

St Vincent's Catholic Primary School



Headteacher: Mrs A Harrop, MEd NPQH

22 September 2017

HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

WHOLE SCHOOL MASS

Thanks to everyone who joined us for the whole school Mass. It was wonderful to see so many parents and grandparents join us.

CURRICULUM EVENINGS

Thank you to all of the parents who came to the reception class curriculum and phonic evening this week. We look forward to the Year 1 and 2 curriculum and phonic meeting on Wednesday 27 September at 5:30pm and 6:45pm respectively.

DYSLEXIA FRIENDLY STATUS

We are delighted to have received our certificate for our Dyslexia Friendly Status. Our best practice has also been highlighted in Altrincham Today. Please see the link to see the article: <http://altrincham.today/2017/09/20/st-vincent's-primary-school-recognised-becoming-dyslexia-friendly/>

SUNSHINE CLUB LAUNCH INVITATION

The Sunshine Club launch will take place on Tuesday 26 September at 5pm in the junior hall. Parents are welcome to join us to mark our opening of the Sunshine Club.

WINTER UNIFORM

Thank you for changing to the winter uniform, the children look really smart.

INDIVIDUAL PHOTOGRAPHS

Individual photographs will take place on Monday 25 and Tuesday 26 September.

HARVEST TIME ARRANGEMENTS

During the harvest period we have lots of activities planned. Please see the planner attached for more information about our Harvest Mass and Liturgy, supporting Trafford South Foodbank/ Cornerstone, an 'Own Clothes Day' for the children, and the 'St Vincent's Bake Off'.

NATIONAL EYE HEALTH WEEK

This week is national eye health week. Please see attached a leaflet from The See More, Learn More, Go Further! Project - NHS England - Greater Manchester Health and Social Care Partnership.



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RECEPTION COFFEE MORNING

It was great to welcome lots of reception parents at our coffee morning today. Thanks to our PTA who helped to organise this event.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

We will be holding a Macmillan coffee morning for parents, grandparents, friends and neighbours on Friday 29 September between 9 and 10am. Catch up over a tea, coffee, cakes and biscuits. Donations of cakes and biscuits will be gratefully received from Thursday 28 September. The money we raise at our coffee morning will help us make sure no one has to face cancer alone. This is always a special morning where we can come together to show our support.

NUT FREE SCHOOL

Several of our children have nut allergies. For this reason, we ask that children do not bring in food or any other product containing nuts.

PTA NEW PARENTS' SOCIAL EVENING

The PTA will be hosting a social event for parents with children in Reception on the 6 October 2017 from 7:30pm at The Ivy League in Altrincham. This will be a great chance to meet other reception parents. Places are £5 per person and include a drink on arrival. Places are limited to 80 people and you can purchase your place on ParentPay.

PTA WELCOME

The AGM of the PTA will be held on the Tuesday 26 September at 7:30pm in the Infant Hall. Everybody is very welcome to come along to learn what the PTA achieved over the past year and plans for the upcoming year. New members wanting to join the committee or offer help to plan a specific event are always welcome. We look forward to seeing you there.

ATTENDANCE FIGURES FOR PREVIOUS WEEK

Attendance Percentages	
Highest infant class attendance	Reception Miss Coffey, Y1 Mrs Burke/Mrs Gerrard, Y2 Mr Nicholls and Miss Butler all 100%
Highest junior class attendance	Y3 Mrs Luckham and Y4 Mr McCann both 100%
Overall school attendance	98.6%

*Please note that disability related absence are not taken into account when calculating best attendance



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

Yours sincerely,

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Headteacher

