

St Vincent's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter
14 July 2023

Dear Parents and Families,

I am very pleased to announce that today, your child will be bringing home their school report.

The school report serves as an important tool in assessing your child's progress throughout the year. It provides a comprehensive overview of their academic performance, highlighting their achievements and areas for improvement.

We believe that regular communication between home and school is crucial in fostering your child's growth and development, and the school report plays a vital role in facilitating this communication.

Our teachers have invested considerable time in preparing these reports, ensuring that they reflect your child's strengths, challenges, and their unique journey of learning. We encourage you to review the report together with your child, offering praise for their accomplishments and discussing ways to address any areas that may require additional attention.

Remember, the school report is just one part of the picture. It is essential to consider the holistic growth of your child, including their social and emotional well-being, extracurricular activities, and character development. We encourage you to celebrate their progress in all areas of their education.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's report, we kindly request that you reach out to your child's teacher via the school office. The staff will be more than happy to address any queries you may have and provide additional guidance if needed.

Year 6

What incredible afternoons we had at the Year 6 productions and end-of-year party! It was a true celebration of our students' talents, hard work, and the joy of coming together as a community.

The **Year 6 production**, "Motown" was a resounding success. Our young actors gave fantastic performances, bringing the story to life with their enthusiasm, confidence, and stage presence. The energy and fervour from the audience were palpable as parents, teachers, and fellow students cheered on our Year 6 stars. The support and encouragement shown by our school community truly made the performances even more special. It was heartwarming to witness the bonds of friendship and camaraderie that have blossomed throughout the years.

A special mention goes to our dedicated teachers and staff who guided and supported the students throughout their preparation for the production. Well done Mr Moore, Mrs Meechan and Mrs Hudson!

Following the production, the **end-of-year party** provided a well-deserved opportunity for our Year 6 students to let loose and celebrate. The atmosphere was electric as they danced, played games, and enjoyed delicious treats. It was a fitting way to bid farewell to their primary school years and welcome the exciting adventures that lie ahead.

I would like to express our sincere gratitude to parent volunteers who made this event possible. Your dedication and commitment to creating a memorable experience for our children are deeply appreciated. The seamless organization, beautiful decorations, and thoughtful touches made the evening truly exceptional.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Gonzalez



Stars of the Week

Reception – Bethel-Eden for being very well behaved at the farm, helping and and listening well.
 Year 1 – George for a wonderful recount in literacy from our trip to Hall Place.
 Year 2 – the whole class for being brilliant on the class outing to The National Maritime Museum.
 Year 3 – Veronica for always excelling in learning.
 Year 4 – Chengyi for excellent creative writing.
 Year 5 – Sophie for dedicated and creative poetry writing.
 Year 6 – Elias for making great progress throughout the year.
 Year 6 – Myla for showing great determination to make progress.

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 19 July	Leavers' Mass at OLHC at 10:00am (<i>leaving school at 9:15</i>)
Wednesday 19 July	Art Gallery in the school hall 3:15 – 4:00pm
Thursday 20 July	Art Gallery in the school hall 3:15 – 4:00pm
Friday 21 July	Last day of Summer Term
Monday 4 September	First day of Autumn Term

Last Week of Term

There will be no multi-sports, science or performing arts clubs after school next week. School will finish at the usual time on Friday 21st July.

This Week's Attendance

10 - 14 July 2023	
Reception	95.3%
Year 1	96.0%
Year 2	97.3%
Year 3	98.4%
Year 4	96.7%
Year 5	91.9%
Year 6	97.2%
Whole school	96.0%



Class Photographs

The class photographs are now available for you to view on the Stanley Baker Studios website, once you have registered. If you require the Group image code, please call the Customer Support Team on 01255 242200 (Option 2) or e-mail support@sbsdigital.co.uk with the school name, your child's name and class.

Year 3 Recipe

Here is the recipe from Mrs Riley for the torrijas the children made for Spanish Day. The children loved making them, but most of all they loved eating them! The recipe is simple and the ingredients are things that you would normally have at home. We hope you enjoy making them to share with family and friends.

INGREDIENTS

120 mls milk
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 teaspoons sugar
Half a teaspoon cinnamon
1 egg
6 slightly stale slices from a French stick
Zest of half a lemon or orange

METHOD

1. Put milk in a large bowl
2. Add vanilla
3. Add sugar
4. Add cinnamon
5. Add zest
6. Whisk for one minute
7. Dip bread turning once and leave in bowl
8. Crack egg into small bowl and fork for 1 minute
9. Dip bread into egg, turn so both sides covered
10. Fry for 6 minutes each side

Unclaimed Raffle Prizes

If you have one of the following winning raffle tickets, please claim your prize by Friday 21st July.

Blue tickets 102, 159, 277, 345

Orange tickets 231, 666, 703

Thank you from Mrs Peares

Mrs Peares' time with us, teaching Year 4, sadly came to an end last week. We are sorry to lose her and wish her well for the future. She has asked us to pass on her thanks to pupils and parents for their kind messages, cards, flowers and gifts.

Gospel Reflection

Matthew 13:1-23

Today Jesus tells us a parable about planting seeds. It shows us how important it is that the seeds land on the right kind of ground to grow, but it also tells us something about ourselves and how we should be. Let's listen and find out more.

Jesus tells a story or parable about someone planting seeds in a field. He does not carefully place the seeds in the ground but scatters them around. The seeds all land in different places, some in good soil and some not.

All around the world, people plant seeds to grow. It is really important to make the ground ready, to make sure that the seeds have all that they need to grow. What do seeds need to grow? (Earth, water, light, food)

Seeds are very important. They are life. They are a gift from God. And they make growing food possible.

In today's gospel reading which is all about planting seeds, Jesus goes on to explain his parable and exactly what it means.

The seed that falls on the path is like those people who hear what Jesus is saying but don't really understand it or listen to it properly.

The seed that falls on the rocks is like the person who hears what Jesus asks of us and starts off really excited about it, but who gives up following him as soon as it is difficult.

The seed that falls in the thorns is like someone who hears what Jesus says but concentrates too much on having the best things, the most money, rather than on being the person Jesus wants us to be.

The seed that falls on the rich soil is like someone who hears what Jesus is asking, understands it, and lives their life as he asks them to.

So which one do you think we should try to be? How do you think you can be like the seed that falls on the rich soil? How do you listen to what Jesus is saying to you?

This week, see if you can be like the seed that falls on the rich soil – listen to what Jesus asks of you, try to understand it and live your life as God calls you to.

We try to listen to Jesus as we pray together:

Prayer

God of all, guide us as we listen to you, so that we may grow in faith and love. May we share that love with all people throughout the world.

Amen.