

St Vincent's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter
6 February 2026

Dear parents and carers,

At St Vincent's, our school values sit at the heart of everything we do. They shape how children behave, how they learn and how they treat one another, ensuring that pupils grow not only academically, but as confident, respectful and compassionate individuals.

These values align closely with the British Values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs. Throughout the school day, children are encouraged to share their views respectfully, listen carefully to others, follow agreed rules and understand that rights come with responsibilities.

As a Catholic school, our approach is also rooted in Catholic Social Teaching, which places human dignity, care for others and the common good at its centre. Children are taught that everyone is made in the image of God and that kindness, fairness and service to others are not optional, but essential.

These principles are lived out daily through our Fantastic Learning principles and expectations.

We expect children to:

- behave with respect and kindness
- listen carefully and engage positively with learning
- follow routines that support a calm, purposeful environment
- take responsibility for their choices and actions

In return, children are supported through clear expectations, explicit teaching and warm, consistent relationships. Our classrooms reflect a culture where pupils feel safe to express ideas, challenge themselves and learn from mistakes — preparing them to be confident learners and responsible citizens.

Through assemblies, classroom practice, behaviour routines and leadership opportunities, children learn:

- that everyone has a voice and that listening matters (democracy)
- that clear rules create fairness and safety (rule of law)
- that choice comes with responsibility (individual liberty)
- that respect and tolerance are essential in a diverse society (mutual respect and tolerance)

By consistently reinforcing our school values and Fantastic Learning expectations, we are helping children develop strong moral foundations, resilience and a clear sense of right and wrong — equipping them well for the next stage of their education and for life in modern Britain.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Gonzalez
Headteacher



Stars of the Week

Reception – Kaian for consistently completing work to a high standard and taking pride in it.

Year 1 – George for willingness to challenge himself and step out of his comfort zone.

Year 2 – Athena for a great attitude to learning and working hard at tasks.

Year 3 – Jackson for a positive attitude towards learning and putting in his best effort.

Year 4 – Kaiden for being hard working and a fantastic role model in the class.

Year 5 – Jesse for making positive contributions in class.

Year 6 – Amari for working hard to improve his literacy work.

School Value Awards

Reception – Charlotte for consistent kindness and respect to all, making the class welcoming.

Year 1 – Edoisluwa for kindness and respect to all, making the class a welcoming place.

Year 2 – Kyrie for kindness and compassion, and for working hard at tasks.

Year 3 – Amanda for being ready to help others, spreading positivity and care throughout school.

Year 4 – Ava for always aspiring to do her best in her classwork.

Year 5 – Sophia for aspiring to set standards in her learning.

Year 6 – Rhimer for working hard to improve her writing.

Silver Awards

Silver Awards are for earning 50 dojos! Well done!

Year 4 – Destiny.

Gold Awards

Gold Awards are for earning 100 dojos! Well done!

Year 1 – Alonso.

Year 2 – Eva.

Year 4 – Chimmy, Lyla, Kaiden.

This Week's Attendance

2-6 February 2026	
Reception	95.3%
Year 1	94.1%
Year 2	95.0%
Year 3	96.6%
Year 4	98.8%
Year 5	97.2%
Year 6	95.0%
Whole school	96.1%





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 11 February	Year 4 celebration of the Word
Monday 16 – Friday 20 February	Half Term Break
Friday 27 March	Last day of Spring Term
Tuesday 14 April	First day of Summer Term

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

Christmas Costume Donations

Now that Christmas is well and truly behind us, many families may be having a clear-out of wardrobes and storage boxes. If your child wore a costume for our Christmas productions and it is now too small, no longer needed, or you were planning to pass it on, we would be very grateful if you would consider donating it to the school.

We would also welcome donations of any other costumes suitable for Reception or younger children, which can be used to support role play, storytelling, performances and themed learning throughout the year.

Donated costumes are carefully stored and reused to support future nativity plays, drama activities and themed events. Having a bank of costumes allows us to ensure that all children can take part fully, without families feeling pressure to purchase new outfits each year.

If you are able to donate, please bring any clean costumes to the school office. Your support helps us to build a shared resource for the children and is a wonderful way of supporting our school community.

Thank you, as always, for your generosity and continued support.