

St Vincent's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter
25 April 2025

Dear Parents and Families,

As we return to school after the Easter break, still filled with the joy and hope of the Resurrection, we are met with the sad news of the passing of Pope Francis. His life, marked by compassion, humility, and service, has been a guiding light for so many.

At St Vincent's, Pope Francis has inspired our children in countless ways. His call to care for *our common home* has encouraged them to take thoughtful action in looking after the world around them. His message to be *Pilgrims of Hope* continues to shape how our pupils see themselves — as people who bring peace, purpose and positivity wherever they go.

This week also saw the celebration of St George's Day, a reminder of courage, honour and standing up for what is right. These are values that speak to our children through the lives of saints and role models like St George and Pope Francis — individuals who stood firm in their faith and worked for the good of others.

As we begin this new term, may we take inspiration from both and be renewed in our commitment to live with love, unity and hope.

"Let us protect with love all that God has given us." – Pope Francis



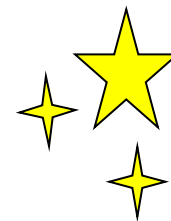
Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let Your perpetual light shine upon him.

May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Amen

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Gonzalez



Stars of the Week

Reception – Tiaraoluwa for a fantastic first week at St Vincent's.
Year 1 – Sophia for her willingness to challenge herself and step out of her comfort zone.
Year 2 – Michael for showing great interest in new topics and exploring ideas with enthusiasm.
Year 3 – Nicholas for being an excellent role model, through hard work and dedication.
Year 4 – Annie for strong vocabulary usage.
Year 5 – Stefano for great effort to stay on task, especially in English.
Year 6 – Bella for making a determined effort to improve her work.

School Value Awards

Reception – Sofia for resilience in her new classroom; a fantastic first week.
Year 1 – Alanis for remarkable resilience in the face of challenges and never giving up.
Year 2 – Paula for a positive attitude to learning and for kindness and compassion to others.
Year 3 – Ava for a strong desire to succeed and consistently striving to do her best.
Year 4 – Benita for efforts to make the classroom welcoming and peaceful.
Year 5 – Valentina for consistently pushing through difficulties and staying focused on goals.
Year 6 – Alex for continuing to work hard to improve.

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.

Wednesday 30 April	Year 4 Celebration of the Word
Wednesday 30 April	Year 5 visit to Mass
Wednesday 7 May	Year 2 Celebration of the Word
Wednesday 7 May	Year 3 visit to Mass
Wednesday 14 May	Year 4 visit to Mass
Wednesday 21 May	Year 1 Celebration of the Word
Wednesday 21 May	Years 2 & 6 visit to Mass
Friday 23 May	Last day of first half of Summer Term
Monday 26 May – Monday 2 June	Half term break
Tuesday 3 June	First day of second half of Summer Term
Tuesday 22 July	Last day of Summer Term
Monday 1 September	First day of Autumn Term

Term and holiday dates up to July 2026 are shown on the school website

This Week's Attendance

22 - 25 April 2025	
Reception	92.6%
Year 1	97.7%
Year 2	93.8%
Year 3	99.2%
Year 4	93.4%
Year 5	94.0%
Year 6	93.4%
Whole school	94.9%

 Well done Year 3 
– best attendance for this week
with 99.2%