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28<sup>th</sup> February 2025

## HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

I hope you enjoyed half term with your family and were able to do lots of fun activities. As usual, we have lots of exciting learning activities happening this half term. Please see information below regarding the curriculum activities for this half term.

### WHAT YOUR CHILD WILL LEARN THIS TERM

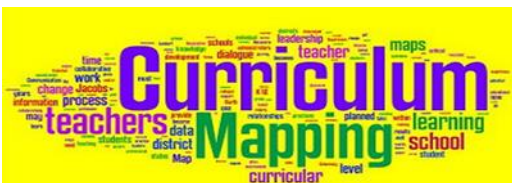
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This half term the children will be learning lots of new knowledge and skills. Please follow the year group page to find out the topics your children will be learning about. If you would like to know more about a subject, please follow this [curriculum link](#) to see how the curriculum allows children to know and remember more.

### YEAR GROUP CURRICULUM PLANNERS

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The curriculum planners for this half term for each year group are on our website. Please follow the link to find out how you can support your child with their learning.

- Reception [St Vincent's Catholic Primary School Trafford: Reception - EYFS](#)
- Year 1 [St Vincent's Catholic Primary School Trafford: Year 1](#)
- Year 2 [St Vincent's Catholic Primary School Trafford: Year 2](#)
- Year 3 [St Vincent's Catholic Primary School Trafford: Year 3](#)
- Year 4 [St Vincent's Catholic Primary School Trafford: Year 4](#)
- Year 5 [St Vincent's Catholic Primary School Trafford: Year 5](#)
- Year 6 [St Vincent's Catholic Primary School Trafford: Year 6](#)

## CURRICULUM KNOWLEDGE ORGANISERS

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To keep you updated on what your child is learning in school, teachers have posted knowledge organisers for foundation subjects on their Google Classroom Pages. These organisers are used regularly by the children in class. They contain the essential knowledge and key vocabulary for the topics they will be studying this half term.

## CAREERS WEEK

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This week, we celebrated 'Careers Week' with a careers fair and it was wonderful to have so many parents volunteer to talk about their profession.

We learned from surgeons and doctors about how they help people stay healthy, while the police officers told us how they work to keep our community safe. Engineers explained how they design and build things, and media



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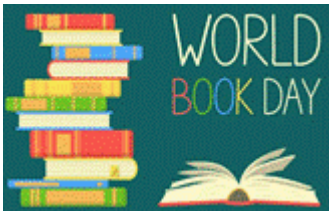
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professionals showed us how they create news and stories. Coders introduced us to the world of technology and computers, and teachers shared the joys of helping others learn. We also heard from experts in sales and marketing about how products and services reach people, and the week ended with workshops delivered by a fully trained opera singer! It was an inspiring week full of new ideas and possibilities for the children.

## WORLD BOOK DAY - THURSDAY 6 MARCH

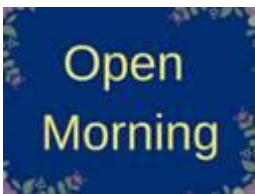
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The most exciting day in our reading calendar is fast-approaching and we have lots of activities planned for the children. As always, the children can come to school in fancy dress, dressed as a character from their favourite book. If possible, the children are encouraged to bring the book into school to share and talk about. Most costumes should be able to be made from items you already have at home. We encourage recycling and borrowing of costumes or props to keep the cost down.

## OPEN MORNING

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We will be having our Open Morning on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March. We will welcome prospective parents to have a tour and see the School and Nursery in action. Please inform friends and family you know and if they wish to attend, please go to the [admissions page](#) of the school website to book a tour. Please note that due to a national fall in birthrate, applications from all are welcome.



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Please see below the attendance percentages for **last week**.

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
RKH	98.6	2AB	94.3	4CG/SK	97.1
RLT	93.6	2OW/CR	90.3	5JK	95.2
RLD	96.4	3DM	97.6	5LM	94.7
1AM	98.7	3LH	97.3	5ML	90.35
1MH	97.6	3CN/JJ	97.1	6NS	98.7
1CR	96.7	4CL/HB	96.3	6DH	96.9
2ES	94.7	4LD	98	6MB	95.3
Overall percentage: 95.95 %					

## SPRING 2 DATES

DAY	DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
Wednesday	05 March	KS2 Ash Wednesday Mass 9:15am	Junior department
Wednesday	05 March	KS1 Ash Wednesday Liturgy 10:30am	Infant department



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Thursday	06 March	World Book Day	-
Thursday	06 March	KS2 Class Assembly 9:05am: led by Y3 Mrs Needham/Mrs Jennings' class	Junior department
Thursday	06 March	Y3 Sacramental Programme First Holy Communion Meeting: 6:30pm	Junior department
Friday	07 March	Y1 Disco 6-7:30pm Y3/4 Film night 6-8:00pm	
Friday	07 March	Parent's 'Stay and Pray: 9:05am Led by Y4	Junior department
Monday	7-16 March	British Science & Engineering Week – Change & Adapt	-
Tuesday	11 March	Times Tables Check Parents Meeting (Year 3 & 4) 5:15 - 5:45 pm	Junior department
Wednesday	12 March	Open Morning	Across school
Friday	14 March	Parents 'Stay and Share': 8:40am: Y1 - 6	Y1-6 Classrooms
Friday	14 March	Parent's 'Stay and Pray': 9:05am led by Y3  This has been rescheduled to the Summer Term	Junior department
Friday	14 March	CAFOD Family Fast Day	-
Friday	14 March	Y2 Disco 6-7:30pm Y5/6 Film night 6-8pm	Junior hall

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Tuesday	18 - 24 March	Neurodiversity Week	-
Wednesday	19 March	KS1 Lenten Mass: 9:15am	Infant department
Thursday	20 March	KS2 Lenten Mass: 9:15am	Junior department
Thursday	20 March	Parents' Evening 3:45 - 7pm	Both departments
Friday	21 March	Lent Love in Action Day (Class charity challenges- see google classroom for more information)	Both departments
Monday	24 March	Y1 Lenten Service dress rehearsal	-
Tuesday	25 March	Y1 Lenten Service: 9:15am	Infant department
Wednesday	26 March	Y1 Lenten performance: 9:15am	Infant department
Thursday	27 March	KS2 Class Assembly 9:05am: Led by Y4 Mrs Gerrard/Miss Kirk's class	Junior department
Friday	28 March	Own clothes day - Easter egg donations to the PTA.	Both departments
Tuesday	01 April	KS2 Lenten Service: 6:30pm	Holy Angels Church
Thursday	03 April	KS2 Class Assembly 9:05am: Led by Y4 Mrs Durkan's class	-
Friday	04 April	Easter Bonnet Parade	Both departments
Friday	04 April	Easter Eggtravaganza (within the school day)	Both departments
Friday	04 April	School closes for Easter	-
Easter Break			

Next week we enter the liturgical season of Lent. Please see all the masses, liturgies and fundraising that will take place at this special time: [Lenten planner 2025.pdf](#)



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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), Mrs Sutton (junior deputy), and I are also available to work in partnership with you.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs A Harrop

Headteacher

