

St Vincent's Catholic Primary

School Newsletter



To love, serve and learn as Jesus shows us

DATES FOR THE DIARY

	<u>Events</u>	<u>Clubs</u>
Mon 21st	Celebration Assembly	Science Board games
Tues 22nd	Hearing tests (Y1 and Y2 who did not take it last year)	
Wed 23rd		Orienteering Drawing Art Boys' football
Thurs 24th	Y5 swimming	Girls' football Drama
Fri 25th	Y6: Quarry Bank Mill Y3/4: Knowsley Safari Park	

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 for any changes.

- **Sunday 27th November:** First Sunday of Advent
- **Monday 28th November:** non-uniform day (donations for Christmas Fair)
- **Tuesday 29th November:** Advent Mass: 9am in school
Flu immunisation for those who missed the first session
- **Thursday 1st / Friday 2nd December:** Music workshops
- **Monday 5th December:** Y1/2 Christmas Craft at Penketh Methodist Church
- **Tuesday 6th December:** Y6 Crucial Crew
- **Thursday 8th December:** Y5/6 Athletics tournament
- **Thursday 8th December:** Christmas Fair after school
- **Friday 9th December:** Christmas Jumper Day /
Sponsored Elf Run
- **Tuesday 13th December:** Reception / KS1 Nativity
- **Wednesday 14th December:** Christmas Lunch
Y6 Carol singing at Meadowview
- **Thursday 15th December:** Reception vision screening
Class Christmas celebrations
- **Friday 16th December:** Christmas Assembly at Church
- **Friday 16th December:** School closes for Christmas

Friday 18th November 2022

LEARNER OF THE WEEK



Well done to this week's super stars!

Reception	Daisy
Year 1/2	Sophia
Year 3/4	Libby
Year 4/5	Taylor
Year 6	Poppy

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Week ending: 11/11/2022

Year Group	Attendance
Reception	98%
Year 1/2	96%
Year 3/4	97%
Year 4/5	99%
Year 6	86%

Well done to Year 4/5 class who had the best attendance

HOUSE POINTS RUNNING TOTALS

St George	St Patrick	St Andrew	St David
292	239	232	309

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

This week, the children have been reminded of what bullying is, and what they should do if they feel like they, or someone else is being bullied. Thank you to our School Council who launched the week with a great assembly and "Odd Sock Day".

Remember to

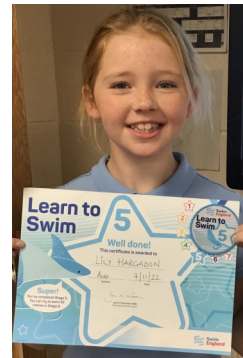




Congratulations to Harris who has achieved Grade 1 and 2 in roller skating!

OUT OF SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS

Lily has completed her Stage 5 swimming. Well done!



Charlotte took part in a gymnastics competition and won two medals. Congratulations!



Libby and Mia have featured in the Warrington Guardian along with their football team!



Well done to Bonnie who has received a dance award. Great news!

RECEPTION CLASS ADMISSIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2023

If your child is due to start school in September 2023, we would like to extend an invitation to you to come and visit our school. If you know of someone else with a child due to start school, please pass this information on or direct them to Twitter / our school website. Please contact the school office to arrange your personal tour of our school. We look forward to welcoming you!

All applications must now be made online by 16th January 2023. The web address for those families living in Warrington is:

www.warrington.gov.uk/primary-school-admissions

For those living outside of Warrington, please contact the Local Authority Admissions team to find out how to apply.

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.



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If your child will be starting school in September, we would like to extend an invitation to you to come and visit our school.

Please contact the school office on 01925 726544 to arrange your personal tour of our school.

Everyone is welcome at St Vincent's - we look forward to welcoming you!

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Website: www.stvincentsprimary.org
Twitter: @stvincentsrcp

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SPORTS NEWS

Unfortunately, the Year 6 football tournament was postponed on Thursday due to a water-logged pitch. We await confirmation of a rescheduled date.

Upcoming events to be confirmed:

Gymnastics

Athletics

Girls' football

We also await details of a local football league that is being set up. Watch this space for further details as they are confirmed.

MENTAL HEALTH CHAMPIONS TOP TIP

Reach out and connect

As well as being the theme for anti-bullying week, reaching out to others is also a great way to ensure you have positive mental health.

1. Connecting with others, reaching out and talking is a great way of sharing your thoughts, feelings or worries with someone else.
2. Reaching out to a new person who you've never spoken to or played with before might help to make that person feel special and connected.



CHRISTMAS EVENTS

Thursday
8th
December

Christmas Fair after school

Please contact Jo Croughan or the school office if you can help with organisation both before and on the day.

Wednesday
14th
December

Year 6 Carol singing at Meadowview

Christmas Lunch

Friday 9th
December

Christmas Jumper Day

Sponsored Elf Run (donations for school fund and St Rocco's Hospice)

Thursday
15th
December

Reception and Y1/2 Christmas Parties

Key Stage 2 Christmas Party Quiz

Non-uniform day

Tuesday
13th
December

Reception and KS1 Nativity

Details to be shared separately

Friday 16th
December

Christmas Assembly: 9.30am at Church

Please let us know if you can help to walk the children to and from Church



ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Please note that we are now returning to pre-COVID-19 expectations and monitoring of attendance and punctuality as absence due to COVID-19 is no longer coded any differently to other illness and there is no requirement to remain absent once well enough to attend school. Information about attendance and punctuality is contained within your child's school planner and our full school policy is available on the school website.

Attendance

Attendance is monitored regularly, and if your child's attendance starts to cause concern, the following action will be taken in the first instance:

Parents/carers of any child whose attendance has already fallen below 90% will shortly receive a letter, and if attendance does not improve, then a meeting will be arranged to discuss support and next steps.

From the Spring Term onwards, parents/carers of any child whose attendance has fallen below 95% will receive a letter explaining that attendance is being monitored and must improve. Absence below 95% marks a significant loss of learning time for a child.

School term dates are published a year in advance so that family holidays can be planned. It is therefore not necessary to take children out of school for holidays and any holidays during term time will be unauthorised.

100%	OUTSTANDING!
97% +	Excellent! <i>Less than 6 days absent in a year.</i>
95%	10 days (2 weeks) absent in a year. <i>Attendance level will be monitored.</i>
90%	19 days absent over a year (almost a month). <i>This is classed as persistent absence and is unacceptable. Attendance must improve and action could now be taken.</i>
85% or below	29 days absent over a year (almost a half term). <i>Attendance at this level most certainly will result in the involvement of the Attendance Officer.</i>

Punctuality

School begins at 8.45am. If your child arrives after the close of the register at 8.50am, they will be marked as late. Teaching punctuality is an important skill and shows respect for other people. Lateness sets the day off to a poor start for everyone, prevents learning from beginning efficiently and above all is embarrassing for the child. Lateness also impacts significantly on learning – 5 minutes late every day adds up to 3 whole days of lost learning time.

Medical appointments

Any medical appointments should, where possible, be made for out of school hours. If an appointment is within school time we should be notified prior to this appointment and children should be collected / dropped off from the school office.

Thank you for your support of Children in Need.
Our non-uniform day as raised £115!

*Come and enjoy
An Afternoon of
Christmas Festivities
With*

*Coffee Cake & Carols
Community Event*



Featuring:
St Gregory's School Choir

Thursday 15th December 1.00pm

Tickets: Adult £5.00 Children Free

Which includes Tea/Coffee

A Slice of Cake and a raffle ticket.

**Venue: St Joseph's Parish Centre
Meeting Lane. Penketh. WA52BB**

**Tickets available at St Joseph's Presbytery or
contact: Tracey 07756887114**

Callands
Chapelord
Great Sankey
Mall
Penketh
Westbrook
White Hall
...and surrounding areas



WE ARE...
ADVENTURERS
FUTURE MAKERS
GAME CHANGERS
GIRLS AND BOYS
CHARITY VOLUNTEERS
COMMUNITY FOCUSED
INSPIRED
GROWING
INCLUSIVE
SHAPED BY SCOUTS
MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Scouting is about opportunity for Boys and Girls - from support and friendship to new skills and renewed confidence; Scouting brings a spirit of optimism and practicality to its work. We welcome all young people into Scouting and we believe passionately in what we do.

Young people have great things to offer In Scouting, they get the opportunity to discover their potential, benefit from a positive, supportive environment and make a difference.

BEAVER 6-8 years



CUBS 8-10½ years



SCOUTS 10½ - 14 years



Beaver Scout Colonies are open every night of the week in your area!

We also have vacancies in our Cubs and Scouts groups – please email heather.harper@30thwarringtonscouts.org.uk for details

Day	Colony Name	Time	Venue
Wednesday	10 th (St. Marys)	18:00-19:00	The Scout Hut, Highfield Avenue, Gt. Sankey
Monday	32 nd (St. Phillips)	18:30-19:30	Netzone Building, Gulliver's World
Tuesday	7 th (Sankey Valley)	18:30-19:30	Hood Manor Scout Centre, Dorchester Road, Gt. Sankey
Wednesday	34 th (Chapelord)	18:00-19:00	Chapelord School, Chapelord
Wednesday	28 th (Latham Hall)	18:15-19:15	Latham Hall, Warrington Road, Penketh
Wednesday	16 th (Burtonwood)	18:30-19:30	Chapel Lane, Burtonwood
Thursday	15 th (St. Josephs)	18:15-19:15	St Joseph's Community Centre, Meeting Lane, Penketh
Friday	30 th (Penketh Methodist)	18:00-19:00	Penketh Methodist Olive Tree, Chapel Rd, Penketh
Friday	32 nd (St. Phillips)	18:30-19:30	Netzone Building Gulliver's World



All this is made possible by basic facilities and small teams of dedicated adult volunteers. Positive role models are vitally important. We want to inspire a new generation filled with a generosity of spirit and a determination to make things better for themselves and their communities.

Do you know someone with great people skills? Motivated and able to lead, support and work with adults and children? Enthusiastic and passionate? With the support of our amazing volunteers Scouting changes lives.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer or your child would like to become a Beaver, Cub or Scout please email Heather Harper heather.harper@30thwarringtonscouts.org.uk or 07713-734409 for details.