

# ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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

## Religious Education Newsletter - Spring 2 2025

Dear Parents and Carers.

This term I would like to launch our new RE Newsletter! In this edition, I will share some of your child's previous learning and our Catholic Life news, and also share some of what we have planned for the coming weeks. I would also like to share details of your child's RE Curriculum learning for the half term ahead in order for you to feel a part of their RE growth and development. I hope you enjoy reading this news and find it useful. If you have any questions about RE, please speak to your child's class teacher.

I am also happy to answer any other questions and welcome any ideas and suggestions you may have.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs G. Davies - Deputy Head & RE Subject Leader

# Masses, liturgies and other Catholic life events this term:

Ash Wednesday Service in School - 5th March

Year 5 Class Assembly - 7th March

Lenten Prayer begins - 10th March in the School Hall

Whole School Mass - 25th March

Year 2 Class Assembly - 28th March

Final Lenten Prayer - 31st March

Year 3 Holy Week Reflection - 1st April

Year 4 Holy Week Reflection - 2nd April

Year 5 Holy Week Reflection - 3rd April

Year 6 Holy Week Reflection - 4th April

# Please talk to your child about what they are learning in school.

Spring 2 RE Curriculum	
Reception	Easter is a celebration that Jesus is with us still. Lent is a time to care for others.
Year 1	Lent is a time to prepare for Easter. The events of the last week of Jesus' life and the resurrection.
Year 2	Holy Week. Lent is a time of reconciliation and forgiveness for Christians. Sacrament of Reconciliation. Easter Vigil Mass.
Year 3	The Liturgy of the Eucharist. The Last Supper, when Jesus celebrated the first Eucharist. Prayers and responses during Mass.
Year 4	Events of Holy week – gospel of Matthew. Parables – The Lost Son and The judgement of Nations. God's mercy and forgiveness. Lent – a time to live out the works of mercy.
Year 5	Reconciliation Holy Week
Year 6	Jesus the Messiah Holy Week

Please do join us in school for our Ash Wednesday Service, Lenten Prayer, Mass and our Holy Week reflections – all are welcome. It is a beautiful way to journey through Lent in preparation for Easter and a precious time for us to come together as the community of St. Vincent's.

#### Jubilee Year 2025 in schools

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The Jubilee Year is a landmark moment in the life of the global church. School communities are invited to join together as pilgrims of hope, pledging to work together for God's kingdom of justice, peace and love.

Last half term we joined together in school to launch this with a special Jubilee Mass celebrated by Father David. Our children learned, and sang, a

beautiful song called 'Song of Hope' and have been writing their own prayers of hope.

### Míní Vínnies

Our Mini Vinnies are great ambassadors for our school and have made it into the Diocesan newsletter detailing some of the work they have been doing. There is a copy in school if you would like to read it or click on the link below:

Shrewsbury Young Vincentian News Spring 2025 - Diocese



Please support our Mini Vinnies as they plan fundraising events during Lent.





### **CAFOD - Live Simply Award**

Inspired by Pope Francis's message? Want to put your faith into action?

The LiveSimply award is an opportunity for Catholic communities – parishes, schools, religious orders and chaplaincies – to answer the call for us to care for our common home and stand in solidarity with our sisters and brothers around the world. Here at St. Vincent's, we will be looking at how we can play our part. One of the events the whole school will be involved in is 'The Big Lent Walk Challenge'. More information will be in the school newsletter. Please do support us.

### **Catholic Social Teaching**

Catholic Social Teaching is rooted in scripture and formed by the teachings of the Church leaders. Simply put, it is our moral compass guiding us on how to live out our faith in the world. Last half term we focused on the gospel values: Dignity, Humility and Forgiveness and how we can promote peace.

Year 3 - Sacrament of Reconciliation



Please remember our Year 3 children as they make their First Forgiveness. We have made a beautiful wall hanging in school with all their names on it. It is just inside the main doors if you want to have a peek!

