

St Vincent's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter
11 November 2022

Dear parents and families,

Our preparations for the Christmas Fair are well under way. There is a clear buzz and excitement in school (I know there are still six weeks left!).

I just thought I would update you on when and how you could support us to make it very special.

We have a few dates coming up when we will be asking for donations. Please remember this is never an expectation; we appreciate that sometimes it is not possible. Also, if you feel there are any other Christmassy items you wish to donate, we will be very grateful.

Donations:

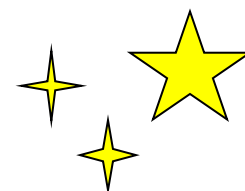
- Donations of bottles, Monday 21 November
- Donations of soft toys, Monday 28 November

We are also looking for volunteers to:

- Decorate the hall for our Christmas dinner
- Decorate the Grotto
- ½ hour at the food stall
- ½ hour at the raffle stall
- ½ hour helping with drinks
- ½ hour helping with the Grotto

If you would like to help at all, whether this is with all the preparations in advance or running the Fair on the day, please let me know. You need not volunteer for a long time; we will find the best task for you, whether you can give 20 minutes or three hours, we will find the best task for you. As someone said before..."Every little helps".

Have a lovely weekend
Mrs González



Stars of the Week

- Reception – James for making excellent progress in phonics, with reading and writing sounds.
- Year 1 – Luisa for super sentences describing Zog the Dragon.
- Year 2 – Ola for always doing her best and producing great work.
- Year 3 – Jonathan for showing curiosity and hard work in every single task.
- Year 4 – Alice for excellent work in maths with multiplication and division.
- Year 5 – Polly for showing great resilience.
- Year 6 – Kayla for working hard to improve her maths.

Dates for your Diary - Please note the changes and new dates in red

Year 4 visit to library	Wednesday 16 November <i>(leaving at 1.40pm)</i>
Non-Uniform Day (£1 donation please)	Friday 18 November
Donations of bottles	Monday 21 November
Year 4 Mass	Wednesday 23 November <i>(leaving at 9.00am)</i>
Year 3 liturgy assembly	Wednesday 23 November at 9.00am
Donations of soft toys	Monday 28 November
Year 5 Mass	Wednesday 30 November <i>(leaving at 9.00am)</i>
Christmas Lunch	Tuesday 6 December
Christmas Jumper Day	Friday 9 December
Nativity (Years 1 and 2)	Tuesday 13 December at 2.00pm
Years 3 and 6 Mass	Wednesday 14th December at 9.00am
Year 4 liturgy assembly	Wednesday 14 December at 9.00am
Christmas Fair	Wednesday 14 December
Reception Nativity	Friday 16 December at 10.00 am
Carol Concert (Years 3 – 6)	Friday 19 December at 2.00pm
Last day of term	Wednesday 21 December

Last Week's Attendance

10-14 October 2022	
Reception	91.7%
Year 1	97.9%
Year 2	94.3%
Year 3	98.1%
Year 4	94.7%
Year 5	90.3%
Year 6	94.8%
Whole school	94.4%



School Council Elections

Well done to our new School Council representatives, who were democratically elected by their peers.

Year 2 - Abigail and Alex

Year 3 - Daniel and Elena

Year 4 - Charlotte and Frans

Year 5 - Michael and Leyla

Year 6 - Amelia-Rose and Melissa



Christmas Fair Donations and Non-Uniform Day!

Thank you very much for so many wonderful Jolly Jam Jar donations, which will certainly spread lots of Christmas cheer at our fair in December.

As a special thank you for those donations and for the donations that we will be asking for in the next couple of weeks, we will be having a non-uniform day on Friday 18 November.

We will be collecting donations of bottles of drink under our outside canopy in the playground on Monday 21 November. Both alcoholic and soft drinks are most welcome.

We will also be collecting soft toys that are in good condition on Monday 28 November. We hope you have time to see if you are able to help with any donations and thank you in advance for your support!

Remembrance Day

In partnership with the Royal British Legion, we have marked Remembrance Day with a Live Remembrance Assembly. We joined over 200,000 children from over 1,000 schools across the country in this unique opportunity to join in an act of remembrance together.



Baby Announcements

Congratulations to Chloe (Reception) and her family on the birth of baby Liam. Welcome to St Vincent's family.

We would also like to welcome baby James Hall who is now two weeks old. Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Hall.



Gospel Reflection

Luke 21:5-19

Today Jesus warns us that life will be difficult. The world will face wars and disasters, but we must not lose hope. We must trust in God who will guide us and save us.

Jesus was with his disciples in the temple. He told them that the temple would one day be destroyed and that there would be wars, earthquakes, and people hungry for food.

Jesus told the disciples not to be afraid. He promised that he would be with them always and that they would not be harmed if they put their trust in him.

Jesus is with us always, even in the hardest times. Often Jesus comes to us in the people who help us.

Prayer:

Jesus, help us to put our faith and trust in you at all times. May we not be afraid but instead believe that you will always keep us safe.

Amen.