

# ST VINCENT'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

### ST VINCENT VALUES

This week parents received a letter all about the St Vincent values. Please take the time to read through the letter outlining our values and associate scripture so that parents are able to support us in keeping our values alive. The children have enjoyed talking about how they will demonstrate the values in school and children have also linked their Lenten promises to the values. We will be sharing all of the different ways we show our values in action over the coming weeks. Please see our values below:

#### MAKE A DIFFERENCE

We let our light and other's lights shine

#### BE PASSIONATE ABOUT LEARNING

We love to challenge ourselves to learn and do not give up.

#### BE KIND

We are loving, kind and caring to everyone in our community.

#### BE RESPECTFUL

We open our hearts and minds and celebrate everyone as unique.

Each value has a special icon that we will all learn to recognise:



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Please follow the link to see our values on our website. <http://www.stvincents.trafford.sch.uk/page/mission-and-values/26245>

## LENTEN PROMISE



The children have now all made their Lenten promises. The promises range from giving something up to doing a good deed for someone else. Please talk to your child about how their choices in Lent can make a difference to others. **#Make a difference**

## Purple Wednesday

Following our St. Vincent's tradition, each Wednesday will be 'Purple Wednesday'. Pupils will be encouraged to wear a purple accessory. This could be a belt, bobble, hairband, friendship band, socks or tights.

Purple is used for two reasons: firstly, because it is associated with mourning and so anticipates the crucifixion, and secondly because purple is the colour associated with royalty and celebrates Christ's resurrection and sovereignty. **#Be respectful**

## YEAR 4 STAY AND PRAY



It was lovely to welcome parents to school to join us for a Year 4 Stay and Pray liturgy. Year 4 led their liturgy about Lent and we prayed for those who need our help. **#Make a difference**

## MINI VINNIES WORK



Attached is a newsletter from the Mini Vinnies charity. Please do read all about the fantastic work the children are doing to help others. **#Make a difference**



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## ASSOCIATE BOARD MEMBER



We have an exciting opportunity for an associate member to join the board of governors. Please read the letter attached to learn more. We aim to have a diverse representation on our committees, and would therefore welcome 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](mailto:admin@stvincents.trafford.sch.uk) #Make a difference #Passionate about learning #Be respectful #Be kind

## TRAFFORD HONGKONGERS



Trafford Hongkongers CIC is a not-for-profit organisation based in the Trafford area. They serve not only the Hongkonger community but also everyone in the Trafford areas so that people can mingle with each other and know more about the diversity of culture.

They have organised two activities which are suitable for primary and secondary school children and their family members. They will be conducted solely in English and details can be found in the attached leaflet. Parents can like, follow and subscribe to their social media in order to receive our latest information. #Make a difference #Passionate about learning #Be respectful #Be kind

Website: [www.traffordhongkongers.co.uk](http://www.traffordhongkongers.co.uk)

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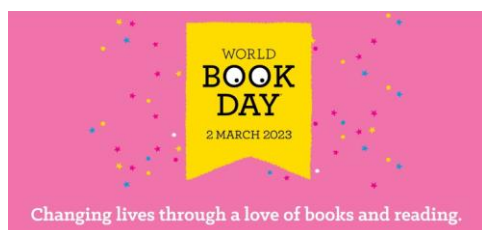
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## WORLD BOOK DAY



It was wonderful to celebrate books on World Book Day. The children enjoyed reading books to each other and talking about their favourite characters and storylines. [#Passionate about learning](#)

## PTA UPDATE



The second PTA disco and film night will take place tonight. We know the children will have a brilliant evening so a very big thank you to the PTA for organising them. [#Make a difference](#)

The next PTA events will be the Easter Eggstravaganza for the children on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March at 3.30pm and then a Cheese and Wine Night for parents on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April.





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**CHEESE & WINE  
TASTING EVENING**

*Hosted by Reserve Wines  
Award winning local wine merchants*

**20 APRIL 8PM (DOORS OPEN @ 7.30)**  
**ST VINCENT'S PRIMARY SCHOOL**

*Indulge your senses with a selection of fabulous  
wines and cheeses and enjoy a relaxed evening  
while raising money for our children.*

**TICKETS: £30 PER PERSON**  
**AVAILABLE VIA PARENTPAY**

## 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 [admin@stvincents.trafford.sch.uk](mailto:admin@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](mailto:office@stvincentsnursery.com)

## DATES LIST SPRING 2

DAY	DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
Tuesday	07 March	Maths and Calculations Workshop	Junior department hall
Wednesday	08 March	Pupil Art Gallery, All parents invited 3:00-5:30pm	Infant 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 1:00 - 5.30pm	Infant department
Friday	10 March	CAFOD Lenten Fundraising Day: Lenten fundraising commences	-



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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
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
Friday	31 March	PTA Easter Eggstravaganza	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>



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

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
RMH	97.92	2CG/EL	100	4JM	90.00
RLT	92.50	2AB	100	5JK	92.08
RML	98.33	3ES	100	5LM	97.50
1LH	95.42	3DMcD	97.50	5CL	96.37
1AMcC	95.83	3CN/CR	91.25	6NS	98.33
1CR	100	4FJ	98.33	6DH	94.76
2LC	97.50	4HB	94.17	6DK	97.50
<b>Overall percentage: 96.44%</b>					

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

