# Focus on ... Year 6

Year 6 have had another very busy week. We had brilliant fun on Monday playing in the snow during our Forest School session. Mrs Bullen and Miss Hughes loved seeing how well we all played together and included everyone.



In History this week, we have completed our double page spreads all about life in the trenches of the Western Front during World War One. We are excited to move on to learning about World War Two shortly.

In Science, we had great fun learning about fruits and vegetables that contain electrolyte solutions. We managed to power an LED bulb with lemons, tomatoes, kiwis, potatoes, red onions and apples!





Together with building on our understanding of fractions in Maths and beginning our new topic on Exploring the Mass in RE, we've hardly stopped!

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Believe, Trust and Be Ready "That they may have life, and to the full" John 10:10

Gospel Values Our gospel value this week is DIGNITY.

Happy New Year!



# **Behaviour Awards**

Conduct and Courtesy Award – Great attitude with good manners and behaviour. Merit Award – Super work and effort in a particular area of the Curriculum.

Year Group	Gospel value: Dignity	Conduct and Courtesy	Merit award - comment
Reception	Sofia	Leon	Ethan – fantastic penguin writing.
Year 1	Albert	Aurora	Aiden – fantastic responses in R.E.
Year 2	Max	Lillie	James – a great descriptive poem about the bog baby.
Year 3	Rhea	James	Benjamin – for working hard in all subjects.
Year 4	Henry	Robyn	Zara – for an excellent poem linked to our new book.
Year 5	Grace F	Zachary	Max – for his creative prediction about our new class book.
Year 6	Harry	Mia	Harrison – for working hard always and being a pleasure to teach.

### Attendance

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Reception	95.8%	Year 4	88.6%				
Year 1	91.3%	Year 5	96.4%				
Year 2	93.3%	Year 6	93.4%				
Year 3	96.7%						

### WELL DONE YEAR 3 – EXCELLENT ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK!

#### Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back and Happy New Year to you all. I hope you all managed some rest and relaxation time over Christmas and New Year, it seems so long ago now. What a week we have had with snow and blizzard like weather. It was a hard decision to close on Wednesday but for safety it had to be done. Thank you for your understanding and a special thanks to all the dads lead by Mr Richards who came on Thursday morning to help shift snow and ice.

Have a lovely weekend, God Bless.

Miss Groarke and all the staff at St. Vincent's.

### **Congratulations!**

Congratulations to Miss Billington who got married over the Christmas holidays. She is now Mrs Webster. I'm sure you will join us in wishing Mr and Mrs Webster joy, love and happiness as they begin their new married lives together.



### **Christmas Performance Donations**

Thank you for your generous donations with both the ticket sales for the Rec/KS1 and KS2 children's Christmas performances and the 'bucket' cash donations. We raised a total of £636.30 for the Diocese of Shrewsbury Caritas at Christmas Appeal.

# Reverse Advent Calendar Hope Central 2024 - Our grateful thanks

2024 was both a challenging and an exciting year for Hope Central. Our charity has grown significantly and we are now able to reach and support many more people with food and with a variety of services and resources. Below is a summary of what we have achieved in 2024;

4	Hope Centres are now fully open each week				
100	people came to our Hope Centres each week				
13	people debt free in 2024 and 33 current clients				
23	Money Course attendees				
800	people received food from our foodbanks				
60,100	meals supplied from our food banks				
29	people joined our Job Club				
25	people attended our English classes each week				
155	Christmas parcels were delivered				
18	people attended an Alpha course				

None of this would have been possible without you, the kind and generous organisations and individuals who have supported us throughout 2024. We thank you and ask that you would pass on these thanks to everyone who has helped you to help us.

We wish you every blessing for 2025 and look forward to delivering more in 2025 for the people in our communities who need our help.

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## **House Points**

House points are awarded throughout the week for all kinds of achievement or for good behaviour in all classes. The house point totals for this week were as follows:

St. David	St. Andrew	St. George	St. Patrick
21	17	17	22

Well done to this week's winning house - St. Patrick

## **Curriculum Overviews**

Details of the curriculum being covered in each class are to be found in the Curriculum Overviews sent home today. Homework timetables are also included but please be aware there are occasional variations in juniors so check homework diaries for the tasks set. Please spend a little time chatting with your child about homework and if you have any resources or expertise that you could offer, please don't be shy – let your child's teacher know!

# KIRFs (Key Instant Recall Facts)

The Spring term KIRFs have been 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.

# Payments for 2025 Residential visits

Thank you for all payments made towards the residentials so far. We are still outstanding a number of permissions and payments. Please ensure you log onto ParentPay ASAP and sign your child up. Please note if you need some financial help, please contact Miss Groarke to make an appointment to discuss this.

Y5/Y6 ROBINWOOD: 19/03/2025-21/03/2025. Please ensure full payment is received via ParentPay by 7<sup>th</sup> March 2025.

**Y4 PETTY POOL:** 28/04/2025-30/04/2025

**Y3 FOX HOWL:** 21/05/2025-22/05/2025

Please ensure that all payments and permissions are made via ParentPay.

## St George's House Party



'On Tuesday, as a member of St. George house, we wore our red shirts and brought a game into school. It was so much fun and we all got to choose a biscuit or a sweet. I hope we win again so we can have more fun', by Max (Y5).

'St George had won the house points last term so on Tuesday we got to have an hour in the hall to party and we also got to wear our own red tops for the day. The party was amazing! We were given biscuits and sweets at the start and after this we played games we brought from home. As house captain it was my job to help the infants as well as to make sure everyone had fun. It was an absolute pleasure to be the house captain of the winning team. I knew we had all worked very hard and it was (in my opinion) a well-deserved win. Every house point earned for being good or doing amazing work counted and I think that was why we won. We got lots of little points to make a big score. Well done everyone', by Harrison (Y6).

## **Extreme hairstyles**

The school does not permit children to have extreme haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children and are not in keeping with our high standards or with the ethos and policy of the school. This includes patterns shaved into the hair, colour and excessive use of hair products.

The Week Ahead	Start Time	End Time							
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> January 2025									
Y4 Love Music Trust Wider Opportunities Music Concert – Don't forget instruments!	14:45								
Year 5 Forest School (Bring Forest schools clothes in a bag – no shorts)	PM								
D.R. Sports – Multi Sports (Y1-Y6)	15:30	16:30							
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> January	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> January								
Music Ninjas – Piano lessons		PM							
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> January									
ARTIS Performing arts workshops – all classes									
D.R. Sports – Dodgeball/Basketball/Netball (Y1-Y6)	15:30	16:30							
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> January									
Rock Steady Music									
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> January									
Mrs Cox's Choir – KS2	15:25	16:15							
D.R. Sports – KS2 Football	15:30	16:30							
* DR Sports After School Clubs are booked directly through their website at <u>www.drsportsclubs.co.uk</u>									
Birthday Wishes! Many happy returns for this week to: LOOK WHO IS 5 Tudor									

Father David and St. Vincent's Church

St Vincent De Paul RC Church, Knutsford (stvincentsknutsford.org)

Masses at Knutsford: Sunday – 9:00 am and 11:00 am Masses at Lymm: Vigil Mass at St Winefride's, Booths Hill Rd, Lymm, WA13 0DL at 5.45pm on Saturdays.

**CHRISTMAS MASSES**: St Vincent's - there will be a Vigil Mass at 5pm and Midnight Mass at 9pm on Christmas Eve and Mass on Christmas morning at 11am. There will be a Vigil Mass at 7pm on Christmas Eve and 9am on Christmas morning at Lymm.

**MUMS AND TOTS AT ST. VINCENT'S PARISH CENTRE -** all preschool aged children and parents/carers are welcome every Friday (except the first Friday of the month) at the Parish Centre from 10am until 12.

**THE SAFEGUARDING** of vulnerable adults and children in our Church is an absolute priority. The Safeguarding Officer in Church is Sharon Lloyd who can be contacted on 07840 918263 or see the poster in the Church porch for more details.