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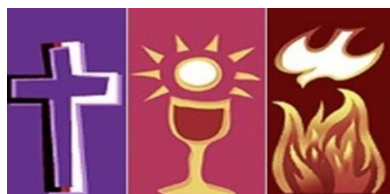


17<sup>th</sup> November 2023

## HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

### YEAR 3 SACRAMENTAL JOURNEY



Thank you to the parents who came along to the Year 3 Sacramental Programme meeting this week, it was lovely to see so many parents attend. We are looking forward to the Enrolment Mass at St Vincent's Church on Sunday at 10am and Holy Angels at 10:30am.

Please pray for our children who are journeying through the Sacramental programme.

#make a difference

*Loving God,*

*Pour out your blessing upon our beloved children,*

*That during this time of Sacramental preparation*

*They may grow closer to you,*

*And come to know your special love for them.*

*May this time of preparation be a time of blessing*

*For our families and our community,*

*And unite us all in your great love.*

*Amen.*



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## FRANCIS HOUSE CHRISTMAS APPEAL



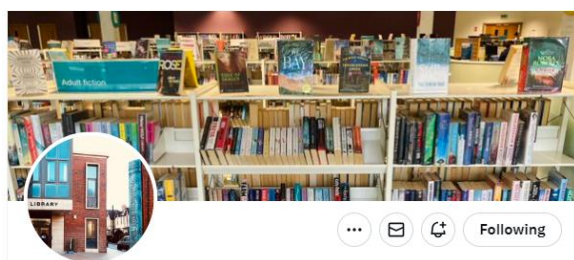
Calling all creatives, crafts-people and knitters! The Mini Vinnies are hosting a charity fundraising stall at the Christmas Fair and need hand-made donations of knitted items, or any other hand-made items to raise money for Francis House Children's Hospice.

The children have been knitting scarves, accessories and making Christmas craft packs to sell for this wonderful charity.

If you can - please donate any hand-crafted items to either the junior or infant office by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December. The Mini Vinnies will collect all donations. Thank you in advance for all your wonderful creations!

#make a difference

## TRAFFORD LIBRARIES



### Opening hours

Day	Open+ hours	Staffed hours
Monday	9:00am - 8:30pm	10:00am - 5:00pm
Tuesday	9:00am - 8:30pm	10:00am - 5:00pm
Wednesday	9:00am - 8:30pm	10:00am - 7:00pm
Thursday	9:00am - 8:30pm	10:00am - 5:00pm
Friday	9:00am - 8:30pm	10:00am - 5:00pm
Saturday	10:00am - 4:00pm	10:00am - 4:00pm

We love our local libraries and the children love visiting them as part of our reading enrichments. We would like to remind you of all the wonderful events that are taking place there, such as community workshops, author visits and special groups for younger children. Please see the handle, @TraffLibraries, on X for more information and above for the Altrincham opening times.

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## APPLY FOR A SCHOOL PLACE - RECEPTION SEPTEMBER 2024 APPLICATIONS



If your child is due to start Reception in September 2024, please follow the steps below.

Trafford are accepting applications for Reception places until the deadline of 15 January 2024. Please see the following guidance to help you in your application.

<https://www.trafford.gov.uk/residents/schools/school-admissions/Primary/primary-school-admissions.aspx>

Catholic schools also require a supplementary form and copy of baptismal certificate to be submitted. **These must be submitted to our school office before 15 January 2024.**

[https://spaces.schoolspider.co.uk/uploads/120/files/5.ADM\\_New\\_Supplementary\\_Application\\_Form.pdf](https://spaces.schoolspider.co.uk/uploads/120/files/5.ADM_New_Supplementary_Application_Form.pdf)

Please contact our admin team if you have any questions about the admission process, [admissions@stvincents.trafford.sch.uk](mailto:admissions@stvincents.trafford.sch.uk).

**#Be passionate about learning**

## NUT FREE SCHOOL



At our school we operate as a nut free zone. Please ensure that children are not provided with products in their lunch bags that contain nuts. We have a number of children and staff in school who would be put at significant risk if they were to come into contact with any nut based items. Thank you in advance for your support in this matter.



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## PARENT AND TEACHER ASSOCIATION (PTA)

### CHRISTMAS WREATH MAKING EVENING: THURSDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 7PM



This is a lovely evening of Christmas Wreath making and socialising over a festive drink or two! The session is run by a local florist using fresh, high quality products. All parents, family members and friends (adults only) of St. Vincent's are very welcome to come along to the event which is always very popular. Tickets are now on sale on ParentPay but will be limited.

### CHRISTMAS FAIR: SATURDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER 12-3PM



Preparations for our Christmas Fair on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December are underway and lots of volunteers are still needed to make it a success. Your class reps will reach out to you via your class WhatsApp group so please come forward asap if you can help in any way. We really do need your help to make it a success.





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## DONATIONS

Please see the attached donations calendar for the Christmas Fair. There will be 'non-uniform' days on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November and Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December as an incentive to bring in donations.

Tokens that can be used on stalls at the fair are on sale on ParentPay on now.

## CHRISTMAS GROTTO (MEET SANTA AND HIS ELVES) AND STOCKING MAKING WORKSHOPS

Tickets for these very popular events (both taking place within the fair) are on sale via ParentPay. Meeting Father Christmas is always extremely popular so please book early to avoid disappointment.

## CHRISTMAS EVENTS IN ALTRINCHAM

Blessed Thomas Holford and Altrincham BID have asked us to share their Christmas fair details and events calendar, respectively, with our school community. Therefore, please find information about them in the attachments.

## AUTUMN 2 DATES

DAY	DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
Sunday	19 November	Y3 Sacramental Programme Enrolment Mass 10am	St. Vincent's Church
Sunday	19 November	Y3 Sacramental Programme Enrolment Mass for children in Holy Angels parish 10:30am	Holy Angels Church
Thursday	23 November	KS2 Class Assembly: 9:15am led by Y6 Mrs Sheldon's class	Junior hall
Thursday	30 November	KS1 Class Assembly 9:15am led by Y1 Mr McCann's class	Infant hall
Saturday	02 December	PTA Christmas Fair	Both departments
Monday	04 December	Reception Nativity Dress Rehearsal	Infant hall
Monday	04 December	Y4 Christmas Concert Dress Rehearsal	Junior hall
Tuesday	05 December	Reception Nativity Play 1/2: 9:15am	Infant hall
Tuesday	05 December	Y4 Christmas Concert 1/2: 1:45pm	Junior hall
Wednesday	06 December	Reception Nativity Play 2/2: 9:15am	Infant hall



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Wednesday	06 December	Y4 Christmas Concert 2/2: 6:30pm	Junior hall
Thursday	07 December	Advent Mass 9:15am	Infant hall Junior hall
Friday	08 December	Parents 'Stay and Share' : 8:30am: Y1-6	Y1-6 Classrooms
Wednesday	13 December	Christmas Lunch/ Parties/ Father Christmas Visit	Both departments
Thursday	14 December	KS2 Class Assembly 9:15 led by Y4 Mrs Bullock's class	Junior hall
Monday	18 December	Christmas Service 6:30pm	St Vincent's Church
Wednesday	20 December	Christmas Pantomime	Both departments
Thursday	21 December	School Closes	-
<b>CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY</b>			

## ATTENDANCE

Please see below the attendance percentages for last week.

Class	Attendance	Class	Attendance	Class	Attendance
Rec-Mrs Dreniw	95%	Y2-Mrs Burke	99%	Y4-Mrs Gerrard/Mrs Leather	96.33%
Rec-Miss Turnbull	99.66%	Y2-Mrs Wormall/Mrs Robinson	99.33%	Y5-Mrs Luckham	92.67%
Rec-Miss Doherty	97.33%	Y3-Mrs McDuff	96.67%	Y5-Mrs Maguire	97.67%
Y1-Mr McCann	99.33%	Y3-Miss Hutton	99.03%	Y5-Miss Hobday	97%
Y1-Miss Hollins	99.33%	Y3-Mrs Needham/Mrs Jennings	95.67%	Y6-Mrs Sheldon	97.33%
Y1-Miss Reid	98.67%	Y4-Mrs Bullock	97.67%	Y6-Mrs O'Keefe/Miss Kirk	94%
Y2-Miss Campbell	96.33%	Y4-Mr Kerigan	95.33%	Y6-Mrs Black	95.48%
<b>Overall percentage: 97.08%</b>					

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We offer an open door to parents. If you have any questions about school life, please liaise with your class teacher. Mrs Farrell (infant deputy head), Mrs Sutton (junior deputy head), and I are also available to work in partnership with you.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs A Harrop

Headteacher

