

St Vincent's Catholic Primary School



Information Sheet 11 9th January 2020

Happy New Year

Welcome back, I hope you all had a lovely Christmas break. We look forward to another busy and productive term.

Wednesday Word

The Wednesday word this week is **NEW START**. This is reflected in the gospel at the weekend. Pope Francis says, 'The newness which God brings into our life is something that gives true joy.'

Liturgy Assemblies

The next liturgy assembly is on 15th January at 9.05am. This assembly will not be run by any particular class, but all parents and family are warmly invited to share these assemblies with us.

Admission Reception deadline

The closing date for applications for children born between 1st September 2015 and 31st August 2016 to be admitted to the Reception class in September 2020 is the **15th January 2020**. Please ensure you have completed and submitted your application to your local authority and also completed and submitted the Supplementary Information Form to the school office.

Parent Teacher Meetings

Meetings will take place **in the school hall** during the week commencing 20th January. Most appointments will be after school on Monday 20th and Wednesday 22nd, although some teachers will offer a few appointments before school or on other days that week. Appointments are offered on a first come, first served basis and lists will be available in the school foyer from Monday 13th January. Please choose your appointment by coming into the foyer or by phoning the school office after 9.30am any day from Monday 13th.

Winter Uniform

All children should now be in winter uniform. Some children are still wearing incorrect uniform. Girls need ties if their blouses button to the neck. Please note polo shirts should not be worn. Please ensure that your children wear the correct uniform. Ties are available to purchase from the school office.

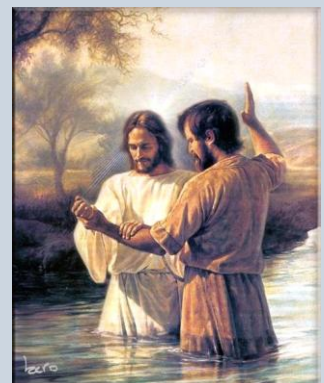
School Dinners

The cost of school dinners this term is **£72** for the half term and **£144** for the full term. Individual meals are still **£2.40** per day. It would be a great help if you could pay in advance, either for the half or full term and directly into the bank.

Fun, Faith and Friendship

The Gospel this weekend is 'The Baptism of the Lord'.

Jesus came from Galilee to the bank of the river Jordan to be baptised by John the Baptist. John was surprised by this and said to him, 'Surely this is wrong and it should be you baptising me.' Jesus answered, 'We will do things this way for it is right to follow my Father's plan.' Reluctantly John agreed, and Jesus was baptised in the river. As he stood up in the water, the clouds parted and the Holy Spirit appeared as a dove and settled on Jesus. Then a voice from Heaven said, 'This is my Son, whom I love very much.'



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Dates for your Diary

First Aid Workshops Reception – Year 6	14 th – 15 th January
Year 4 Swimming	13 th January
Year 4 Swimming	20 th January
Parent teacher meetings	20 th January
Parent teacher meetings	22 nd January
Year 4 library visit	22 nd January
Year 4 Mass (OLHC)	23 rd January
Year 4 Swimming	27 th January
Year 3 library visit	29 th January
Year 4 Swimming	3 rd February
PTA meeting	5 th February
Year 4 Swimming	10 th February
Safer Internet Day	11 th January

Unauthorised Absences

The number of unauthorised absences since 4th September 2019 is now **142**. We are looking to reduce the number of unauthorised absences. These absences impact on children's learning. Your help with this would be much appreciated. At the end of each month, attendance reports will be sent home to parents whose children have less than 90% attendance. **Please ensure your child attends school unless ill. Many thanks.**

'e-safety' tips for parents – check out **Common Sense Media**. To learn more about the games or apps your children are or may be using, Common Sense media covers thousands, which includes advice and reviews from other parents;
<https://www.commonsensemedia.org/>

Attendance

From 4 th Sept 2019	Attendance	Unauthorised sessions
Reception	94.7%	12
Year 1	95.5%	25
Year 2	98.2%	7
Year 3	96.5%	7
Year 4	97.3%	29
Year 5	95.4%	46
Year 6	94.6%	16
Whole school	96.1%	142

Our target for attendance this academic year is **96.5%**

Currently our attendance rate is **96.3%**

Attendance for the last academic year was **96.2%**

★ Well done Year 2 ★

– best attendance for the last week of last term
with **97.7%**