# St Vincent's Catholic Primary School



# Newsletter 22 September 2023

#### Dear parents and families

I would like to extend my appreciation to all the parents who took the time out of their busy schedules to attend and engage in our recent 'Meet the Teacher' event.

Seeing so many familiar faces and welcoming new ones during this event was a true delight. It provided us with a valuable opportunity to strengthen the partnership between home and school, which is essential for the academic success and well-being of our students.

I would like to inform you about two further meetings we have planned for this term:

#### Thursday, 2nd November: Open Book Session

Parents will have the opportunity to come and look at children's work in their books. This session will be held from 3:30 to 4:30, and you are welcome to come with your children to share in their accomplishments. Parents do not need to book this session, just turn up.

#### Week beginning 6th November: Parent-Teacher Meetings

These are 10-minute appointments, during which your teacher will give you an update on your child's personal learning journey. The school has an online booking system, which allows you to choose your own appointment times with teachers and you will then receive a confirmation email. All meetings, whether conducted face-to-face or online, will have a fixed duration of 10 minutes. This standard duration is essential to ensure fairness and equity for all parents and carers.

We have scheduled face-to-face appointments for each class on **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November**. Additionally, we are providing online meetings **throughout the week**, with dates and timings varying for each class.

We would also like to emphasise that our teachers operate under an open-door policy. They are always ready and willing to meet with parents throughout the year whenever the need arises. Should you require a more in-depth discussion or have additional questions beyond the 10-minute meetings, please do not hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher to schedule a separate meeting.

Appointments can be made by following the link below from 11th October at 12pm and will close on Friday 3rd November at 12pm.

Please visit <a href="https://www.stvincentslondon.schoolcloud.co.uk">https://www.stvincentslondon.schoolcloud.co.uk</a> to book your times. You will find below, a short video to support you with the bookings:

https://support.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/article/801-video-parents-how-to-attend-appointments-over-video-call

As soon as bookings go live, sessions can be booked on a first come, first served basis. Please login as a trial before the day to ensure you are able to access SchoolCloud before booking goes live.

You will need to log in using yours and your child's details. Please ensure they are the same details we have on file, so the system can recognise them, for example ensure that you are using the same email address that you have given to the school. \*\*Note password is case sensitive\*\*

If you are having trouble with your logins or if you do not have access to the internet, please contact the school office.

Please mark these dates on your calendars, and we look forward to your participation. Your engagement in your child's education is invaluable, and we are excited to work together to support their success.

As we embark on this new school year, I encourage you to maintain open lines of communication with our teachers and staff. Together, we can work as a team to ensure your child's educational journey is a successful and fulfilling one. If you ever have questions, concerns, or ideas to share, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Gonzalez

### Stars of the Week

Reception – Teddie for always trying his best with every task.

Year 1 – Zeki for approaching tasks with a positive attitude.

Year 2 – Lydia for working hard to produce great work.

Year 3 – Joshua for making an effort in every task.

Year 4 – Amarisa for excellent reasoning skills.

Year 5 – Daniel for an excellent diary entry showing emotion.

Year 6 – Miracle for making great improvement in handwriting.

### **School Value Awards**

Reception – Daniel for showing curiosity and trying new challenges.

Year 1 – Bonnie for being kind and showing compassion to friends.

Year 2 – Nicholas for showing love by being kind and respectful.

Year 3 – Gerry for showing resilience in every task.

Year 4 – Henry for a caring and helpful attitude.

Year 5 – Jacob for showing compassion to others in the role of Guardian Angel.

Year 6 – Joshua for showing great resilience.

## **Dates for your Diary**

Monday 25 September	Year 5 Library visit (leaving at 13:40)
Wednesday 27 September	Years 2-6 to St Vincent's Day Mass (leaving at 09:00)
Wednesday 4 October	Year 5 Liturgy Assembly 09:00 parents welcome
Wednesday 4 October	Year 4 Library visit (leaving at 13:40)
Friday 6 October	Cake Sale after school
Wednesday 11 October	Years 3 & 5 to Mass (leaving at 09:00)
Monday 16 – Friday 27 October	School closed for half term break
Monday 30 October	First day of second half of term
Tuesday 31 October	School Photographs
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	Face to face Parent-Teacher meetings
Tuesday 28 November	Nasal flu vaccination
Wednesday 20 December	Last day of Autumn term



## **School Photographs**

Individual professional school photographs will be taken of every pupil on Tuesday 31st October. In addition, photographs of sibling groups will also be taken. These groups will only include current pupils, not pre-school siblings or ex-pupils.

#### This Week's Attendance

18-22 September 2023		
Reception	97.2%	
Year 1	95.2%	
Year 2	98.7%	
Year 3	97.4%	
Year 4	100%	
Year 5	98.6%	
Year 6	86.3%	
Whole school	95.9%	



#### Cake Sale

There will be a Cake Sale in the playground after school on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October. Please see separate attachment with this newsletter.

# September 2023 Prayer

Pope Francis' prayer request for this September is for people living on the margins: We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance. The month of September is dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows. The full month falls within Ordinary Time and is represented by the colour green.