St Vincent's Catholic Primary School



Information Sheet 12 14th January 2020

Wednesday Word

The Wednesday word this week is **WITNESS**. This is reflected in the gospel at the weekend. Pope Francis says, 'Let us ask our Lord to help us bear shining witness to his love in every area of our lives.'

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 with us. The next <u>class</u> liturgy assembly will be led by Year 4 on 29th January at 9.05am. Again everyone is welcome to join 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 after school on Monday 20th and Wednesday 22nd January. If you haven't yet booked an appointment, please either come into the foyer or phone the school office after 9.30am any day. All meetings (except Mr Moore's morning appointments) will take place **in the school hall**. Your children's workbooks will be available for you to look at before or after your appointment. Workbooks of children in Reception, Years 1, 2, 4 and 6 will be outside the classrooms. Parents of children in Years 3 and 5 will be notified as to where the workbooks will be. Your children may come with you to your appointment, but you must keep them with you and supervise them at all times.

Playground Security

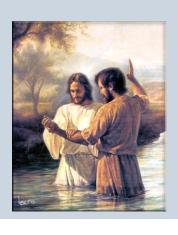
The pedestrian gate into the playground should only be opened from the school office, once the identity of the visitor has been established. For security reasons, if you have been let into the playground, please do not open the gate for others. Thank you.

Mrs Roche's Absence

Mrs Roche is currently not in school and is expected to return on 27th January. If you would like to discuss anything with another member of staff instead, please contact the school office. Thank you.

Fun, Faith and Friendship

Seeing Jesus coming towards him, John said, "Look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. This is the one I spoke of when I said, 'A man is coming after me who ranks before me because he existed before me.' I did not know him myself, and vet it was to reveal him to Israel that I came baptising with water." John also declared, "I saw the Spirit coming down on him from heaven like a dove and resting on him. I did not know him myself, but he who sent me to baptise with water had said to me. 'The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the one who is going to baptise with the Holy Spirit.' Yes, I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One of God."



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Dates for your Diary

First Aid Workshops – all classes	14 ^{th -} 15 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 (TBC)	
Year 4 Mass (OLHC)	30 th 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 February	

Unauthorised Absences

The number of unauthorised absences since 4th September 2019 is now **194.** 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.**

<u>'e-safety' tips for parents</u> – 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	94.6%	28
Year 1	95.5%	26
Year 2	97.8%	19
Year 3	96.6%	9
Year 4	97.4%	31
Year 5	95.2%	64
Year 6	94.9%	17
Whole school	96.0%	194

Our target for attendance this academic year is 96.5%

Currently our attendance rate is 96%

Attendance for the last academic year was 96.2%

숚 Well done Year 6 ႙

– best attendance for last week with 99%