

St Vincent's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter
13 March 2026

Dear parents and carers,

This third week of Lent brings with it a quiet sense of reflection and renewal. With the arrival of spring, the days are gradually becoming brighter, blossom is beginning to appear on the trees and there is a real sense of new life in the air. It is a wonderful time to encourage the children to notice the world around them and to think about how they too can grow during this season—growing in kindness, patience and thoughtfulness towards others.

Alongside this time of reflection, we have also been celebrating Science Week, which has brought a great deal of curiosity and excitement across the school. Throughout the week, the children took part in a number of exciting experiments in their classrooms, exploring scientific ideas in a practical and engaging way.

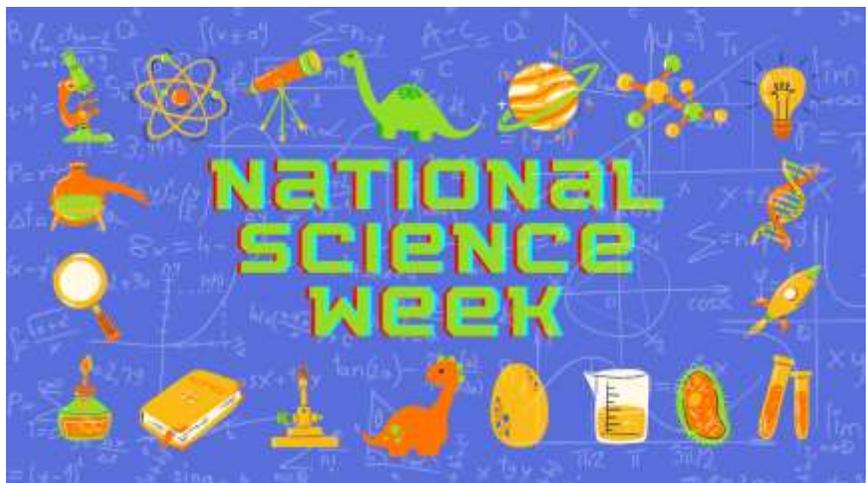
We finished the week with a wonderful science assembly, where some of our parents joined us to demonstrate a couple of fantastic experiments. The children were fascinated by the "Soapy Serpent" and the ever-popular "Elephant Toothpaste". It was a joy to see both children and adults equally captivated by the science on display.

I must admit, I know exactly what I will be trialling at home this weekend!

A very sincere thank you to Maria's Mum and Danny's Dad for giving their time and sharing such exciting science experiments with the children.

As we continue our Lenten journey together, may we be inspired by the small acts of kindness, curiosity and perseverance that help our children grow into the people God calls them to become.

Have a lovely weekend.
Mrs Gonzalez
Headteacher





Stars of the Week

Reception – Gabriella for a positive attitude towards learning and always putting in her best effort.

Year 1 – Mike for fantastic behaviour and listening on the school trip.

Year 2 – Alanis for creating lovely artwork and illustrations.

Year 3 – Amelie for a positive attitude towards learning and always putting in her best effort.

Year 4 – Epiphany for actively listening and following instructions.

Year 5 – Emme for being a helpful member of the class.

Year 6 – Veronica for producing a high standard of maths work.

School Value Awards

Reception – Mikyla for kindness and respect towards all classmates, making the class welcoming.

Year 1 – Seth for being a friend to those who are feeling down, showing understanding and care.

Year 2 – Eva for producing fantastic pieces of creative writing and sharing great ideas.

Year 3 – Elia for continuous effort to improve and reach new heights in her learning.

Year 4 – Amirah for always being ready to help others.

Year 5 – Toby for showing resilience in P.E.

Year 6 – Dami for continuing to improve her work.

Bronze Awards

Bronze Awards are for earning 25 dojos! Well done!

Year 1 – Esther.

Gold Awards

Gold Awards are for earning 100 dojos! Well done!

Year 1 – Aliane.

Year 2 – Gabriella, Annabella.

Year 3 – Elia, Jackson, Manuela, Megan, Mia, Paula, Sophia L, Sophia AR, Noah.

Year 4 – Amirah.

This Week's Attendance

9-13 March 2026	
Reception	95.4%
Year 1	94.4%
Year 2	98.1%
Year 3	97.6%
Year 4	97.6%
Year 5	91.9%
Year 6	94.7%
Whole school	95.6%



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.

Friday 27 March	Last day of Spring Term
Tuesday 14 April	First day of Summer Term
Wednesday 15 April	Book Sale (TBC)
Monday 4 May	Bank Holiday – school closed
Wednesday 20 May	Class photos
Monday 25 May - Monday 1 June	Half Term Holiday
Tuesday 2 June	School reopens for second half of Summer Term
Wednesday 22 July	Last day of Summer Term

Term and holiday dates up to July 2027 are shown on the school website

Book Sale

Due to unforeseen circumstances, it is with regret that we will not be able to hold our Book Fair as planned in March. We hope that it may still take place later in the school year.

However, to keep up the momentum with the year of reading, we will be holding a school book sale (currently planned for **Wednesday 15 April**). We are asking for donations of any new or pre-loved children's books that are in good condition to be delivered to the foyer by the school office, where there will be a container ready for any kind donations. Donations can be made at the start or end of the school day, Monday-Friday, beginning with immediate effect until Monday 23rd March. All money raised will go towards purchasing some wonderful books for the children to enjoy in school. We hope that the sale will provide another opportunity for children to obtain books that will help develop their love of reading.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Oliver in Year 5 for passing Grade 2 Drums Exam with merit.

Uniform

We have at last had a delivery of 28" cardigans, so all sizes of cardigans and jumpers are now in stock.