

St Vincent's Catholic Primary School



Headteacher: Mrs A Harrop, MEd NPQH

7 September 2018

Dear Parents,

WELCOME BACK!

Welcome back to the new school year. I hope you had a lovely summer with your children. Welcome to all of our new reception children who started school on Thursday and to all of our new families who have joined the St Vincent's family.

All of the children have settled in very well and have made a great start to the school year.

Our new teachers Miss Jamieson, Miss Barton and Miss White will be covering maternity leaves. I'm delighted to share that Mrs Sutton, Mrs O' Keefe and Mrs Robinson have all had baby girls and they are all doing very well. Mrs Farrell has started her maternity leave too so we'll have some news to share in the coming weeks.

MASS

Our whole school outdoor Mass will be on Wednesday 19 September at 9:20am. This is a wonderful opportunity for the whole school to come together. Please do try to join us.

PARISH ACTIVITY

Sunday 9 September 2018 marks National Education Sunday. Education Sunday is a national day of prayer and celebration for everyone involved in the world of education. The Parish of Holy Angels would like to invite your child starting school this September and their family to join us for a celebration mass at 10:30 am where your child will be invited to come forward to receive a small token from the parish and a special blessing. Children are invited to wear their new school uniforms.

The Parish of St Vincent's would like to invite your family to join us for Welcome Mass where everyone is welcomed back to church after the summer break. The Mass will take place on Sunday 23 September at 10am.

Please see attached flyers for more information.

PARISH SURVEY

The Parish Pastoral Team at St Vincent's Church have created the following survey to help them find out how they can improve the Parish. They would be most grateful if you would all take 5 minutes out of your time to complete this short survey before 24 September to help guide the team in its future endeavours. Please find the survey by clicking on the link below.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSef0ZLUXzfnm2FjKxHlgrZEhsG0TylBhybz2YCWUkKI5U5-Lw/viewform?usp=sf_link



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CURRICULUM MEETINGS

As usual we will be holding our year group curriculum meetings. During the meeting the class teachers will talk through the curriculum content for the year and activities the children will undertake. Here are the dates and timings:

- Phonics workshop for reception, year 1 and year 2 Wednesday 19 September 5pm
- Reception curriculum meeting Wednesday 19 September 5:45pm
- Year 1 curriculum evening Wednesday 19 September 6:30pm
- Year 2 curriculum evening Wednesday 19 September 7:15pm
- Year 3 curriculum evening Thursday 20 September 5pm
- Year 4 curriculum evening Thursday 20 September 5:45pm
- Year 5 curriculum evening Thursday 20 September 6:30pm
- Year 6 curriculum evening Thursday 20 September 7:15pm

PREMISES DEVELOPMENT

You may have noticed some changes to our school environment. Over the summer the year 5 classrooms were completely refurbished, and the children are delighted with their new modern classrooms. We also had 3 KS1 classrooms repainted and re-boarded; they too look bright and modern. The infant playground has new activity trail markings and some benches have been replaced. The junior playground also has a lovely new storytelling area. They both provide extra playtime and lunchtime activities as well as for use in PE and outside lessons.

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,

A Harrop (Mrs)

Headteacher

