

St Vincent's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter
19 April 2024

Dear parents and families,

On April 23rd, St. George's Day, we honour the bravery and resoluteness of St. George, who stood up for his beliefs in the face of adversity.

As a young man, George enlisted in the Roman army and quickly rose through the ranks due to his exceptional skill and valour on the battlefield. His reputation as a brave and honourable soldier got him appointed as one of the emperor's personal guards.

However, it was George's unwavering faith that would define his legacy. At a time when Christianity was persecuted in the Roman Empire, George openly professed his Christian beliefs. Even in the face of oppression and when ordered to renounce his faith, George remained steadfast, refusing to betray his convictions.

St. George's Day serves as a reminder of the power of faith, courage, and resilience. Like St. George, we are called to uphold our values and principles, even in the face of adversity. His story continues to inspire countless individuals to stand up for what is right and just, echoing through the ages as a testament to the triumph of the human spirit.

Next week we will draw inspiration from St George's courage as we will celebrate Earth Day. On this day we will confront the challenges of plastic pollution and its impact on our environment.

Plastics have become pervasive in our lives, but their convenience comes at a significant cost to our planet. From the deepest oceans to the highest mountains, plastic waste has infiltrated every corner of our Earth, posing a grave threat to wildlife, ecosystems and human health.

This year, Earth Day's theme, "Planet vs Plastics," highlights the urgent need to address the plastic crisis. It's a call to action for all of us to reduce, reuse and recycle plastics, and to advocate for policies that promote sustainable alternatives.

We must confront the staggering statistics: millions of tons of plastic end up in our oceans every year, choking marine life and contaminating seafood. Microplastics have infiltrated our waterways, soil and even the air we breathe, presenting unknown risks to ecosystems and human health.

But amidst the sobering reality of plastic pollution, there is hope. Individuals, communities, and organisations around the world are taking a stand against plastics, implementing innovative solutions, and driving change.

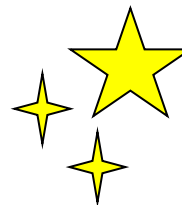
On this Earth Day, let's commit ourselves to the fight against plastics. Let's refuse single-use plastics, support initiatives to clean up our oceans and waterways and advocate for policies that prioritise alternatives to plastic.

Our planet is resilient, but it's up to us to protect it. Let's honour the spirit of St. George by standing up for our Earth and safeguarding it for future generations.

Have a lovely week.

Mrs Gonzalez

Stars of the Week



Reception – Danny for excellent phonics and maths.
Year 1 – Gabriel M for a fantastic attitude towards work.
Year 2 – George for excellent work including great ideas for writing.
Year 3 – Benedictus for making great contributions to class discussions.
Year 4 – Elena for creative simile work.
Year 5 – Daniel for working hard in maths when learning about perimeter and area.
Year 6 – Ryan for continuing to improve his written work.

School Value Awards

Reception – Rio for showing resilience in all his work.
Year 1 – Tomas for showing resilience and determination in his writing.
Year 2 – Luisa for showing resilience in learning by taking on challenges.
Year 3 – Aurora for helping children and being a role model for compassion and love.
Year 4 – Henry for being a caring friend.
Year 5 – Victoria for showing compassion when sharing and playing with others.
Year 6 – Affan for showing compassion by being helpful.

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 24 April	Year 4 Mass attendance
Wednesday 24 April	Year 3 Library Visit
Wednesday 1 May	Year 3 Mass attendance
Wednesday 1 May	Year 4 Library Visit
Monday 6 May	School closed for Bank Holiday
Wednesday 8 May	Year 5 Mass attendance
Wednesday 8 May	Year 2 Library Visit
Wednesday 22 May	Years 2 & 6 Mass attendance
Friday 24 May	Break The Rules Day
Monday 27 to Friday 31 May	Summer half term break
Thursday 6 June	50p trail <i>(Please save 50p coins in preparation)</i>
Saturday 13 July	Summer Fair
Tuesday 23 July	Last day of Summer Term
Thursday 29 August	First day of Autumn Term

This Week's Attendance

15-19 April 2024	
Reception	91.7%
Year 1	97.5%
Year 2	98.3%
Year 3	96.3%
Year 4	96.7%
Year 5	96.8%
Year 6	96.9%
Whole school	96.3%

