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HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the second half of the spring term. This half term will focus on Lent. It was lovely to have our parents join us for mass on Ash Wednesday.

A LENTEN REFLECTION

Lent is a time of freshness and new beginnings, a time of new life. Through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we have new life in him, a new beginning, a fresh start. The children will be revisiting how the story of Lent ends, when suffering becomes joy and death ends in the resurrection.

Give up complaining	focus on gratitude.
Give up pessimism	become an optimist.
Give up harsh judgments	think kindly thoughts.
Give up worry	trust Divine Providence.
Give up discouragement	be full of hope.
Give up bitterness	turn to forgiveness.
Give up hatred	return good for evil.
Give up being negative	be positive.
Give up anger	be more patient.
Give up pettiness	become mature.
Give up gloom	enjoy the beauty that is all around you.
Give up jealousy	pray for trust.
Give up gossiping	control your tongue.
Give up sin	turn to virtue.
Give up giving up	stay strong.



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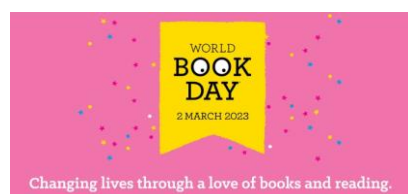
ST VINCENT'S PARISH RETREAT

Next Monday 27 February is the start of St Vincent's Parish Retreat led by the Franciscans of Renewal. Everyone is invited and you are all welcome - you can come along to everything or just the sessions and Masses you can make, even if you can only make one, please come along.

Please see the Retreat timetable below, all sessions and Masses will take place in the church. On Thursday the retreat will end with a shared supper in Westleigh, please come along and bring a small offering of food to share together.

	Mon 27th Feb	Tues 28th Feb	Wed 1st Mar	Thurs 2nd Mar
7:10am	Morning Prayer	Morning Prayer	Morning Prayer	Morning Prayer
7:30am	Mass	Mass	Mass	
11:00am	Adoration	Adoration	Adoration	Adoration
12:15pm	Mass Talk	Mass Talk	Mass Talk	Mass Talk
6:00pm	Adoration			Adoration
7:30pm	Evening Session	Evening Session including Reconciliation	Evening Session	Evening Session Holy Spirit Mass and Shared Supper

WORLD BOOK DAY



Thursday 2 March is World Book Day and we are really looking forward to a day filled with activities to celebrate our love of reading. Children are invited to come to school dressed as a character from their favourite book. Don't



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forget we don't want you to spend lots of money on costumes, see what you can put together from home. Our PTA have been busy swapping costumes on their Facebook page too.

Children have also been invited to bring in a book to read with a reading buddy. Details are on Google Classroom, and we will provide suitable books if you wish.

We are looking forward to seeing all of the wonderful costume creations and hearing about why the children were inspired to choose that character.

UNICEF RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOLS AWARD MASCOT COMPETITION



We are delighted to introduce Ralph, our Rights Respecting School Mascot. Ralph will be helping the children in school to learn about their rights and promote various article around school. He will also be going home every week to a family to help the child and their families learn about the Rights of the child.

A big well done to Raphaella in Mr Kerigan's class for the winning entry, the Wellbeing Champions were impressed with all the entries and found it very tricky to choose a winner, so a big thank you to those children who entered.

PUPIL GROUPS



Well done to Mrs Burke and the Eco Leaders for raising £145 for the Rainforest Trust charity by organising a uniform swap. Thank you to everyone who donated.



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PTA UPDATE



The PTA discos and film nights will take place tonight and next Friday. We hope the children have a brilliant evening and thank you to the PTA for organising them.

The next PTA event will be a cheese and wine night for parents on Thursday 20 April; more details to follow.

OPEN MORNING FOR PROSPECTIVE PARENTS DATES

We will be holding an open morning on Wednesday 15 March for prospective parents to have a tour of the school. In order to accommodate, prospective parents will need to book a time slot. Please contact admin to book a place at admin@stvincents.trafford.sch.uk. The tour can also include a visit to our birth to five nursery if you wish. If you have any questions about a nursery place, please contact office@stvincentsnursery.com

DATES LIST SPRING 2

DAY	DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
Monday	27 February	Reception 'Stay and Play': Miss Hollins' class: 9:15am	Reception classroom
Tuesday	28 February	Reception Stay and Play : Mrs Lawrence's class: 9:15am	Reception classroom
Wednesday	01 March	Reception Stay and Play: Miss Turnbull's class: 9:15 am	Reception classroom
Thursday	02 March	World Book Day KS2 Class Assembly: Y4 Miss Jamieson's class 9:05am	Junior department hall
Friday	03 March	Parent's 'Stay and Pray': Led by Y4 9:05am	Junior department hall

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Tuesday	07 March	Maths and Calculations Workshop	Junior department hall
Wednesday	08 March	Art Gallery Parents Invited 3:30-5:45pm	Junior department hall
Thursday	9 March	Y3 Parents First Holy Communion Meeting 6:30pm	Junior department hall
Thursday	9 March	KS2 Class Assembly: Led by Y4 Miss Morris' class 9:05am	Junior department hall
Thursday	9 March	Mrs Lawrence's class parents' evening 1-5:30pm	Infant department
Friday	10 March	CAFOD Lenten Fundraising Day: Lenten fundraising commences	-
Monday	13 March	Science week: 'Keystings' music performance for all year groups.	
Wednesday	15 March	Open Morning 9.15am	Across school
Thursday	16 March	KS2 Class Assembly: Led by Y3 Mrs Needham/ Mrs Robinson's class 9:05am	Junior department hall
Thursday	23 March	Parents' Evening 3:45-7pm	Department halls
Thursday	23 March	KS2 Class Assembly: Led by Y3 Miss Slater's class 9:05am	Junior department hall
Tuesday	28 March	Year 1 Easter Liturgy	Infant department hall
Tuesday	28 March	KS2 Lenten Service: 6:30pm	Holy Angels Church
Wednesday	29 March	Year 1 Easter Liturgy	Infant department hall
Thursday	30 March	Junior Lenten Mass: 9:30am Infant Lenten Mass: 9:15am	Junior Hall Infant hall
Friday	31 March	Parents 'Stay and Pray': Led by Y3 9:05am	Junior department hall
Tuesday	04 April	School closes for Easter	-

We offer an open door to parents. If you have any questions about school life, please liaise with your class teacher. Mrs Farrell (infant department deputy, Mrs Sutton (junior department deputy, and I are also available to work in partnership with you.

Yours sincerely,



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