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HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents

LENT

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LENT LOVE IN ACTION DAY

Dear Parents Today, we held our Lent Love in Action Day, a special event that provided the children with an opportunity to give back to the community while learning about the importance of charity and kindness.

Lent Love in Action Day is our charity-focused initiative where we asked the children to participate in fun and engaging challenges to raise money for worthy causes. Each child had the chance to contribute to a charity of their choice by completing a variety of activities designed to promote both teamwork and individual effort. Activities included a sponsored walk, a read-a-thon, and a creative flex day. These activities not only helped raise funds but also taught our children about the vital work that charities do to support those in need.

We encourage all parents to support their child's efforts, whether by helping with their challenges or contributing to their fundraising. Every bit of support makes a difference, and we are grateful for your involvement.

Thank you to everyone who made Lent Love in Action Day a memorable experience for our school community. Please see Google Classroom pages for more information on year group challenges.

BIG LENT WALK FOR ST ANN'S HOSPICE

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This Lent, we have been taking part in the Big Lent Walk. This year, with Mrs. Gee's blessing, we are fundraising for St Ann's Hospice in loving memory of Natasha Gee, honouring her and the incredible work that St Ann's Hospice does.



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The Big Lent Walk has involved our children walking 200km during Lent, using our daily mile track. Each child has been walking with their class every day throughout Lent to meet this collective target.

To celebrate their hard work, the children will have the opportunity to wear Easter hats that they have made at home for the final walk on April 4th.

If you are able to, please donate to our JustGiving page using the link below. We encourage you to share it with family and friends so that we can make a difference to this special charity. Your support is greatly appreciated. Thank you for helping us support the wonderful work of St Ann's Hospice.

https://www.justgiving.com/page/stvincentsbiglentwalk?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL

PARENTS' EVENING

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Thank you to all the parents who attended parents' evening. If you were unable to attend parents' evening, please contact your class teacher to rearrange a convenient time to discuss your child's progress.

BUILDING STRONG INTERGENERATIONAL CONNECTIONS: OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH INTERGEN

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We are always looking for new ways to enrich our children's experiences, and we are excited to share our ongoing partnership with Intergen, an incredible organisation that connects volunteers with an interest in education to schools.

Since we began working with Intergen in September, their volunteers have quickly become valued members of the St. Vincent team. The volunteers generously give their time to support our children in a variety of ways. Whether it's helping children with reading or assisting with tasks or classroom displays, their contributions have made a significant impact on our children.

The relationship with Intergen is truly reciprocal. While their volunteers bring a wealth of experience and a passion for education, they also form meaningful connections with our children. This partnership not only benefits our children academically but also strengthens intergenerational bonds within our community, offering unique opportunities for learning and growth for all involved.



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We are keen to further develop our intergenerational links and look forward to continuing this valuable partnership with Intergen. We believe that these relationships provide our children with role models, inspire a sense of community, and offer the opportunity to learn from the experiences of others. We look forward to seeing the positive impact of this partnership grow throughout the year.

PTA

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Thank you to the PTA for arranging the Y1 and 2 discos and Years 3-6 film nights. The children had a wonderful time. These events not only brought our children together but also created a fun and memorable experience for everyone involved. The hard work of our PTA in organising these events is very much appreciated.

ATTENDANCE

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

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
RKH	96.79	2AB	99.67	4LD	94.67
RLT	98.57	2OW/CR	98.33	5JK	94.52
RLD	94.64	3DM	100	5LM	97.60
1AM	100.00	3LH	97.67	5ML	97.30
1MH	98.67	3CN/JJ	98.39	6NS	98.33
1CR	92.00	4HB/CL	98.00	6DH	97.90
2ES	92.00	4SK/CG	96.77	6HC/EL	96.00
Overall percentage: 97%					

SPRING 2 DATES

DAY	DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
Monday	24 March	Y1 Easter Liturgy dress rehearsal	-
Tuesday	25 March	Y1 Easter Liturgy: 9:15am	Infant department



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Wednesday	26 March	Y1 Easter Liturgy: 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
Monday	31 March	Whole School Photograph	
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 R-Y6	Both departments
Friday	04 April	Easter Eggtravaganza within the school day	Both departments
Friday	04 April	School closes for Easter	-
EASTER BREAK			

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

