

St Vincent's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter
13th May 2022

Dear parents and families,

This week I have been very impressed with the hard work and determination of all children who completed their SATs.

We know this could be a very stressful time for teachers and children alike. Both have high expectations of the outcome of the test and I know that they could potentially feel the pressure to do well to make their families and colleagues feel proud of them.

I do not need to see the results of the SATs, nor do I need to know the percentages of children's attainment, to know how hard Year 6 and Year 2 have worked through the year. However, after seeing them giving their all to those assessments, I sense that we can all be very happy for them.

Year 6 have now finished their hardest week of the year and they can begin to prepare and plan for the end of their school year and look forward to their secondary education. Well done Year 6, you are a great example for others. This week you've shown self-belief, resilience, time management, self-leadership and hunger for success. Those are valuable skills that SATs don't test!

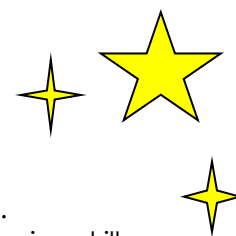
This morning I met with the PTA to talk about their plans for the Summer Fair. We have been deprived of this occasion for a couple of years and we are intending to make it special this summer. The PTA are planning different activities and fun events, but they will need volunteers to help them. If you can spare some time on the day or if you have some ideas you would like to share with us, please let us know.

We are also preparing for a celebration of the Queen's Jubilee. Because the official Jubilee date falls in half term, we will be having our own celebration after the half term break.

There are dates added to our calendar constantly, as teachers are organising the outings for every class. Please keep an eye out on the calendar to ensure you are well informed!

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Gonzalez



Stars of the Week

Reception – Nahia for fantastic work in phonics with learning the split digraphs.

Year 1 – Arianna-Rose for working hard, having great ideas and creating lovely artwork.

Year 2 – Daniel M for persevering with reading and working hard to develop comprehension skills.

Year 3 – Angela for pushing herself to use ambitious words in literacy.

Year 4 – Miracle for excellent topic work.

Year 5 – Ayaan for a fantastic attitude towards work and pushing himself in his learning.

Year 6 – all members of Year 6 are Stars of the Week this week.

First Holy Communions

First Holy Communions of children in Year 3 will take place as follows:

14th May at St Mary's, Chislehurst – Ella.

14th May at OLHC, Mottingham – Alex, Alice, Anna, Charlotte, Dominik, Dora, Frans, Giorgio, Immy, Jacob, Jason, Julian, Lainey, Luiza, Maddison, Selena.

15th May at St Mary's, Blackheath – Leia.

15th May at St Mary's, Chislehurst – Isabella.

15th May at Christchurch Priory, Eltham – Nasiah.

18th June at St James the Great, Orpington – Elsie.

Dates for your Diary

Special Jubilee Menu	Monday 23 rd – Friday 27 th May
Half term break	Monday 30 th May – Friday 3 rd June
Reception Class outing	Tuesday 7 th June
Year 1 class outing	Wednesday 15 th June
Sports Afternoon for Rec, Years 1 & 2	Tuesday 21 st June
Sports Afternoon for Years 3, 4, 5 & 6	Wednesday 22 nd June
Class photos to be taken	Tuesday 28 th June
Year 2 class outing	Wednesday 29 th June
School closed	Friday 1 st July
Year 5 class outing	Tuesday 5 th July
Year 3 class outing	Wednesday 6 th July
Summer Fair	Saturday 16 th July
Last day of Summer Term	Friday 22 nd July
First day of Autumn Term	Thursday 1 st September

Last Week's Attendance

3 rd – 6 th May	
Reception	95.8%
Year 1	96.3%
Year 2	92.2%
Year 3	84.9%
Year 4	100%
Year 5	95.1%
Year 6	98.3%
Whole school	94.6%



Gospel Reflection

John 13:31-35

Today Jesus has a very important message for his disciples, and for all who believe in him. Jesus asks us to love one another as he loves us. Let's think about how we can do that today.

Jesus tells his disciples that he will not be with them for much longer and he tells them how he'd like them to behave. Jesus knew that the time had come for him to suffer and die, before rising from the dead and returning to his Father in Heaven.

Jesus told the disciples to love one another. He gave them a new commandment, to love one another as he had loved them.

Jesus spent time with people, especially those who were sick, lonely, frightened or poor. He listened to them and ate with them. He healed them and he helped them to change their lives for the better.

He loved and cared for all people, and wanted to put right whatever was wrong in their lives.

Jesus asks us all to love one another as he loves us. What will you do to show your love for others this week?

Prayer:

Loving God, fill us with your love and help us to share this love with others, especially with those who are poor, sick, lonely or frightened.

Amen.