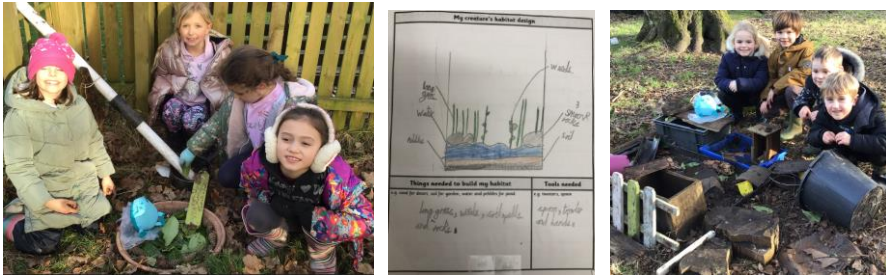


Focus on ... Year 2

Year 2 have had an exciting week this week. We have been reading the story, 'The Bog Baby' by Jeanne Willis, so this week we designed our own habitats for our very own imaginary creature. Some of them looked like 5 * hotels!



Then, during Forest School, we worked together to make our class 'Bog Baby' a new habitat to live in. We think he loved the homes we made for him!



In Music, we have learned another new song: 'Hands, Feet and Heart' and have really enjoyed learning a tune on the chime bars and glockenspiels so that we can accompany the song and perform together.



In Art we have been exploring and creating maps of our journey from home to school. This week we made an abstract map using cellophane to make a stained-glass effect. We will be putting them together to make a whole class piece of artwork which you will hopefully be able to see in the Y2 window next week. We are so proud of how hard Year 2 are working this spring term, keep up the great work!



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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:
FORGIVENESS



The Gospel focus this week was Luke 2:22-40, it told us how Mary and Joseph brought their baby to the Temple in Jerusalem to be blessed by God. Simeon, a holy man, was there and took the baby Jesus in his arms and praised God for allowing him to see the saviour, the light of the world. It reminds us that Jesus is the light of the world, and we should try to spread that light.

Behaviour Awards

Conduct and Courtesy Award – Great attitude with good manners and behaviour.

Merit Award – Super work and effort in a particular area of the Curriculum.

Year Group	Gospel value: Forgiveness	Conduct and Courtesy	Merit award - comment
Reception	Olivia	Sophie	Ralph – for being the most amazing class member and friend.
Year 1	Amelia	Charmaine	Lily – working hard to improve her writing.
Year 2	Gracie	Peyton	William – just for being an amazing member of Year 2; day in, day out!
Year 3	Lola	Theo M	Harrison – amazing castle building in D.T.
Year 4	Jaxon	William	Narin – working hard with reading.
Year 5	Freddie	Ethan	Alice – for being helpful and sharing her expertise during computing lessons.
Year 6	Vasylii	Damian	Harry – for working so hard in improving his writing.

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a lovely week we have had in school. All children have been working incredibly hard and it has been a real pleasure to visit each class. We are all looking forward to seeing you at the disco tonight.

Have a lovely weekend, with your friends and family,

God Bless.

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

Safer
Internet
Day 2025 | Tuesday
11 February

Coordinated by the UK Safer Internet Centre

saferinternetday.org.uk

Tuesday 11th February - Safer Internet Day

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2025>

Safer Internet Day inspires a national conversation about using technology responsibly, respectfully, critically, and creatively. Coordinated in the UK by the UK Safer Internet Centre, the celebration sees thousands of organisations get involved to promote the safe, responsible and positive use of digital technology for children and young people. Each year in the UK, Safer Internet Day explores a new issue or theme which is impacting the lives of young people in the UK. This year's theme is 'Too good to be true?'. Protecting yourself and others from scams online. Please have discussions and continue to put boundaries in place about the use of technology in the home especially in Year 4, 5 and 6. I would ask a particular focus to be on the use of WhatsApp, TikTok and Instagram. It is really important to have regular discussions around internet safety as it changes so quickly. Please remember to look at the information on our school website. [St Vincent de Paul Catholic Primary School: Safeguarding and E- Safety \(stvincentsknutsford.co.uk\)](http://stvincentsknutsford.co.uk)



Mental Health Week in school

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/>

This week in school we celebrated Mental Health Week. Mrs Hales and Miss Groarke introduced the theme in assembly on Monday through the characters of Pixar's Inside Out and Inside Out 2. The theme was 'Know Yourself, Grow Yourself.' It is through knowing ourselves and speaking with others, that we can build resilience, grow and develop. The more we can understand about ourselves, the more prepared we are to express our emotions and take on life's ups and downs. Being self-aware means getting to know and understand what we are good at, what we find difficult, our likes and dislikes, what makes us feel JOY and what may cause us SADNESS. It is also about understanding what makes us unique and our fears, hopes and dreams. As we build a sense of self, we grow in our ability to connect with others, as well as develop our skills and talents. It is with this basis we can form strong and healthy relationships, from early childhood right through to adulthood and are equipped to cope with the challenges that life brings our way.



Threadworms

We have been notified that a child has threadworms and has received treatment. Threadworms (also known as pinworms) are tiny worms found in poo. They are common in children and spread easily. Fortunately, they can be treated without visiting a doctor – medication is available from pharmacies. To help prevent the spread, please ensure hands are washed thoroughly, including under fingernails, especially before eating and after using the toilet. For more information, visit the NHS Website:

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

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
15	24	19	19

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

Attendance

Reception	97.5%	Year 4	96.3%
Year 1	97.6%	Year 5	97.4%
Year 2	98.3%	Year 6	94.1%
Year 3	96.7%		

WELL DONE YEAR 2 – EXCELLENT ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK!

Birthday Wishes

Many happy returns this week to:



Y1/Y2 Little Champions Event at Knutsford Academy



Our Year 1 and Year 2 children had a fantastic time at the Little Champions event held at Knutsford Academy yesterday evening. The children thoroughly enjoyed participating in a range of fun and engaging activities, showcasing their enthusiasm and teamwork. A huge thank you to the Knutsford Academy Sports Leaders, who did an amazing job organizing and running the event. Well done to all the children who took part - you are all little champions!



Thank you to the year 6 parents who are hosting tonight's disco.

Upcoming dates for your diary:

- ★ Next PTA meeting Thursday 27th February @ The Angel 19:30
- ★ Pre-loved uniform sale - Friday 21st March
- ★ Reception PTA event: 'Swap Shop' evening of Wednesday 26th March

More information to follow after half term.

We will also be welcoming back Fun Ball Friday next term; keep your eyes peeled on ParentPay. Early birds can grab 6 tickets for the price of 5.

St Vincent's Pre-school Holiday Club

St Vincent's Pre-school are starting up a holiday club which will be running during the spring half term in February. Please could you let them know as soon as possible if your child is going to be attending.

admin@stvincentspreschool.co.uk or 01565 651948.

Starting Pre-school

If any parents have younger children who are due to start Pre-school before September 2025, please ensure that their child's name is on their waiting list. Please contact 01565 651948 or email

admin@stvincentspreschool.co.uk

The Week Ahead	Start Time	End Time
Monday 10th February		
Y1 Forest Schools (Bring Forest schools clothes in a bag – no shorts)	PM	
Y4 Love Music Trust Wider Opportunities Music – Don't forget instruments!	PM	
D.R. Sports – Multi Sports (Y1-Y6)	15:30	16:30
Tuesday 11th February		
Internet Safety Day		
Reception 'Stay and Learn' – physical development. Parents/Carers welcome	09:00	10:00
Music Ninjas – Piano lessons		PM
Wednesday 12th February		
ARTIS Performing arts workshops – all classes		
Rec/Y1/Y2 'Stay and Read' – parents/carers welcome.	15:00	15:20
D.R. Sports – Dodgeball/Basketball/Netball (Y1-Y6)	15:30	16:30
Thursday 13th February		
Rock Steady Music		
Friday 14th February		
Y3/Y4 Swimming – Last one. Please remember costumes/towels/caps/goggles	PM	
Break up for Half Term	15:25	
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

There are no free Coach Dave clubs or after school choir this week.



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.

THE ENQUIRY GROUP: The next meeting will be at 7pm on Thursday, 20 February in the Parish Centre.

CAMBODIA LINK: Fr David is visiting Fr Totet now. He will celebrate Mass with the Parish there and to see how their work is progressing. He has taken all our good wishes and prayers to them. The Church now have a special bank account for the link with Fr Totet and his work in Cambodia. When he visited last year, we promised to help him raise \$40,000 to build a classroom to support his work with children. If you would like to donate, please make cheques payable to "Knutsford and Lymm Cambodia Link." Cash Donations would be welcomed and if you would be interested in taking out a standing order to make a regular donation please give your name to Fr David. You can also make payments direct via BACS to Knutsford and Lymm Cambodia Link, Lloyds Bank, Account No. 68321468; Sort Code 30-15-52.