

Newsletter

Friday 12th January 2024

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 Fencing 3:25 - 4:15
Tuesday	Cook Club 3:25 - 4:30 Y1/Y2 Golf 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 Rec/Y1 Craft Club 3:25 - 4:15
Friday	Book Club Y2 – Y6 3:25 - 4:15 Y3/Y4 Fencing 3:25 - 4:15

Please see the school website for more events.

Tuesday 16th January

Y5 to The Laing Gallery
Y6 to Sunderland University

Wednesday 17th January

Y2 to The Laing Gallery
First Confession for Y4 RC Pupils

Friday 19th January

Y4 to The Hancock Museum

Tuesday 23rd January

Rec to Seven Stories
NSPCC Assembly for Y5 & Y6

Thursday 1st February

Y1 to The Hancock Museum
Stay & Play with Reception @2:45pm

Monday 5th February

The History Guy in Y4
The History Guy in Y2

Friday 9th February

Y3 to The Life Centre

Tuesday 13th February

Rec & Y6 NHS Height and Weight
Stay & Pray with Reception @2:45pm

Monday 19th – 23rd February

Half-Term Holiday

Monday 26th February

Back to school – Hooray!

Thursday 29th February

Y6 to Beamish Open-Air Museum
Y4 to El Cotto Restaurant

Monday 4th March

The History Guy in Year3
The History Guy in Year6

Wednesday 6th March

NSPCC talk to Year2

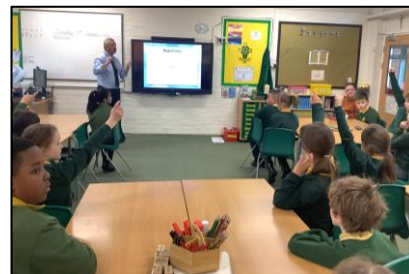


We are all thrilled to be back in school: bursting with eager anticipation for the wonderful adventures that 2024 will bring. New Year greetings to you all.

May our eternal God, who transcends our understanding of time, be with us all in this new year and always.

Staff would like to say a BIG 'thank you' for all the generous gifts and thoughtful cards received from parents and pupils at Christmas. We know that we are blessed to be part of such a kind and caring community. Thank you.

Mr T, a magistrate from our local Law Courts, returned to St. Vincent's on Tuesday for his annual visit to Year 6. The pupils joined Mr T on a grisly journey from **Crime to Court** and then considered the consequences of breaking the law. Our upstanding Y6 pupils fully understand the importance of working as a community to prevent crime.



Santa delivered a number electric-scooters to pupils this Christmas and, consequently, a number of parents are asking if children can ride them to and from school. The simple answer is 'no'.

Our decision is based on a number of factors:

- The law – it is illegal to ride an e-scooter on the pavement and a driving licence is required to ride a motorised vehicle on the road
- Potential injuries – the start and end of the school day involves lots of children and lots of adults moving around. It would be unsafe for both riders and pedestrians
- Insufficient storage space – our tiny bike/scooter shed is too small for large electronic vehicles
- Loss or damage – school takes no responsibility for bikes and scooters left on school property

Thank you for your understanding with this matter.

Congratulations to Y2 for winning the Attendance Trophy with their 97.6% Autumn2 attendance. Let's not forget, they won it in Autumn1 too!



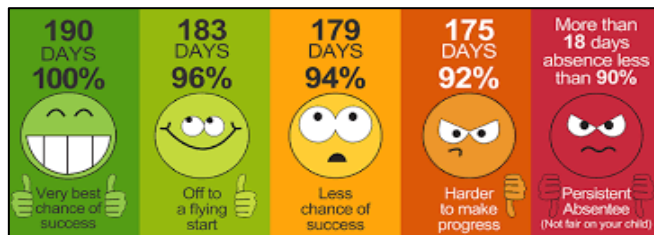
Well-done also to the 86 St. Vincent's children (41% of pupils) who have been in school EVERY day since September: they are wearing their 100% badges with pride.

Everyone was delighted to welcome back this week Mrs Gates following her 12 months of Maternity Leave. Mrs Gates slid seamlessly back into her TA role in Y3: just like she'd never been away!



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 for Autumn Term	
Rec	96.4%
Y1	94.2%
Y2	97.6%
Y3	95.9%
Y4	94.7%
Y5	97.3%
Y6	95.6%
All	95.95%

Our autumn attendance was just a whisker away from the DfE's target of 96%...well done to both Y2 and Y5 for their comfortable lead: bravo!

The Winits Emporium will be open for business next week: trinkets, toys, craft items, take-away lunch, The Ouseburn Excursion and an afternoon at the cinema. Blimey, spend or save? What a devilish dilemma!

Here is our first joke for 2024:

Q. What do you say on the 1st of January?



A. "Last year just seems like yesterday!"

Our next Statement to Live By is: *I can tell you how I look after myself.*

Our next British Value is: *Mutual Respect*

