



Dear Parents,

Welcome back and Happy New Year to you all. Having that extra time after the new year did make it feel like a nice break - especially when other schools were back before us! I hope you all managed some rest and relaxation time, your children certainly did, they have come back full of enthusiasm for their learning. What a great start to the year. Many thanks for all your kind words, cards and gifts before Christmas. The staff and I are all very grateful; we are very lucky to have such generous parents.

## Spotlight On... Our Brand New Website



### 16.09.2016 - New Beginnings - Planting Bulbs

Lesson: Learning Outside the Classroom

#### New Beginnings...

We now have all our Reception class in school. It was such a delight to meet them on their tour of 'big' school, there were many smiling faces and interesting questions!

I have also given every child in the school a daffodil or tulip bulb to plant. This is a sign that each new year is a new beginning, and a chance to grow something new in our lives. I can't wait to see them in the Spring!

Mrs G. Davies



### Our Calendar

Whole School	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
January 2017							
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
Year 5 & Year 6 - Swimming, Multiparts		Choir Practice	Parent/Readings, Sewing, KS1 Football, Nature Explorer's Club	After-school Sports Club	Y4 Musical Instruments	Reception After-school sports club, KS2 Football	

New Website address - <http://www.stvincentsknutsford.co.uk/>

Today we launch our brand new website, we hope that you will find it very informative with lots of useful information. Over the next few weeks the teachers will be adding to the Spring sections of the class pages, this may be in the form of photographs, useful websites, Curriculum Overviews, summaries of what has been going on in class etc. We will also be adding to the general information on the website as we update policies, finalise new dates for the school calendar or have any other news that we need to share with you. Please do check it, use it and let us know if you would like us to consider adding other information to it.

So that you can familiarise yourself with what is on our website, we have hidden a little snowman somewhere on one of the pages. The first person to email telling us where it is will win a prize – [admin@stvincents.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@stvincents.cheshire.sch.uk) Please include your child's name and class in the email - happy hunting!

## Awards

Congratulations to our weekly badge winners.

**Good Conduct Award** – Excellent attitude in all aspects of school life.

**Courtesy Award** – Good manners and polite behaviour.

**Merit Award** – Super work and effort in a particular area of the Curriculum.

Year Group	Good Conduct Award	Courtesy Award	Merit Award
Reception	Charlie E	Liam M	Jack S
Year 1	Jack D	Bella J	Charlie R
Year 2	Emilia R	Charlotte M	Aodhan M
Year 3	Harry T	Peace C	Natalia L
Year 4	Isabella B	Martha C	Matilda H
Year 5	Leo B	Bella M	Imogen W
Year 6	Jemima R	Dominic S	Charlotte W

## Curriculum Overviews

Tonight all children will bring home a Curriculum Overview, providing you with lots of information about the work they will be doing in class and homework routines. Please take the time to read it.

## KIRFs (Key Instant Recall Facts)

The Spring KIRFs will be sent home tonight, please pin them up somewhere visible at home so that your child can look at them each day. The expectation is that children will learn these facts and use them in other aspects of their Maths work in school.

## Writing Competition

A small group of children from Years 4, 5 and 6 entered a Young Writers poetry competition called 'Once Upon a Dream'. This week all the children who entered were thrilled when they received letters to say that their poem is to be published. Well done Toby, Christian, Katharine, Stefanie and Madeleine!

## Cars and Children

The safety of our children is paramount to us all. Can I please remind you to think about the safety of others and the access to and from properties around school. This week a silver and black car was photographed parked up on the pavement, this has been passed to our PCO to follow up. This could have caused a serious risk to our children, and a potential problem should emergency vehicles have had to access the school. Also, please ensure you use the school footpaths when picking up children from After School clubs and do not walk across the staff car park, some staff may well be leaving school at this time and moving their cars. Keep our children safe!



## Next PTA Meeting

The next PTA meeting is due to take place on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January at 7.30pm at the Legh Arms in Knutsford. All parents are welcome to join, please do pop along if you can.



## KSSP Event

Next week is the first KSSP event of 2017. The event is a Netball tournament with other Knutsford schools and will include students from Year 5 and Year 6. Please return your permission slip if you have not already done so.

## The Week Ahead

Subject	Start Time	End Time
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2017</b>		
Y5 & Y6 Swimming – Remember swimming kits!		
Multisports	15:15	16:15
<b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2017</b>		
Choir Practice	15:15	16:15
<b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2017</b>		
KS1 Football	15:15	16:15
Streetdance	15:15	16:15
Nature Explorer's Club	15:15	16:00
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2017</b>		
Mixed Sports Club	15:15	16:15
Drama Club	15:15	16:15
Netball Tournament at KHS	15:45	17:00
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2017</b>		
Year 4 – Remember musical instruments		
KS2 Football	15:15	16:15
Reception Sports Club	15:15	16:00



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