

St Vincent's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter
10 October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

October is traditionally the month of the Holy Rosary. As a Catholic school, we take this time to pause, pray and remember that Mary leads us closer to Jesus. Each Tuesday at 8:45am in the hall, we pray the Rosary in school and we warmly invite parents to join us if they wish. These prayer times are led by our Year 6 Spiritual Leaders, who guide a decade with reverence and confidence. Families might like to pray a decade at home too; a small, simple practice that helps us to make space for God in busy days.

Throughout October we will keep returning to the Joyful, Luminous, Sorrowful and Glorious Mysteries as part of our worship and RE learning.

October is also Black History Month in the UK. In school we are celebrating the achievements and contributions of Black Britons and communities around the world. We feel it is important for children to celebrate and keep the message alive, and we aim to embed Black history into our curriculum as a natural thread—from literature and music to science, art and local history—so that all children see themselves reflected and respected.

Across the school, children are exploring inspiring stories, discussing role models, and reflecting on how we can be upstanders who challenge injustice with courage and kindness. As ever, our approach links learning with our Gospel values and the common good.

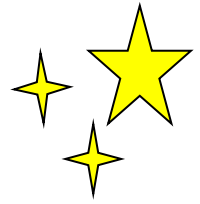
How families can join in

- Join us for Rosary on Tuesdays at 8:45am in the hall
- Pray a decade of the Rosary together one evening this week.
- Talk about Black History Month at home: Who inspires you? How can we keep the message alive all year round?
- Visit your local library or museum to find books and displays that celebrate Black history and culture.
- Ask your child which Mystery of the Rosary they prayed this week and what it helped them to think about.

Thank you for supporting prayer and learning at home. Together, we help our children to grow in wisdom, dignity and joy.

Have a lovely weekend.
Mrs Gonzalez

Stars of the Week



Reception – Rayden for gaining confidence when talking.
Year 1 – Ethan AP for being a dependable and trustworthy student.
Year 2 – Uchenna for working hard to produce fantastic work.
Year 3 – Amanda for being an excellent role model through hard work and dedication.
Year 4 – Maria for enthusiasm and eagerness to participate and for doing well in maths.
Year 5 – Adriana for making valuable contributions in lessons.
Year 6 – Elena for a positive attitude to improving her work.

School Value Awards

Reception – Samirah for always being kind and helpful with the adults in class.
Year 1 – Adebola for maturely forgiving others and moving on with a positive attitude.
Year 2 – Luna for kindness and compassion and for sharing lovely ideas.
Year 3 – Noah for a deep interest in learning, exploring new ideas with enthusiasm.
Year 4 – Yeani for continuous effort to improve her learning.
Year 5 – Juliet for incredible resilience during classwork.
Year 6 – Joshua for working hard to improve his maths.

Bronze Awards

Bronze Awards are for earning 25 dojos! Well done!

Reception – Lily, Zlata, Helena.
Year 1 – Adebola, Ethan A, Honora, Radheeka, Tiaraoluwa.
Year 2 – Dheeraka, Ian, Teddie.
Year 3 – Elia, Sophia AR, Manuela.
Year 4 – Eniola, Victoria, Mayah, Nicholas, Antonio.
Year 5 – Jesse, Gerry, Gabriel, Leo, Lukas, Toby, Annie, Tony, Leo.
Year 6 – Valentina.

Silver Awards

Silver Awards are for earning 50 dojos! Well done!

Year 1 – Ethan AP.

Dates for your Diary

Parents and families are warmly invited to join us in celebrating Mass.
If you would like to accompany the school as we walk to Mass, please inform your child's teacher so they can coordinate the arrangements.
Additionally, the Celebration of the Word will take place in the school hall, and parents of the respective year group are welcome to attend.

Wednesday 15 October	Year 4 trip to Royal Academy of Arts
Friday 17 October	Break the Rules Day
Friday 17 October	Last day of first half of Autumn Term
Monday 20 – Friday 31 October	Half term break
Monday 3 November	First day of second half of Autumn Term
Wednesday 5 November	Individual photographs
Tuesday 18 November	Flu vaccinations
Wednesday 19 November	Year 3 trip to Buddhist Centre
Friday 19 December	Year 5 trip to National Portrait Gallery
Friday 19 December	Last day of second half of Autumn Term

Term and holiday dates up to July 2026 are shown on the school website

This Week's Attendance

6 - 10 October 2025	
Reception	93.5%
Year 1	98.8%
Year 2	99.6%
Year 3	98.0%
Year 4	99.3%
Year 5	96.8%
Year 6	93.9%
Whole school	97.1%



Food donations

A gentle reminder about our Food Bank collection. Suggested items: tins (soup/beans/veg), pasta/rice/cereal, long-life milk/juice, tea/coffee/sugar, and toiletries. Please drop at the school's foyer. No fresh or chilled items. Thank you for your generosity.