

ST VINCENT'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

WELCOME MASS



It was lovely to see the reception children and parents at the Welcome Mass on Sunday. As a reminder, the Mass times for St Vincent's Church and Holy Angels church are below. Both Canon Jonathan and Fr Tom welcome families to church so please do come along, you would be most welcome.

HOLY ANGELS MASS TIMES

- Saturday 10am, 6pm (Vigil Mass)
- Sunday 8:30am and 10:30am
- Monday 7pm
- Tuesday 8am
- Wednesday 7pm
- Thursday 8am
- Friday 7pm

ST VINCENT'S MASS TIMES

- Saturday 5:30pm (Vigil Mass)
- Sunday 8:30am, 10am, 11:30am and 6:30pm
- Mon to Sat 12:15pm
- Friday 7pm



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CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENTS - STAY AND SHARE



This year we have introduced a Stay and Share Parent Drop in session each half term. The session is where parents come into class before school to look at their child's books. It is an opportunity for parents of children in years 1 to 6 to see their child's work in various subjects. This half term we will display maths, English, Religious Education and art books for parents to look through. The half termly session will start at 8:30am and finish at 8:55am. The first session is on Friday 13 October.

As Reception children are still settling into school life, reception parents will be invited to the reception classrooms for stay and play sessions later in the year.

ST VINCENTS' POET LAUREATE



We are excited to announce that we are launching a competition for the 2023-2024 St Vincents' Poet Laureates. If your child would like to send in a poem entry, the theme is 'Harvest'. Please send in entries via Google Classroom. The closing date is Friday 29 September and we are looking forward to reading the entries. Please see the attachment for further information.

ONLINE PARENTING COURSES

Online parenting courses are a great way to get advice and learn new skills in the comfort of your own home and at times to suit you. Courses from an organisation called Family Lives are filled with helpful techniques and ideas that we are sure will help you become a confident and happy parent. Crucially, you can work through the course whenever and wherever suits you and at your own pace. The range of courses are below.

<https://www.familylives.org.uk/how-we-can-help/online-parenting-courses>



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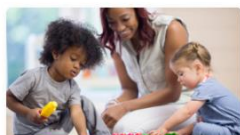
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FAMILY INFORMATION SERVICES STAY AND PLAY SESSIONS

Please find attached information about SEND Stay, Play and Discover sessions for parents and carers with children age 5 and under.

AUTUMN 1 DATES



DAY	DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
Wednesday	27 September	St Vincent de Paul Feast Day	-
Wednesday	27 September	Junior Department Curriculum Evening Y3 Curriculum Evening 4:30 - 5:15pm Y4 Curriculum Evening 5:15 - 6:00pm Y5 Curriculum Evening 6:00 - 6:45pm Y6 Curriculum Evening 6:45 - 7:30pm	Junior hall
Thursday	28 September	Infant Department Curriculum Evening Reception Curriculum Evening 4:30 - 5:15pm	Infant hall



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		Phonics Workshop Reception/Y1 5:15 - 5:45pm Y1 Curriculum Evening 5:45 - 6:30pm Y2 Curriculum Evening 6:30 - 7:15pm	
Friday	29 September	Macmillan Coffee Morning: 9am	Junior hall
Monday	02 October	Dyslexia Awareness week	
Tuesday	03 October	Black History Month	-
Tuesday	03 October	CAFOD Family Fast Day/Harvest fundraising commences	-
Thursday	05 October	KS1 Class Assembly 9:15am led by Y2 Mrs Burke's class	Infant hall
Thursday	05 October	Junior Harvest Mass: 9:15am	Junior hall
Friday	06 October	Parents 'Stay and Pray': 9:15am led by Y1	Infant hall
Tuesday	10 October	World Mental Health Day	
Thursday	12 October	KS2 Class Assembly 9:15am led by Y5 Mrs Maguire's class	Junior hall
Friday	13 October	Parents 'Stay and Share' : 8:30am: Y1-6	Y1-6 Classrooms
Friday	13 October	PTA Quiz Night	Infant hall
Wednesday	18 October	Open Morning	Across school
Thursday	19 October	KS1 Class Assembly 9:15 led by Y2 Miss Campbell's class	Infant hall
Friday	20 October	Show Racism The Red Card Day	-
Friday	20 October	School closes for Half Term	-
HALF TERM HOLIDAY			

PUNCTUALITY

Please note that children are reported as late if they arrive at school after 8:55am juniors and 9am infants. We ask that parents leave home in good time so that children can arrive on time and enjoy a calm start to the day.



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ATTENDANCE

Please see below the attendance percentages for last week.

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
Rec-Mrs Dreniw	96.33%	Y2-Mrs Burke	97.33%	Y4-Mrs Gerrard/Mrs Leather	98.67%
Rec-Miss Turnbull	99.63%	Y2-Mrs Wormald/Mrs Robinson	99.33%	Y5-Mrs Luckham	100%
Rec-Miss Doherty	98.67%	Y3-Mrs McDuff	99.33%	Y5-Mrs Maguire	97.93%
Y1-Mr McCann	99.33%	Y3-Miss Hutton	96.67%	Y5-Miss Hobday	96.55%
Y1-Miss Hollins	98.67%	Y3-Mrs Needham/Mrs Jennings	98%	Y6-Mrs Sheldon	95.67%
Y1-Miss Reid	95%	Y4-Mrs Bullock	97.67%	Y6-Mrs O'Keefe/Miss Slater	99.33%
Y2-Miss Campbell	100%	Y4-Mr Kerigan	98%	Y6-Mrs Black	99.03%
Overall percentage: 98.15%					

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

Yours sincerely,

Mrs A Harrop

Headteacher