St Vincent's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter
13th November 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are now well into the second half of the Autumn Term and there is plenty to keep us busy as we continue our learning and begin preparing for our Christmas celebrations.

This week also gave us an important opportunity to pause and reflect together.

On Wednesday, the whole school observed a two-minute silence to remember those who have lost their lives in war and conflict. I was particularly proud of the respect shown by all our children, including our youngest in Reception, who marked the occasion beautifully.

Even at this young age, children can begin to understand the importance of remembering others and honouring their sacrifices. It was a valuable opportunity to reflect on peace, gratitude and the care we show one another.

Thank you to everyone who supported today's non-uniform day by donating soft toys for our Christmas Fair.

We also enjoyed a lovely cake sale after school, with a delicious selection of homemade and shop-bought treats. Thank you to everyone who donated cakes, helped with the sale or came along to enjoy something sweet. These events bring our community together, and we are grateful for your generosity and support.

Next Friday 20th, we will be holding another non-uniform day. On this occasion, we kindly ask children to bring in a small gift suitable for a man or a woman for our Christmas gift stall.

The gifts will be wrapped and displayed on the stall, where children will have the opportunity to choose a present for someone special. If you have any spare blue or red wrapping paper, we would be grateful for donations of this too.

Christmas Movie Nights – your suggestions

We are planning two movie nights before Christmas: one for our younger children and one for our older children.

We would love to hear your film suggestions! Please have a chat with your children and send us your preferred choice, making clear whether it is for our younger or older children. We will consider the suggestions before confirming the films and sharing dates and further details.

A reminder that our Christmas Fair will take place on 8 December. Please keep the date free—we look forward to celebrating together. If you can spare some time to help, please let the school office know.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Gonzalez
Headteacher

Stars of the Week

Reception – Hazel for your excellent behavior and respect for classroom rules and routines.
Year 1 – Ofure for showing kindness that makes others smile and for producing lovely creative work.
Year 2 – George for fantastic listening and working hard.
Year 3 – Muhammad for improved effort and determination.
Year 4 – Ethan for your hard work, positive attitude and fantastic improvement in behavior.
Year 5 – Nathanial for consistently working hard and showing a fantastic attitude to learning.
Year 6 – Darcie for working hard to improve their work.

School Value Awards

Reception – Dixie-Rae for showing a deep interest in learning, exploring new ideas with enthusiasm.
Year 1 – Kian for being enthusiastic and for being curious and eager to learn new things.
Year 2 – Mike for showing resilience and never giving up.
Year 3 – Heeya for showing compassion to others and being a good friend.
Year 4 – Jackson for demonstrating aspiration and learning through your enthusiasm and determination to doing your best.
Year 5 – Luisa for excellent work in Maths and good behavior for learning.
Year 6 – Oliver for showing kindness and compassion to his classmates.

Bronze Dojo Awards – 50 Dojo Points

Reception – Kiara, Hazel.

Year 2 – Isiuwa, Taliana, Axel, Andrew.

Year 3 – Luna, Alvin.

Year 4 – Sophia L, Oyin, Olive, Noah, Jackson, Ethan, Chloe, Bonnie, Amanda.

Year 5 - Ava, Cole, Kaiden, Kayla & Nahia.

This Week's Attendance

from 9th to 13th November 2026	
Reception	95.37
Year 1	98.41
Year 2	96.00
Year 3	99.11
Year 4	98.85
Year 5	97.57
Year 6	97.49
Whole school	97.59

Well done Year 3 – best attendance for this week with 99.11%

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.

Monday 16th November	Odd Socks Day
Wednesday 18th November	Yr 5 to attend mass at OLHC (leaving school at 9am)
Wednesday 18th November	Yr 2 Celebration of the Word in school 9am
Wednesday 18th November	School Photos
Friday 20th November	Non uniform- Donations of gift (male/female)
Wednesday 25th November	Yr 3 to attend mass at OLHC (leaving school at 9am)
Wednesday 25th November	Yr 5 Celebration of the Word in school 9am
Friday 27th November	Non uniform- Donations of raffle prizes
Wednesday 2nd December	Yr 4 to attend mass at OLHC (leaving school at 9am)
Wednesday 2nd December	Yr 3 Celebration of the Word in school 9am
Tuesday 8 December	Christmas Fair

Odd Socks Day – Monday 16th November

To mark the start of Anti-Bullying Week, we will be celebrating Odd Socks Day on Monday 16th November!

Odd Socks Day is a fun way to celebrate what makes us all unique! It encourages children to express themselves, embrace their individuality and recognise that we are all different in our own special ways. It's a great opportunity to celebrate our differences and remind everyone that being unique is something to be proud of.

Children are invited to wear their brightest, boldest and most mismatched odd socks for the day! Please remember that children should wear their usual school uniform, with the only exception being their odd socks.

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

If you have any comics and card games (e.g. UNO) that you would be happy to donate to the school, they will be gratefully received.

Bicycles and Scooters

Children are very welcome to bring bicycles and scooters to school. However, please remember that bicycles and scooters should not be ridden in the school playground at any time.

The playground can become particularly busy at the beginning and end of the school day, with lots of children and families moving around. To keep everyone safe and avoid accidents, bicycles and scooters should always be walked through the playground.

Thank you for helping us to keep our playground safe for everyone.

Safeguarding

If you need to discuss an **immediate** safeguarding concern, you can contact us through the following contact methods:

Call the school number 0208 857 5134 and ask for the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)

Email: general.post@st-vincents.bromley.sch.uk F.A.O. DSL

The Designated Safeguarding Leads in school are:

Mrs Gonzalez and Mrs Hall