

# ST VINCENT'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

### YEAR 3 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME



Thank you to everyone who came along to the celebration Mass for the children in Year 3 who received their Holy Communion recently. Thank you to all of our parish priests, staff and parents who helped to prepare the children so well.

### ARE YOU INTERESTED OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?



Are you someone or do you know someone who is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? Perhaps you are thinking about what it means to be called to the Catholic way of life. In Autumn St Vincent's parish will be offering you the chance to come and find out more about a programme called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) whereby adults can learn and discern whether to become Catholic Christians. If you would like to know more about this please speak to either Canon Jonathan or Fr Robert or email the [parishoffice@stvincentsaltrincham.org.uk](mailto:parishoffice@stvincentsaltrincham.org.uk)

### DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND



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"Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today and forever." Under the leadership of Bishop Mark Davies, the diocese will be making a pilgrimage to the Holy Land in February 2024. Further information and a booking form are available on the Diocesan website <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/diocesanpilgrimage-to-the-holy-land-2024/>

If you have any questions regarding the pilgrimage, please contact Father David Long: [longdv1@aol.com](mailto:longdv1@aol.com)

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



We would like to offer parents the opportunity to provide feedback on Catholic ethos and Religious Education provision in school. We would appreciate it if you could take some time to complete the survey below. Your views are important to us and we value your feedback.

[Parent Stakeholder Survey 2023](#)

## JOURNEY IN LOVE LESSONS

# A Journey in LOVE

*A developmental programme  
for children in the primary years*

As part of our Journey in Love scheme of work, the children will be taught about relationship and sex education, in a sensitive and age appropriate way over the next few weeks. Please find the links to the curriculum content so that you can support your child in their learning:

[Relationship and Sex Education](#)

[RSE Booklet](#)



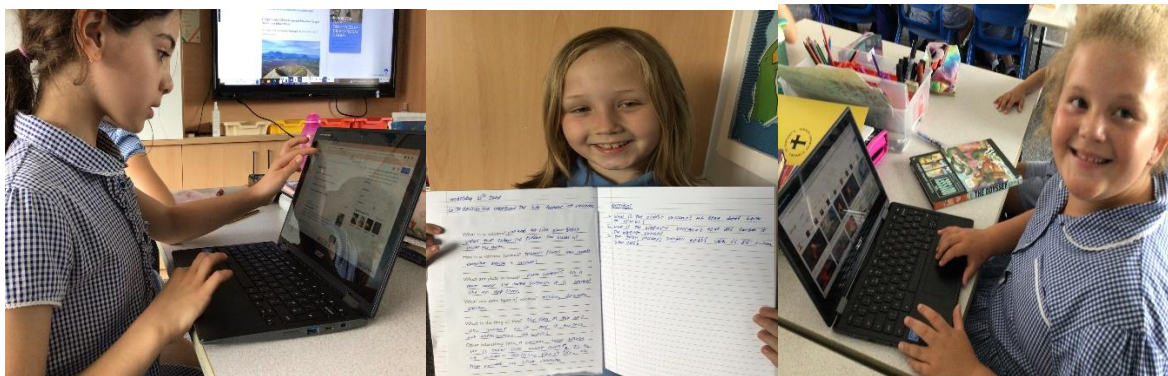
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## CURRICULUM UPDATE



This week Year 4 have been learning about volcanoes as part of their geography topic. They created their own enquiry questions and researched them on the computers. They really enjoy using their class Chromebooks to research and make their own websites. We are fortunate to have access to such wonderful technology to support our learning.

As part of our curriculum development we have invested in supporting learning via technology. To find out more about our curriculum for computing and all other subjects, please see the [curriculum](#) tab on our website.

## WALK TO SCHOOL TRAVEL TRACKER CHALLENGE



Well done to Miss Hollins' and Miss Reid's classes for continuing to be the Travel Tracker Champions by recording the most active journeys to school over the past 2 weeks.

Please support us in keeping our community safe by walking to school or by parking at Tesco so that children can park and stride to school.

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## KEY DATES

DAY	DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
Wednesday	28 June	Year 6 Photograph (whole year)	-
Thursday	29 June	Junior Saint Peter and Paul Mass: 9:15am Infant Saint Peter and Paul Liturgy: 9:15am	Junior department hall Infant department hall
Thursday	29 June	New Reception Parents' Meeting 6:15pm	Infant department hall
Friday	30 June	Own clothes day – bottle donation	-
Tuesday	4 July	Infant Sports Day 9:30 – 11:30am Year 1 and 2 Sports Day 1:30pm – 2:30pm Reception Sports Day	School Field
Wednesday	5 July	Junior Sports Day 9:30 – 11:30am Year 5 and 6 Sports Day 1:30pm – 3:15pm Year 3 and 4 Sports Day	School Field
Saturday	8 July	PTA Summer Fair 12-3:00pm	School Field
Tuesday	11 July	Y2 Performance 9:30am Y6 Performance 1:30pm	Department halls
Wednesday	12 July	Y2 Performance 9:30am Y6 Performance 6:30pm	Department halls
Thursday	13 July	Y6 Performance 6:30pm	Junior department
Friday	14 July	End of year reports sent to parents	-
Friday	14 July	Y6 Leavers' Disco 6:00-9:00pm	Junior department hall
Wednesday	19 July	Y6 Leavers' Mass 6:30pm	St Vincent's Church
Thursday	20 July	Whole School End of Year Mass 9:30am	School Field
Friday	21 July	SCHOOL CLOSED FOR SUMMER	



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## ATTENDANCE



### Routine Appointments

We ask that all routine appointments for the dentist and opticians be taken outside of school time. Should a non-routine appointment be needed in school time, please produce the appointment confirmation to the admin team.

### Term Time Absence

Please note we do not authorise holidays in term time. We also do not permit children to leave school early to travel to a destination. We are obliged to record any absence of this kind as unauthorised.

### Term Dates for 2023 - 2024

Please see the link for our [term dates](#) so that holidays can be booked outside of term time, during our school holidays.

### Supporting Families

We monitor the attendance of all children. Children who have patterns of non-attendance or attendance below 90% will be contacted by school to offer support to improve attendance rates.

Please see below the attendance percentages for last week.

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
RMH	99%	2CG/EL	98.67%	4JM	99.33%
RLT	98%	2AB	99.67%	5JK	99.33%
RLD	100%	3ES	90.67%	5LM	96.33%
1LH	96%	3DMcD	99%	5CL	97.42%
1AMcC	100%	3CN/CR	96.33%	6NS	90.33%
1CR	98%	4FJ	98.67%	6DH	93.23%
2LC	98.67%	4HB	96.67%	6DK	93.33%





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Overall percentage: 97.03%

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

