

# St Vincent's Catholic Primary School



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Dear Parents,

## HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

Welcome back to school, I hope you enjoyed half term. This half term will prove to be another busy and exciting one as we prepare for advent.

### PARENTS' EVENING

Parents' evening will take place next week on **Wednesday 9 November 3:45-7pm**. Last year we successfully introduced on line parent meeting bookings. Most parents have now signed up for a slot. If you haven't already signed up please do so using the following instructions:

- Enter the school website and click on 'PARENT LOGIN'
- Enter your username and password. (*Reception parents received this by email from School Spider on 27 September – please check your junk folder if it is not in your inbox*)
- Click on the Parents' Evenings tab and select the time slot you require
- Note that if you have a more than one child at the school you can select a different child by clicking in the top right hand corner

**For reception parents and those new to St. Vincent's, parents' evening is organised as follows:**

- Meet your class teacher in the infant or junior hall for your parent consultation.
- Visit your child's classroom to look at their work.
- During your consultation your class teacher will talk through our new snapshot report. This will be a short report for your child(ren) showing how they are performing in reading, writing and mathematics.
- At the end of the consultation all parents will be handed a school questionnaire. The questionnaire covers questions on lots of school aspects. We are keen to work with parents and value your thoughts so that we can use them for our continuous school improvement. For this reason, we ask that you take the time to complete the questionnaire. If possible, please can parents complete the questionnaire on the night of parents' evening. There will be a box in the infant and junior reception area to return completed questionnaires.

On parents' evening, Mrs Gee our pastoral care leader, will be available from 4 - 5:30pm in the infant department and 5:30 - 7pm in the junior department if you would like to speak to her.

Please also note that we do not provide childcare facilities at parents' evening.

### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME REMINDER

There will be a meeting for parents of children in year 3 about the sacramental programme on **Tuesday 15 November at 7pm in the junior hall**. This is a very important meeting and we hope all parents can attend. Father John and Father Martin will outline the programme and out give important information. Please look out for a further email to parents of those children in year 3 to follow this newsletter.

### MISSION TOGETHER

Thank you for all of your donations for Mission Together. We collected £1080.19 in total.

## REMEMBRANCE

We will be supporting the Royal British Legion again this year. Poppies and poppy themed items are now sale for the children.

## FLU NASAL SPRAY – YEARS 1, 2 AND 3

The flu nasal spray vaccine will be administered in school on Tuesday 6 December to those children in years 1, 2 and 3 whose parents completed a consent form requesting it. If you completed the consent form but your child has now received the vaccine through your GP, please ensure that you inform the school office.

## ATTENDANCE FIGURES

Attendance Percentages	
Best infant class attendance	Miss Coffey 99.6%
Best junior class attendance	Mrs Sutton 100%
Overall school attendance	97.15%

Please note that disability related absences are not taken into account when calculating best attendance.

## SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

School photographs were sent home on the last day of term. The deadline for ordering school photographs is today, Friday 4 November. Please drop any final requests this afternoon to your child's teacher or the office until 4pm. The photographer requests that any late orders be sent to her directly with the £4 late order payment. Her address is on the blue slip in your child's photograph envelope.

## PARENT AND TEACHER ASSOCIATION NEWS

Plans are now well underway for the Christmas Fair which is taking place on Saturday 26 November 2016. Information regarding donations, Santa's Grotto and raffle tickets will be sent home with the children early next week. Next week we'll start to collect donations for the fair. If you have any unwanted toys which are still in a good condition or any items suitable for the wrapping room please can you get them ready to bring into school.

To keep up to date with PTA news please join our Facebook page 'St Vincent's Catholic Primary School PTA' or visit the following link from the school website, <http://stvincents.trafford.sch.uk/page/pta/8945> or email [stvincentspta@gmail.com](mailto:stvincentspta@gmail.com).

We aim to be a listening school and offer an open door to parents. Mr Blain, deputy head teacher is based in the junior department and Mrs Tiernan, deputy head teacher is based in the infant department and both will be very happy to answer any initial questions you may have.

Yours sincerely,



A. Harrop (Mrs)

Headteacher