

St Vincent's School Council Newsletter



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A message from the Chair of our School

This half term the school council have been so busy creating and presenting an assembly as part of Children's Mental Health week, and providing you with your weekly updates. They've been busy preparing for our Live Simply visit ready for the assessment (read on to find out what happened). They also had a very busy Sunday partaking in a community litter pick. Finally, they met with Mr Vernon to give their pupil voice and outlook on the behaviour policy. In a few weeks, the councillors are looking forward to meeting with school governors and starting to plan many fundraising events for our school.

Upcoming Events and Priorities

Mental Health Week

Governor Meeting

Outdoor Prayer Space development

Yellow Day for CF

Alder Hay Fundraiser

Easter Planning

Live Simply Celebration

You said, we did....

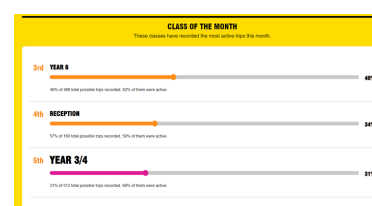


Following the council meeting, we meet and collate your responses from all classes

You: Councillors have noticed that the suggestion boxes are not being used as regularly as they were. Councillors are interested in your ideas for Mental Health Week and if you have any events you would like to fundraise for personally. They are always happy to meet you and discuss your ideas.

WOW

All councillors were so impressed with the 'eco effort' being made by all classes this year, overall Y6 were our eco class of the month. Healthy Living Councillors will now give their first badge to Y6 and at the end of the year we shall see which class has the most to earn a prize. Remember that CAFOD are also celebrating the Big Lent Walk.



To love, serve and learn as Jesus shows us

Children's Mental Health Week



2023: Our Mental Health Champions lead a whole school assembly for Children's Mental Health Week to raise awareness of the need to connect with others.



Penketh Community Litter Pick



As part of our Live Simply award, the councillors wanted to reach more into the community this year. After speaking to Penketh Parish Council, they organised a series of community litter picking sessions with the hope that this will now continue as an after school club too!

Sustainable Snack

Healthy Living councillors are so pleased that their sustainable snack idea has really taken off, with fruit being given out each Friday if there is any left over. They has also designed a poster to show you an example of a healthy pack lunch which they are going to share soon.



CAFOD: Big Lent Walk

During Lent, why not sign up to the Big Lent Walk to raise money for Global Poverty.

[Join the Community Big Lent Walk \(cafod.org.uk\)](https://www.cafod.org.uk)



Lent calendar 2023						
Week:	One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six
M	27 February	6 March	13 March	20 March	27 March	3 April
T	28 February	7 March	14 March	21 March	28 March	4 April
W	Ash Weds 1 March	8 March	15 March	22 March	29 March	5 April
T	20 February	2 March	9 March	16 March	23 March	Mundy Thursday 30 March
F	24 February	CAFOD Fast Day 2 March	10 March	17 March	24 March	Good Friday 31 March
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Living Simply News



Just before the holidays, councillors met with the CAFOD assessors of the Live Simply award. Overall, they were so amazed and in awe of the amazing work they are doing to live simply, live in solidarity and Live sustainably. It was with great pleasure that they achieved the first award in the borough of Warrington. Justine, one of the assessors said, "In compiling the report, the assessors noted there was much to commend, including "this school is a lovely, caring, nurturing and outward looking school, which just oozes care for each other and for creation" They also noted the really rounded, wide understanding of caring that the children have, the School's good use of what is on your doorstep to let you live out your faith e.g. Nearby Care Home where children visit and interact & the Local Coop for Fairtrade and also to get funding for your Prayer Garden. They also commended the school enabling all in the school community to flourish in their commitment to Live Simply. Councillors are now ready to celebrate and hope to meet with the archbishop and CAFOD assessors to receive their plaque. What a journey!