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18 May 2018

Dear Parents,

YEAR 3 HOLY COMMUNION

The Year 3 children in Mrs Farrell's class will make their Holy Communion on Saturday. Please can the children meet at Westleigh at 9:30am and the Mass will start at 10am.

INTERNATIONAL MASS

Our next whole school Mass is our International Mass on Wednesday 23 May at 9:30am. Please join us on the junior playground for our theme; United in Diversity.

YEAR 5 PARENT MEETING

Mrs Beever, Headteacher at Loreto Grammar School, Mr Cornally, Headteacher at Blessed Thomas Holford Catholic College and Mr Groves, Assistant Headteacher from St Ambrose Catholic College will be here on **Wednesday 23 May at 6:30pm** to speak to our current year 5 parents about the forthcoming open days, entrance examinations and other information about the process of moving from year 6 to year 7 in 2019. This meeting is for parents only and will take place in the junior hall.

ROYAL WEDDING AFTERNOON TEA

Today we celebrated the forthcoming wedding of Prince Harry and Megan Markle. The children completed activities in the morning, learning all about the monarchy and writing prayers for the happy couple. It was also wonderful to welcome Father John to school to talk about the sacrament of marriage.

In the afternoon the whole school gathered to join in a big royal tea party on the field. We started off by singing the national anthem and then we were treated to a magnificent Trumpet Voluntary - Wedding March by pupils Oliver and Ben. It was great to see everyone together enjoying this special moment. Please see our twitter school newsroom for photographs.

HISTORY DAY

Following the success of our history day last year we have planned a history day for the children on Thursday 24 May. This is an excellent chance for children to learn about topics coming up in the curriculum and will hopefully make for a memorable day.

To help create an exciting learning environment we were hoping children could come into school dressed as a person from their year group's time period. Below is a list of suggestions for simple costumes to avoid buying them. We encourage creativity though!













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- **RECEPTION** Ancient Romans; Children can wear shorts and a t-shirt with a toga fashioned from an old sheet, pinned with a safety pin or brooch.
- **YEAR 1** Ancient Egyptians; Children can wear a large adult's t-shirt over some shorts which they can fasten with a belt over the top and wear sandals.
- **YEAR 2** Ancient Greece; Children can wear shorts and a t-shirt with a toga fashioned from an old sheet, pinned with a safety pin or broach.
- YEAR 3 The Normans; A tunic type top with a belt, leggings and sandals.
- YEAR 4 Victorian Altrincham; Dress as school children, boys can tuck their trousers in their long socks, a shirt with the sleeves rolled up, waistcoat if possible and flat cap, girls can wear a long dress, mop cap, apron and shawl.
- **YEAR 5** 2nd World War; Boys can wear shorts, shirt, tie, jumper and long socks. Girls can wear a tunic, shirt, tie, long socks, hair in plaits if long.
- **YEAR 6** Leisure and Entertainment in the 20th Century; The 1960's; Children can dress in 60's fashion; Boys in bright colours, flared trousers, t-shirt and sandals. Girls in short flowery dresses, hair tied with bow, long socks, hair bands and cardigans.

Pupils in key stage 2 will also enjoy a visit from an author, please see separate attachment for more information about this.

PTA CHARITY COFFEE MORNING

The PTA held a charity coffee morning in the junior hall in aid of the local charity 'Leisure for Autism'. (www.leisureforautism.org). It was lovely to see parents come along to enjoy a drink, cake and chat. Once again, thank you to the PTA for organising this event.

SUMMER FAIR

Please save the date and join us for a fun filled day at our PTA annual FAMILY FUN DAY 2018, **Saturday 16 June 12noon until 4pm**. Hog roast, BBQ, bar, inflatables and climbing wall plus much more to entertain the whole family.

If you are able to help in any way we would really appreciate it. Please contact Surinder Holt, Nicola Sheldon or email the PTA direct on stvincentspta@gmail.com. To help prepare, next Friday (25 May) will be an own clothes day in return for which children are asked to donate £1.

During the week commencing Tuesday 12 June, we are asking for tombola donations: bottles from junior children and sweets from infants and nursery.













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RECEPTION MILK FOR NEXT HALF-TERM

Children in Reception who do not reach the age of 5 before Thursday 26 July 2018 continue to be eligible for additional school milk as part of the Department of Health Nursery Milk Scheme. If your child is still eligible and you would like to order additional school milk for the next half-term, please confirm this via the school website by 12:00noon on Thursday 24 May 2018 by following these steps:

Log on to www.stvincents.trafford.sch.uk

Click 'PARENT LOGIN' (top left corner) and enter the username and password that was sent to you by School Spider.

Click 'Surveys & Forms', then the 'Reception Milk Scheme' form and confirm your wish for your child to have milk in the next half-term as s/he will not be 5 years of age before Thursday 26 July 2018.

SPORTS DAY

The school sports days are on the following dates in June:

- Junior Sports Day on Monday 18 June on the school field at the following times:
 - o Y5/6 sports day 9:30 11:30am
 - o Y3/4 sports day 1:30 3:15 pm
- Infant Sports Day on Tuesday 19 Jun on the school field at the following times:
 - Y1/2 sports day 9:30 11:30am
 - Reception sports day 1:45 2:45 pm

The PTA will be supplying refreshments, if anyone could help, even for 30 minutes please email stvincentspta@gmail.com.

ATTENDANCE FIGURES FOR PREVIOUS WEEK

| Attendance Percentages | |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Highest infant class attendance | Mr Nicholls' class 99.6% |
| Highest junior class attendance | Mrs Jennings' class 99.6% |
| Overall school attendance | 97.75% |

^{*}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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