

Newsletter

Friday 8th September 2023

Clubs:

Every day – Breakfast Club from 7:30 am
(Please note, children must arrive before 8:30am).

Monday	Film Club 3:25 - 5:00 Y5/Y6 Sport 3:25 - 4:15
Tuesday	Cook Club 3:25 – 4:15 Y1/Y2 Sport 3:25 - 4:15 Y3 Sewing 3:25 – 4:15
Wednesday	KS2 Dance 3:25 – 4:15
Thursday	Y2 – Y6 Homework Club 3:25 - 4:15 Y1 Craft Club 3:25 – 4:15
Friday	Book Club Y2 – Y6 3:25 - 4:15 Y3/Y4 Sport 3:25 - 4:15

Please see the school website for more events.

Monday 11th September

Y6 to Safety Works
Y4 1st Holy Communion meeting @ 3:25pm

Friday 15th September

Y4 Kielder meeting for parents @ 3:25pm

Monday 18th September

Y3 to The Hancock Museum

Tuesday 19th September

Y6 to Washington Old Hall
Fire Brigade safety talk for Y4

Wednesday 20th September

Y5 to Jarrow Hall
Y2 Open-Top Bus Tour

Thursday 21st September

Y5 History Guy in class

Tuesday 26th – Friday 29th September

Y5 Bikeability

Thursday 28th September

Y1 to Rising Sun Country Park

Monday 2nd October

Y4 Sacramental Preparation 3:25 – 4:15pm

Thursday 5th – Friday 6th October

Y4 Kielder Residential

Monday 9th October

Y2 to The Mosque

Thursday 12th October

School Photographs

Monday 2nd October

Y4 Sacramental Preparation 3:25 – 4:15pm

Monday 23rd October

School Half-Term Holiday

Welcome back! What a wonderful sight it was to see the children skipping into the yard on Wednesday morning: shiny shoes, smart hair-cuts and sun-kissed cheeks all set for the new academic year.

Not only do we welcome 30 new Reception pupils this year, but three new members of staff too.

We are sure you join us in extending a very warm welcome to everyone new to St. Vincent's: new pupils, new parents/carers and new staff. Miss Mercer is a temporary Teaching Assistant supporting our new Reception children, Mrs Moroeanu is our new Teaching Assistant in Year 1 and Rosie is our new child-psychotherapist.



'Welcome all'.



Following our unexpected Ofsted Inspection on 27th/28th June 2023, the new Inspection Report has now been published.

What is it like to attend this school?

Leaders at St Vincent's Catholic School deliver on their commitment to provide quality education in a caring environment. Leaders express high expectations for all pupils. They inspire pupils to do their best. Pupils enjoy coming to school and are enthusiastic learners.

The full Ofsted report has been sent home to every family today. The report is also posted on the school website:

<https://www.stvincents.uk/ourschool/inspectionreports>

At St. Vincent's, every holiday is an opportunity to repair, up-date and modernise our school premises: both inside and out. It's been a very busy summer! Our boundary brick wall was replaced because it was beginning to show signs of crumbling. We know that many of you followed its progress during the holidays.



Our admin office was given a make-over: creating a modern, bright working space with plenty of storage.



Two canopies were erected. One in the time-out yard, creating a great space for messy work, plus one near the dinner hall for gardening projects.



Additionally, all notice-boards in the corridors and classrooms were replaced, a brand-new fire alarm system was installed and, finally, some necessary electrical work was completed on circuit boards. A very, very busy summer indeed!

ATTENDANCE

*“Central to raising standards in education and ensuring all pupils can fulfil their potential is an assumption so widely understood that it is insufficiently stated – **pupils need to attend school regularly to benefit from their education.** DfE*



Attendance	
Class	Attendance
Reception	The Department for Education's updated guidance for tackling poor school attendance is now active.
Year 1	
Year 2	
Year 3	It states, ' <i>...the law protects pupils' right to an education and provides a range of legal interventions to formalize attendance improvement efforts, and ...enforce it through prosecuting parents.</i> '
Year 4	
Year 5	
Year 6	
Total	

Hip-hip hooray to all our 100% and 99% attenders from last year. Top attending pupils and staff enjoyed a marvelous morning of fun and treats on the last day of term. HUGE 'congratulations!' went to our Y6 super-attender, Blessing, who did not miss one single day of school from Reception up to Year 6. Blessing, like Miss Willis, has a flawless 100% attendance record covering seven school years. Fannnnntastic!

With lots of great rewards for excellent attendance, this year we're all going to be...**IN-IT-2-WIN IT!**

We are all so very glad to be back in school: St. Vincent's family reunited.

Knock, knock
Who's there?

Lettuce

Lettuce who?

Lettuce in, the school holidays are over!

