how Moses saved jews from slavery and unhappiness. In Forest schools we created our own Sukkah shelter which jews build to celebrate in during Sukkot. Keep your eyes peeled on Tapestry for further photos and details!



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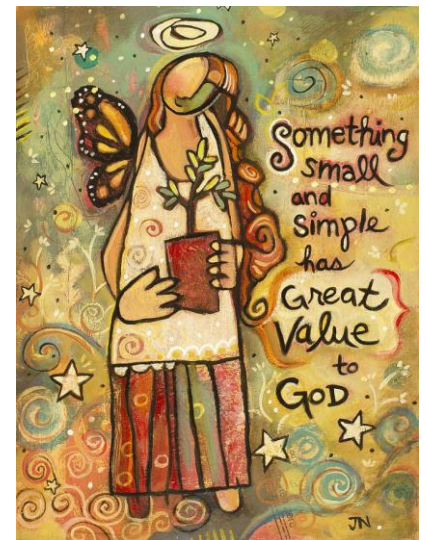
Believe, Trust and Be Ready  
 "That they may have life, and to the full" John 10:10

## Gospel Values

Our gospel value this week is:

### Truth

This week we discussed the meaning of truth and the fact that it encompasses more than simple honesty. Truth is what is inside, it is real and genuine. For example – a gold-plated vessel is not truthful because its appearance does not display its interior. Truth is honest and sincere.



## 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: Truth	Conduct and Courtesy	Merit award - comment
Reception	Anton	Nathan	Thomas – for amazing effort in sports day.
Year 1	Jude	Mia	Tyler – for excellent sentence writing!
Year 2	Pippa	Theo Fo	Ian – fabulous effort and participation in sports day.
Year 3	Sebby	Jaxon	William – amazing attitude towards assessments.
Year 4	Evie	Edward C	Michelle – for working hard in English and writing a good letter.
Year 5	Caylem	Theo	Heidi – fantastic attitude on the school trip.
Year 6	Alice	Connie	Kyra – for always being so kind, polite and cooperative.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow, what a busy week! The end of this academic year is fast approaching - only 20 teaching days left. We had a fantastic day yesterday for Sports day. It was lovely to receive so many positive comments and emails about how much you enjoyed watching your children compete in the field and track events. Thank you to Coach Dave, Mrs Cox and all staff for all their hard work putting such an event on. Thank you also to Mr Armstrong and his team of students from St. Nicholas Catholic High School who came to support us for the day and to our Year 6 player leaders. Please remember to check the newsletter each week for any changes and updates over the next few weeks as it is so busy. As this sunny weather is due to continue, please ensure your child has sunscreen on in the morning and brings a water bottle and sun hat to school every day. **They all need to be named.**

Have a lovely weekend.

God bless,

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



## Y2 Hallé 'The Dinosaurs are Coming'

On Tuesday, Year 2 spent a very memorable afternoon at The Bridgewater Hall listening to the Hallé Orchestra play a number of pieces on the theme 'The Dinosaurs are Coming!' We also got to participate in a song along with many other schools, that we have been learning in preparation: 'I never saw a dinosaur'. All of Year 2 sang with lots of enthusiasm and thoroughly enjoyed the experience!



On Tuesday when I went to the Hallé I really enjoyed when we sang our song. I also liked when the dinosaur suddenly was long a bed or son things like when we could shout out when the was a dinosaur but the dinosaur suddenly didn't wake up. It was a really fun time hope we go again. When we were on the coach to the Hallé me and Emily were so excited to go in with our hearts or with we did.



## 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
20	23	15	19

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



House Captains and Vice Captains with ex pupils who go to St. Nicholas High School who came to help on Sports Day.

**Birthday Wishes!** Many happy returns for this week to:



## Attendance

<b>Reception</b>	94.2%	<b>Year 4</b>	96.1%
<b>Year 1</b>	98.7%	<b>Year 5</b>	<b>99.7%</b>
<b>Year 2</b>	98%	<b>Year 6</b>	96.5%
<b>Year 3</b>	96.9%		

**WELL DONE YEAR 5 – AMAZING ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK**

## School Choir



On Wednesday night our after school club choir took part in a Summer Concert with Love Music Trust String Sinfonia, Lower Peover Vocal Club, Sandbach Young Voices and the Cheshire East Youth Choir. Miss Groarke, Mrs Cox and Mrs Dowler, were all so proud of the children and so were their parents and grandparents. Well done children!

## Sports day – Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June

All the children enjoyed their picnic lunches and had a special treat of an ice pop yesterday as they had all done so well. Thank you to all our wonderful staff for their efforts preparing the day and we would like to say a special thanks this year to Coach Dave and Mrs Cox. Thank you also to Mr Armstrong and his team of students from St. Nicholas Catholic High School who came to support us for the day. Thank you also to our amazing PTA for keeping the refreshments and pastries for parents going all day. Congratulations to all the children who took part and especially to children in our winning house – St George.



## Uniforms Standards and Hair Styles

Please support is in maintaining the high standards we have here at St. Vincent's. Our uniform is:

Dark green sweatshirt/ cardigan with School logo

White Polo Shirt (with logo if desired)

Grey Skirt/ Pinafore/ trousers/ shorts

Smart black shoes – no trainers

Long hair should be tied back and hair accessories should be appropriate and inline with our green uniform. Extreme hair cuts are not allowed in school. Thank you for your support.

## St Vincent's Pre-School Open Afternoon

On Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July from 1.30pm-3pm, for all children due to start in Pre-school in the Autumn term or for anyone interested in joining our setting. If you would like to come, please call 01565 651948 or email [cath@stvincentspreschool.co.uk](mailto:cath@stvincentspreschool.co.uk)

## Road/ Bike Safety

At this time of year when children are spending more time outdoors please discuss road and bike safety with them.

Children should always do the following when riding a bicycle. **Wear a helmet.** Stop at junctions. Learn the road signs. Look both ways when cycling. Look out for cars. Keep your bike in a safe, working condition.

Always check the breaks and tyres before riding it. For further information visit [Child Accident Prevention Trust](http://Child Accident Prevention Trust) | [A safer world for all our children \(capt.org.uk\)](http://A safer world for all our children (capt.org.uk))

## Outstanding Payments

As we fast approach the end of the school year, please could parents/carers ensure that all outstanding dinner, swimming and residential/trip monies are paid online via ParentPay ASAP, especially those families that are in Year 6. Individual emails will be sent out over the next couple of weeks chasing any outstanding payments. If you are struggling with money issues, please come and talk to Miss Groarke.

## The Mayor's Civic Parade.

Sunday 30th June will be the Mayor of Knutsford's Civic Sunday and they are focusing on the wider community at this year's event. They are inviting school children to join the procession, representing the schools of Knutsford, wearing their school uniform. The parade starts at 2pm from King Street – (you will need to be there by 1.50pm) in school uniform, it will arrive at St Cross Church between 14:15-14:30. This will be followed by a service in Church which everyone is welcome too. **If you would like to represent the school and take part in the parade and service, please email the office by Monday 24th June.**



## Fun Ball Friday Lottery

Congratulations to the winner this week: Number 27 – Parents of Daisy (Y6) and Harry (Y2). 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!!

**Sports Day profit!!** We raised an almighty **£423.52** from the sale of food & drinks yesterday! Wow, well done! A big thank you to all our PTA volunteers who helped and all of you who purchased items. What a phenomenal amount to have raised for our school.

### Reminders!

Please remember that next Friday, 28th June, we are inviting all our children to come to school in plain clothes in exchange for each child bringing in some sweets and/or chocolates for our Tombola stall at the Family Fun Day summer fair!

We have a **PTA meeting next Thursday, 27th at The Angel, 7:30pm**. We are finalizing last bits for our summer fair so would really appreciate some Reps/volunteers, from each year group, attending.

**Raffle Time!** We have 2 x new FANTASTIC raffle prizes to be won which will be posted on Parent Pay from today!! Just **£3 a ticket**, but please buy as many as you like, and stand to win either...

- 1.) **A meal voucher for Swan with Two Nicks** which includes 2 X main meals and a bottle of fizz OR
- 2.) An outdoor family photo shoot with **Sarah Jane King Photography**.

Winners will be announced on Friday, 5th July. Get onto Parent Pay and buy your tickets today!

## Gazebo

Thank you to all the dads led by Chris Jones who put up the gazebo. You are all super stars.



## The Week Ahead

Start Time	End Time
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### Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June

KS2 Archery Workshops	AM	
Y4 Wider Opportunities Music	PM	
Year 5 Forest Schools (remember your Forest School Clothes/ Shoes)	PM	
D.R. Sports After School Club	15:25	16:30

### Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June

KS2 Archery Workshops	AM	
Y6 heart dissections (not theirs!)		PM
Afterschool Fencing Club	15:30	16:30

### Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June

R/KS1 Stay and Read	09:05	09:15
Y6 Artis performance – parents/carers welcome	15:00	
D.R. Sports – After School Club	15:25	16:30
After School Choir	15:25	16:25
Y1 & Y2 History Explorers Club – Sign up via ParentPay	15:25	16:15

### Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June

Reception visit to Pizza Express – Permission via ParentPay	AM	
Y4 Tennis coaching	13:00	13:45
Y5/Y6 Booster swimming lessons	14:00	14:30
Rock Steady Music Lessons	ALL	DAY
Miss Hyland's Eco Committee	15:25	16:15
PTA Meeting, The Angel	19:30	

### Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June

PTA Non- Uniform Day – 'Sweets and/or chocolates'		
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](http://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.