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HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

LENTEN FAMILY PRAYER



Lord, Draw us closer to your heart, so that we might know you better and understand you more completely.

We pray that we would not only give things up for Lent but also give you glory through Lent, Lord.

May our actions reflect our hearts, and may we worship you through all that we say and do throughout the coming weeks.

Amen

ASSOCIATE BOARD MEMBER- REPRESENTATION FROM ETHNIC MINORITY BACKGROUNDS



We aim to have a diverse representation on our board and committees and would therefore **want applications from ethnic minority backgrounds and other under-represented groups.** If you would like to talk about the role, please contact admin@stvincents.trafford.sch.uk #Make a difference #Passionate about learning #Be Respectful #Be kind

RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL SILVER AWARD



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ARTICLE OF THE WEEK

Each week we will be focussing on a specific Article taken from the 'United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child.' Remember that each Article is the right of every child all around the world.

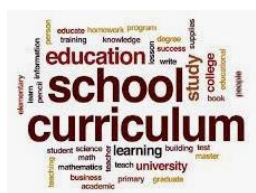
Article 2 – Non-discrimination. The Convention applies to every child without discrimination.

This week's article links to International Women's Day.

International Women's Day (IWD) is celebrated on 8 March. It is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women. Significant activity is witnessed worldwide as groups come together to celebrate women's achievements or rally for women's equality.

Thank you to year 4 who led an assembly all about International Women's day. [#Make a difference](#)

CURRICULUM INFORMATION



Thank you to all of the parents who have been able to come to school to learn about our curriculum. As a reminder, the PowerPoint presentations along with what your child will be learning about this year can be found on our website please go to the year group your child is in, under the 'Year Group Information' tab.

Here is an example of the information available to year 4 parents:

Year 4

Introduction to Year 4

- Welcome to Year 4

Year 4 Curriculum

- Curriculum Expectations
- Curriculum Yearly Overview
- Curriculum Termly Overview Spring 2023
- Curriculum Termly Overview Autumn 2022
- Religious Education Newsletter Autumn 2022
- Religious Education Newsletter Spring 2023
- Mathematics Calculation Policy
- Maths Workshop 2023
- Multiplication Tables Check 2023

Home Learning/Support for Parents and Pupils

- Home Learning Overview
- Parent's Guide - End of Year Expectations in Reading, Writing and Maths

Curriculum Evening

2022-23 Curriculum Evening Presentation



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ART GALLERY



It was wonderful to exhibit the children's work in our art gallery this week. Each class visited the art gallery and experienced looking at and appreciating the work of others. Thank you to the parents who came along to view children's work.

If you decided to purchase a framed piece of work it will be delivered to school next week for your child to bring home with them. [#Passionate about learning](#)



SCIENCE WEEK



British Science Week is an annual celebration of scientific knowledge and understanding across science, technology, engineering and maths. The theme of this year's British Science Week is Connections and how we are all connected. This includes looking at the natural world and how plants, animals and humans all coexist. It also looks at technology and how this allows us to stay connected in this ever changing world.



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British Science Week aims to share the knowledge and excitement of this area with the children and we will be celebrating British Science Week on the week commencing 13 March 2023. The children will be conducting experiments, researching scientific areas and hearing expert speakers. We will be running a poster competition where there will be prizes for most effort shown. [#Passionate about learning](#)

MINI VINNIES



Well done and thank you to everyone who participated in the Mini Vinnie 'Flipathon' - the overall winner scored 199 and over £50 was raised for Red Cross for Turkey-Syria Earthquake appeal.

Mini Vinnies will be selling Easter chicks from Wednesday 15 March for a minimum donation of £1. Please bring in correct change and the Mini Vinnies will come to your classrooms so you can choose your chick. All proceeds will be going to Francis House Children's Charity. [#Make a difference](#) [#Be kind](#)

PTA UPDATE



The next PTA event will be the Easter Eggstravaganza on Friday 31 March at 3:15pm. Children are asked to come to school in their own clothes on this day and bring a donation of an Easter Egg (more details to follow).

There will also be a Cheese and Wine Night for parents on Thursday 20 April (tickets available on ParentPay) [#Make a difference](#)



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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 this, prospective parents will need to book a time slot. Please contact admin to book a place admissions@stvincents.trafford.sch.uk. The tour can also include a visit to our birth to 5 nursery if you wish. If you have any questions about a nursery place, please contact office@stvincentsnursery.com #Make a difference #Passionate about learning #Be Respectful #Be kind

DATES LIST SPRING 2

DAY	DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
Monday	13 March	Science week: 'Keystings' music performance and science activities 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
Friday	17 March	Silly Socks Day - £1 donation on ParentPay to Earthquake Appeal	
Thursday	23 March	Parents' Evening 3:45-7pm	Department halls



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Thursday	23 March	KS2 Class Assembly led by Y3 Miss Slater's class 9:05am	Junior department hall
Friday	24 March	Mindfulness Activities - £1 donation on ParentPay to St Ann's Hospice	
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	Junior Hall
		Infant Lenten Mass: 9:15am	Infant hall
Friday	31 March	Parents 'Stay and Pray': Led by Y3 9:05am	Junior department hall
Friday	31 March	PTA Easter Eggstravaganza and own clothes day	Infant playground and hall
Tuesday	04 April	School closes for Easter	-

ATTENDANCE



Please note we do not authorise holidays in term time. Please see the link for our term dates.

<http://www.stvincents.trafford.sch.uk/page/term-dates-school-day-attendance/6182>

We monitor the attendance of all children and here are the attendance percentages for last week.

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
RMH	95.33%	2CG/EL	95%	4JM	96.33%
RLT	96%	2AB	98.67%	5JK	95.32%
RML	93.67%	3ES	97.15%	5LM	97.18%
1LH	95%	3DMcD	98.97%	5CL	96.45%
1AMcC	96.43%	3CN/CR	98%	6NS	93.33%



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1CR	97.67%	4FJ	96.85%	6DH	93.9%
2LC	96.67%	4HB	99.2%	6DK	95.67%
Overall percentage: 96.22%					

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,

Mrs A Harrop

Headteacher

