

St Vincent's Catholic Primary

School Newsletter



To love, serve and learn as Jesus shows us

Friday 18th December 2020

 **Merry Christmas everyone!** 

This year has been a year like no other, but as it comes to a close, whilst acknowledging the difficulties that we have all faced in some way, let us also remember the positives that have emerged—the strength of community, the joy of welcoming back the children to school and reuniting friends, the virtual celebrations shared online, the determination to overcome challenges.

I am sure you will join me in thanking our Staff and Governors for their continued hard work and commitment to ensuring the best for the children, and for continuing to make our school a successful place of love, service and learning. Wishing them a well-deserved and restful Christmas!

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support. What has been the most challenging start to a year that we have ever faced has been made so much easier and manageable knowing that we have your support. This confirms my faith and belief in how special our school community is, and I continue to be so proud to be Head Teacher of the wonderful school family of St Vincent's.

On behalf of all the staff, I would like to wish each you all a **peaceful** Christmas filled **joy** and **love** and a New Year which brings **hope** and promise for a better 2021.

We look forward to welcoming you all back on **Tuesday 5th January 2021**.

Mr Dominic Vernon



WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Week ending: 11/1220

| Year Group | Attendance |
|------------|------------|
| Reception | 100% |
| Year 1 | 87.3% |
| Year 2 | 10% |
| Year 3 | 98.6% |
| Year 4 | 96.7% |
| Year 5 | 91.6% |
| Year 6D | 98.9% |
| Year 6W | 99% |

Congratulations to Reception and Year 2 for 100% attendance.

HOUSE POINTS RUNNING TOTALS

| St George | St Patrick | St Andrew | St David |
|-----------|------------|-----------|----------|
| 1360 | 1375 | 1526 | 1174 |

WELL DONE TO THE WINNING TEAM FOR THIS HALF TERM: ST ANDREW

DATES FOR THE DIARY

| | |
|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Monday | • INSET DAY |
| Tuesday 5th January 2021 | • SCHOOL RE-OPENS |
| Wednesday | |
| Thursday | |
| Friday | |

For your information...

REPORTING COVID-19 CASES NEXT WEEK

In line with DfE guidance published last week, we must continue to report any positive COVID-19 cases until Thursday 24th December. If your child receives a positive COVID-19 test result over the weekend or next week up to and included Christmas Eve, you must notify us so that we can take the appropriate action. Please use the following e-mail which will be monitored daily:

office@stvincentsprimary.org

If we are notified of positive cases over the weekend, we are required to contact anyone who has had close contact and inform them that they are to self-isolate. Any positive cases from Monday until Christmas Eve will not result in any close contacts needing to self-isolate as the contact will have been outside the infectious period, however we are still required to report these cases to the Local Authority and Public Health England.

If your child, or a member of your household receives a positive COVID-19 test after Christmas, which will impact on your child returning to school from Tuesday 5th January, please notify us using the above email address on Monday 4th January when staff will be in school for an INSET day. Thank you

FOLLOW THE STAR TRAIL



Don't forget the Penketh "Follow the Star" trail, in which St Vincent's is one of the stops. We hope that you will enjoy the trail and take a walk around our local community, finding the clues and visiting the wonderful Nativity scenes on display as part of your festive activities around Christmas. The trail is available to download from our website.



OUT OF SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS



Congratulations:

Jessica H completed a karate grading at the weekend and is now a green belt with a tab!

Daisy-Mai W has received an award for being the most improved street dancer



RECEPTION CLASS ADMISSIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2021

We can now accept applications for a place at the School for the Reception children due to start school in September 2021. Visits to school are warmly welcomed and encouraged. Please contact the school office to book an individual visit to our school.

All applications to the Council must now be made online. The web address for those families living in Warrington is: www.warrington.gov.uk/admissions For those living outside of Warrington, please contact the Local Authority Admissions team to find out how to apply. If you do not have access to a device and email account the contact number for Warrington Admissions is 01925 446226.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES - ST JOSEPH'S

Christmas Eve: 5.00pm and 7.30pm

Christmas Day: 8.30am and 11.30am

We have been advised by St Joseph's that they can only accommodate a total of 120 people for each mass detailed above. Therefore if you are

planning on attending any of the Masses, please ring the Parish office beforehand to let them know how many seats you require. Thank you.



ST ROCCO'S ELF RUN

A huge thank you for your amazing generosity in fundraising for St Rocco's Hospice. Our Elf Run has so far raised over £3,000 which is absolutely incredible!



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