

St Vincent's Catholic Primary

School Newsletter



To love, serve and learn as Jesus shows us

Friday 2nd October 2020

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Week ending: 25/09/20

Year Group	Attendance
Reception	100%
Year 1	100%
Year 2	98.2%
Year 3	96.9%
Year 4	92.9%
Year 5	77.2%
Year 6D	98.9%
Year 6W	89.2%

Well done to those classes with 100% attendance.

HARVEST DONATIONS



Thank you to all children, parents, carers and staff for your generous donations so far.

We will continue to collect any final donation on Monday and Tuesday next week.

We will then be sharing your donations with the Warrington Food Bank to help maintain food stocks to help those in need in Warrington during the lead up to Christmas, especially important during these challenging times.

Below are suggestions for donations:

Crackers, pasta, rice

Tinned food

Washing Powder

Toiletries

Tea, coffee, sugar

PUPIL OF THE WEEK



Well done to this week's super stars!

Reception	Florence D
Year 1	Maddie L
Year 2	Elise V
Year 3	Leo C
Year 4	Jude S
Year 5	Oliver R & Danny B
Year 6D	Grace P
Year 6W	Jess E

Pupil of the Week awards continue to be given during celebration assembly on a Friday morning. We are unable to gather together as a whole school at the moment so these assemblies are being held virtually.

We will continue to let you know by text if your child will be receiving the award, but unfortunately parents are unable to attend the virtual assemblies at this time due to safeguarding reasons. Thank you for your understanding.

HOUSE POINTS RUNNING TOTALS

St George	St Patrick	St Andrew	St David
359	462	498	413

COVID-19 EMAIL ADDRESS

If your child, or a member of your household receives a positive COVID-19 test result over the weekend, please notify school immediately so that we can make the necessary plans, using:

office@stvincentsprimary.org

All other communication should continue to be sent using the normal email address or telephone.

For your information...

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 pc and email account the contact number for Warrington Admissions is 01925 446226.

NUT FREE ZONE!

A reminder to all parents that children should not bring nuts, or foods containing nuts into school as there are children in our school who have a nut allergy.



PROVISION FOR REMOTE LEARNING

We are currently in the process of assigning children login details to Spelling Shed and Maths Shed which you will receive over the coming days. This will form part of homework tasks and provision for remote learning as required.

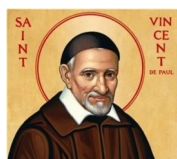
As explained initially, we are keeping this plan under review and will continue to update it with as much detail as possible to give you a clear idea of what to expect if we have to isolate a class or the whole school.

JUDAISM WEEK

Next week is Judaism Week in Come and See. The children will learn about the traditions, beliefs and practices of the Jewish faith and how we as Christians have things in common with those of other faiths and religions.



FEAST OF ST VINCENT



On Sunday it was the Feast of St Vincent, which we celebrated in school on Monday. The children celebrated Mass online, led by Father John and completed activities focussed on how we live our Mission Statement and what makes our school a special place to be.

CAFOD

On **Friday 16th October**, we will be having a non-uniform day in support of CAFOD Family Fast Day.

Children can come into school wearing their own clothes and we ask that they bring a donation of whatever you can afford. Thank you in anticipation of your support.

HAND CREAM AND LIP BALM

We absolutely understand the need for children to be using hand cream and lip balm currently due to increased handwashing and the colder weather. However, we ask that you do not send these items into school in line with restrictions, unless they are prescribed.

We are seeing increasing amounts being sent into school despite being asked to limit items in school from home, and are unable to maintain this, as these items must be treated as any other medication and cannot be stored in bags or in classrooms.

We are therefore having to follow the medication policy more closely in all cases, and only allow prescribed medication / creams in school. Thank you for your understanding.

Future dates for your diary...

Please be aware that, whilst every effort will be made to keep to dates set, at times it may be necessary to change a date so please check the newsletter which will keep you informed of any changes:

Thursday 8th October: Please make sure any phonograph orders have been returned to school by this date

Friday 16th October: School closes for Half Term
Monday 26th October: School re-opens
Tuesday 27th October: Flu immunisation session 1
W/b Monday 9th November: Anti-bullying week

For your information...

HOMEWORK

Thank you to those who have completed the online homework set last week and to those who worked through any issues! This is new to us all and the more we use it, the more we are finding the best ways forward so that should it be needed for remote learning, we are all ready to use this system. Any teething problems from school have been shared and addressed and children continue to use the system in school to build their confidence in working online. I am sure we will continue to come across issues but together we will make it work!

Not all documents shared by teachers will be editable due to their file format. If this is the case, please complete on a Word document or on paper and share these with class teachers as outlined below.

To return work to teachers, there are a number of options, giving you as much flexibility as possible:

1. Attach completed work on the assignment page shared by the class teacher, and click "hand in"
2. Attach work to a private message to the class teacher
3. If work cannot be completed electronically, complete on paper, take a photograph and attach this as outlined above.

On some devices, this may require you to download the Microsoft Teams app.

Homework continues to be optional so we will not be chasing up any homework which is not completed, but please be mindful that we are using it as an opportunity to reinforce learning so any errors or misconceptions will be identified by class teachers and then addressed in school. This is also an opportunity for children to get used to working online for it is required for remote learning. Thank you for your support.

ST GREGORY'S VISITS



A message from Mr McGlinchey, Head Teacher of St Gregory's:

A number of your parents from Years 5 and 6 have asked about our plans for Open Evening this year and as you know we are unfortunately not able to showcase our school via a normal Open Evening.

To ensure that parents have an opportunity to review our school, parents can follow the link below so that they can view our open evening video and also review information on our school 'open evening page' on our website. Paper copies of school and open evening information have also been delivered through the primary schools

<https://www.stgregoryshigh.com/about-us/open-evening>

School tours can be arranged on a family by family basis by emailing shutton@stgregoryshigh.com or schoolenquiry@stgregoryshigh.com

SCHOOL LEVY

You should have received a message and payment notification in relation to the school levy.

Please log into ParentPay for more details and to make this payment, which while voluntary, we hope that you will consider making so that this does not have to be taken out of school funding which should be used to support the children's education.

Thank you in anticipation of your support.