

ST VINCENT'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs A Harrop MEd NPQEL
Orchard Road
Altrincham
WA15 8EY

Email: admin@stvincents.trafford.sch.uk
Web: stvincents.trafford.sch.uk
Tel: 0161 911 8040
Twitter: @StVincentsPr



7 July 2023

HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

MINI VINNIES CARE FOR COMMUNITIES



Our Mini Vinnies were delighted to have an article featured in the Summer Edition of the Mini Vinnies Magazine. Please see a quote from the article:

"The Mini Vinnies at St Vincent's Primary, Altrincham never miss an opportunity to spread kindness in the community and our visit to Woodend Care Home was a wonderful way to support this magical place"

Please visit the link to read the article in full: http://www.stvincents.trafford.sch.uk/serve_file/19048583

LEARNING FROM SCRIPTURE



We use the Wednesday Word in school to share the Sunday gospel with families so that we can learn more about the gospel and scripture. Please click on this link for this week's edition that you could read with your child:

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/companion?pid=MTA101634&v=99.3>



ST VINCENT'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs A Harrop MEd NPQEL
Orchard Road
Altrincham
WA15 8EY

Email: admin@stvincents.trafford.sch.uk
Web: stvincents.trafford.sch.uk
Tel: 0161 911 8040
Twitter: @StVincentsPr



SPORTS DAY FUN



We had a wonderful sports day this week. It was lovely to see the children cheer each other on and be great sports. Well done to all of the children and thank you for your support during the events.

MOVING UP MORNING



This week we welcomed our new reception children to school for their settling in morning. The children settled really well in their new classrooms and we are looking forward to them joining our St Vincent family.

All pupils met their new teacher this week, and learnt about the exciting opportunities they will have in their new year groups.

The Year 6 children also had their transition days. Please see the web links below for information on how to support Year 6 children with transition.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/groups/c5vpkq11934t>

<https://www.place2be.org.uk/our-services/parents-and-carers/getting-ready-to-start-secondary-or-high-school/>



ST VINCENT'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs A Harrop MEd NPQEL
Orchard Road
Altrincham
WA15 8EY

Email: admin@stvincents.trafford.sch.uk
Web: stvincents.trafford.sch.uk
Tel: 0161 911 8040
Twitter: @StVincentsPr



SUPPORT FOR LOW INCOME HOUSEHOLDS

Finance Support

Households on a low income, living in a privately rented property or are an owner occupier with a mortgage will be eligible to apply online for help towards essential costs related to energy, food and water

You do not need to be in receipt of benefits to apply.

You can receive up to two awards per household. The applications will be processed on a first come first serve basis or until funding is exhausted.

How to apply

Eligible residents have the opportunity to access this element of fund by completing an online application form. If you are eligible, they will make a £100 payment per household directly into your bank account.

You must meet the following criteria:

- You live in the borough of Trafford and are liable for Council Tax at the address you are claiming a Household Support Fund payment from (if you don't live in Trafford borough, you must apply to your own local authority)
- You must be aged 16 years or more
- You must pay rent on the house you live in and occupy to either a private landlord (not including a housing association), or are responsible for paying a monthly mortgage.
- You are not in receipt of a benefit that qualifies you to receive the [cost of living](#) payments
- Your total net annual income, after rent/mortgage, fuel and water bills have been paid, is below the following thresholds:
 - Single household £14,753*
 - All other households £22,020*

The full scheme details and online application can be found on the [Household Support Fund](#) webpage.

YOUNG CARER SUPPORT



ST VINCENT'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs A Harrop MEd NPQEL
Orchard Road
Altrincham
WA15 8EY

Email: admin@stvincents.trafford.sch.uk
Web: stvincents.trafford.sch.uk
Tel: 0161 911 8040
Twitter: @StVincentsPr



A young carer is someone under the age of 18 who cares for a friend or family member who, due to illness, disability, a mental health problem or an addiction, cannot cope without their support. Research shows that in every classroom there are likely to be at least two pupils who are balancing their studies with caring responsibilities for a parent, sibling, or other family member who is living with a physical or mental illness, disability or addiction. We also know that over 1,500 children in the UK aged five to seven are caring for 50 hours a week or more.

What might a young carer do?

- Practical tasks, like cooking, housework and shopping.
- Physical care, such as helping someone out of bed.
- Emotional support, including talking to someone who is distressed.
- Personal care, such as helping someone dress.
- Managing the family budget and collecting prescriptions.
- Helping to give medicine.
- Helping someone communicate.
- Looking after brothers and sisters.

We would like to help and provide support for children and parents. We know of some families who have children providing help at home, but we would like to reach out to those we may not know about. We are asking parents to let us know about any young carers in the family so that we can contact you to talk through any help we, or Trafford carers can offer. If you think your child may be a young carer, please complete the survey here: [Young Carer Survey](#)

The Trafford Carers Centre website has lots of information about what is on offer for young carers.

<https://www.traffordcarerscentre.org.uk/our-support/young-carer-support/>

<https://www.traffordcarerscentre.org.uk/our-support/make-a-referral/>

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 or snacks 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.



ST VINCENT'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs A Harrop MEd NPQEL
Orchard Road
Altrincham
WA15 8EY

Email: admin@stvincents.trafford.sch.uk
Web: stvincents.trafford.sch.uk
Tel: 0161 911 8040
Twitter: @StVincentsPr



WALK TO SCHOOL AND PARK AND STRIDE



Please support us in keeping our community safe by walking to school or by parking at Tesco so that children can park and stride to school. Please note that we discourage cars from driving down Orchard Rd and Osborne Rd, in order to prevent congestion and most importantly keep our children and community safe. **#make a difference**

KEY DATES

DAY	DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
Saturday	8 July	PTA Summer Fair 12-3pm	School field
Tuesday	11 July	Y2 Performance 9:30am Y6 Performance 1:30pm	Department halls
Wednesday	12 July	Y2 Performance 9:30am Y6 Performance 6:30pm	Department halls
Thursday	13 July	Y6 Performance 6:30pm	Junior department hall
Friday	14 July	End of year reports sent to parents	-
Friday	14 July	Y6 Leavers' Disco 6-9pm	Junior hall
Wednesday	19 July	Y6 Leavers' Mass 6:30pm	St Vincent's Church
Thursday	20 July	Whole School End of Year Mass 9:30am	School Field
Friday	21 July	SCHOOL CLOSED FOR SUMMER	



ST VINCENT'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs A Harrop MEd NPQEL
Orchard Road
Altrincham
WA15 8EY

Email: admin@stvincents.trafford.sch.uk
Web: stvincents.trafford.sch.uk
Tel: 0161 911 8040
Twitter: @StVincentsPr



ATTENDANCE



ROUTINE APPOINTMENTS

We ask that all routine appointments for the dentist and opticians be taken outside of school time. Should a non-routine appointment be needed in school time, please produce the appointment confirmation to the admin team.

TERM TIME ABSENCE

Please note we do not authorise holidays in term time. We also do not permit children to leave school early to travel to a destination. We are obliged to record any absence of this kind as unauthorised.

Please see the link for our term dates so that holidays can be booked outside of term time, during our school holidays: [Term dates and the school day](#)



ST VINCENT'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs A Harrop MEd NPQEL
Orchard Road
Altrincham
WA15 8EY

Email: admin@stvincents.trafford.sch.uk
Web: stvincents.trafford.sch.uk
Tel: 0161 911 8040
Twitter: @StVincentsPr



SUPPORTING FAMILIES

We monitor the attendance of all children. Children who have patterns of non-attendance or attendance below 90% will be contacted by school to offer support to improve attendance rates.

Please see below the attendance percentages for last week.

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
RMH	97.65	2CG/EL	97.65	4JM	97.3
RLT	96	2AB	97.65	5JK	93.3
RLD	95.35	3ES	98.7	5LM	98.7
1LH	97.3	3DM	97.3	5CL	98.7
1AM	98.7	3CN/CR	98.7	6NS	95.65
1CR	97	4FJ	96.7	6DH	94.5
2LC	98	4HB	98.7	6DK	98
Overall percentage: 97.2%					

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

Yours sincerely,

Mrs A Harrop

Headteacher

