

Focus on....Year 4

The Summer term has continued to be busy and we have been enjoying this wonderful sunshine.

In class, we have been using our Science knowledge about building circuits to help us with our DT project, designing posters about electrical safety. We had great fun sharing the finished products with our Reception buddies- they were very impressed!

Our study into the Romans has continued during our History lessons and this week we have been fascinated to learn about the things that the Romans introduced to Britain that we still use such as glass windows, libraries, roads, cats and even stinging nettles!

We have loved our statistics topic in Maths and we are now able to interpret line graphs and even draw our own.

Mark Airey from Knutsford Tennis club has been impressed with our tennis skills and this week with ten Year 4s represented our school in a tennis tournament, and we were placed a very respectable third.



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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:
TRUTH



This week our focus is the gospel value of **truth**. We should stand up for the truth on all occasions and know that God will be with us in that decision to tell the truth. It might be easier to tell a little lie on occasions, but one lie often leads to another, and this can often mean that lots of people get hurt in the process.

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: Peace	Conduct and Courtesy	Merit award - comment
Reception	Flynn	Sophie	Leon – for always trying his best with his work.
Year 1	Henry	Lillie	Thomas – amazing progress and effort with his writing.
Year 2	Oscar	Gracie	Dora – for fabulous writing this week.
Year 3	Milan	Stanley	Juliet – for working hard in history when looking at the Nile.
Year 4	AraOluwa	Noah	Jaxon – excellent effort with reading.
Year 5	Frace F	Daniel	Bobby – for the fantastic effort he has put into the presentation of his work.
Year 6	Ferreira	Theo	Emma – for working really hard on her Amazon research and writing.

Dear Parents/Carers,

It's been another action-packed week in school, filled with energy, achievement, and excitement! From cricket and tennis to a whole host of other activities, the children have been busy making the most of every moment. A special highlight for me was taking four of our brilliant Year 5 pupils to a Maths Challenge competition, where they competed against 19 other schools, and came third! I was bursting with pride. Their teamwork, focus, and enthusiasm were outstanding.

On Wednesday, we welcomed our new Reception starters for their very first visit. It was such a joy to see their smiling faces as they spent the afternoon with Miss Quinn. I can hardly believe they'll be starting school in September—many of them I remember as babies! Thursday brought another heart-warming moment as I watched our Preschool (lots of our new Reception for September) children shine during their Sports Day. They were absolutely amazing—full of joy and determination.

And can you believe it? Just two weeks and two days until the summer holidays! The countdown is officially on. But before we get there... tomorrow is the big one—our major PTA event of the year! So much hard work has gone on behind the scenes, and now all we need is YOU. Bring your family, bring your friends, and come along for a fantastic day of fun, laughter, and community spirit.

See you tomorrow!

God Bless,

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

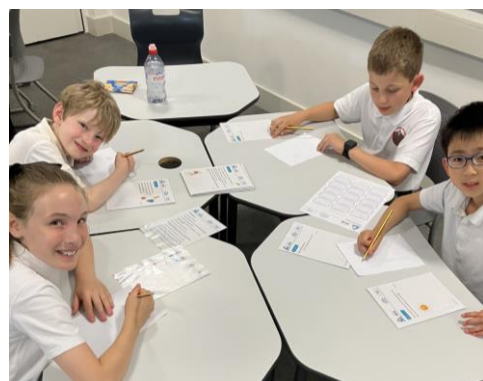
Pre school

Yesterday marked a special occasion at St Vincent's Pre-school as they celebrated both their annual Sports Day and a remarkable milestone—25 years of dedicated service from Fiona Paley and Yvonne Morris. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Fiona and Yvonne for their unwavering commitment and long-standing contribution to the setting. Your dedication has played a significant role in shaping the warm, nurturing environment that defines the St Vincent's Pre-school family. To commemorate this achievement, both were presented with flowers and gifts by Cath Davies and Emma Long. Together, these four valued members of staff represent an incredible 100 years of combined service—a true testament to their passion and loyalty.



Y5 Maths Challenge at St Ambrose

'We really enjoyed going to St Ambrose. Firstly, we went to the theatre room and were told what we'd be doing during the day. Then, we did our first maths puzzle. We had to answer 15 questions in 30 minutes. After that, we went into the puzzle room, where we had to solve riddles, for example, fitting all the shapes into one big shape. Next, we did the maths treasure hunt. The tricky part was that if you got one number wrong, it could all go wrong! After lunch, we did a series of tricky maths questions. Our last activity was the Harry Potter logic quiz. When we'd completed all the activities, we went back to the theatre room, where they announced the winners. St Vincent's came 3rd out of 19 schools! We got certificates along with maths prizes', by Evie and Edward Ch.



Mini Vinnies visit to Sharston House

Yesterday, our Mini Vinnies took part in their last event of the year. We visited Sharston House to support the residents in a variety of summer sporting events. We used throwing, catching, aiming, kicking and teamwork skills. There was lots of cheering and laughter, and everyone had a very enjoyable and fun afternoon. I would like to say a big thank you to all our Mini Vinnies, they have been truly amazing this year and have done so much to help others. Well done everyone!



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
18	18	15	26

Well done to this week's winning house – **St Patrick**

Attendance

Reception	94.1%	Year 4	98.5%
Year 1	96.8%	Year 5	94.5%
Year 2	97.7%	Year 6	92.5%
Year 3	96%		

WELL DONE 4 – AMAZING ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK!

Y4 Tennis Tournament

Yesterday a selection of your Y4 children took part in the Knutsford Primary's Tennis Tournament at Knutsford Tennis Club. The children played amazingly and came third! Well done children!



Menu Changes

The following changes will be made to next week's dinner menu:

Monday: Cheesy Bean Tortilla replaces Veggie Meatballs.

Friday: Quorn Dippers replace Veggie Dippers.

The rest of the menu will remain unchanged.

Birthday Wishes!

Many happy returns for this week:

LOOK WHO
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Eddie

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Michael

End of School Year Masses – Everyone welcome

On Sunday 13th July Year 5 and Year 1 will be leading the end of year Parish Mass at 11 o'clock. Then on Tuesday 15th July we will be celebrating a Thanksgiving Mass for the whole school, in the school hall at 9.15am. It would be lovely to see all our families represented at these very special occasions.

REMINDER: School Payments on ParentPay

Please can we remind parents/carers to ensure that all money owed is paid before we break up – **especially for Year 6 children**. This includes all outstanding dinner money and trip money. If you are unsure how much is owed, please contact Mrs Lees in the school office.

School dinners **MUST** be paid for in advance via ParentPay and the maximum in arrears amount you can now be in is one week (£16). If you should have any queries, please contact Mrs Lees.

Year 6 Leavers Mass and party – Thursday 17th July 6.30 pm

On Thursday 17th July Father David will be celebrating Mass for our Year 6 leavers, followed by a party/activity in our school hall and field. This is always a very special Mass, a time when we give thanks for our wonderful pupils and pray for them as they embark on the next stage of their school journey. Everyone is welcome to join us at Mass in the School Hall but the party/activities are for the Year 6 children only.

Transition

The transition in school has already begun. Some of our Year 6 children have visited their new high schools and our new Reception starters have already 'stayed and played'. On Tuesday 15th July, all children from Reception to Year 5 will spend some time with their new class teachers and will visit their new classrooms. Our transition programme eliminates any worries that a pupil may have about 'change'. This is the opportunity for them to learn new routines, introduce themselves to their new teachers and to find out about the exciting activities and topics that they can look forward to next year.

St. Vincent's Got Talent: Monday 21st July

There will be a rehearsal for the Talent Show, in school time, on **Monday 14th July**, and we will be running through each performance. If your child has received a letter confirming that they are taking part in the show, please ensure that they bring to school everything they need for their act in preparation for the rehearsal: costume, props, music, jokes. Please also encourage your child to practise beforehand! Please come along to the live show on **Monday 21st at 2:00pm** in the school hall, to support all the children performing!



Summer Spectacular - Saturday 5th July 12-4pm

It's our school summer fair tomorrow! It will be a jam-packed day of inflatables, sport, crafts, games, pampering, art, music, and sweet treats all topped off with a bar and BBQ. It's £1 entry per person, please bring cash as we only have a card reader at the bar and BBQ, all other stalls are cash only. Please bring a reusable plastic cup for bar drinks to reduce our plastic waste, although we have plastic cups available. Thank you so much to everyone who has donated prizes, equipment, and their time to help organise our biggest fundraiser of the year. Let's raise a load of vital funds for our incredible school!

Safe and Considerate Parking Around School – Let's Work Together!

As we all know, the school gates can get busy during drop-off and pick-up times. It's essential that we work together to ensure that everyone—especially our children—can arrive and leave safely each day.

Here are some key reminders to help us all park with care and consideration:

- **Keep Clear of Entrances:** Never stop or park on yellow zigzag lines, or block driveways and school entrances—they're there to keep sightlines clear for children crossing.
- **Respect Residents:** Let's be mindful of our neighbours. Avoid parking across private driveways or on pavements where pushchairs and wheelchairs need to pass.
- **Use Designated Parking Areas:** If you're able to park a short walk away from the school and walk the rest, you'll ease congestion and get in some extra steps too.
- **Be a Role Model:** Our kids are watching. Let's show them how to be safe, respectful members of our community.

By parking responsibly, we're protecting not only our own children, but every child at the school. Thank you for doing your part to make our school a safer place to learn.

The Week Ahead

Start Time	End Time
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Saturday 5th July

PTA 'Summer Spectacular' – School Field	12:00	16:00
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Monday 7th July

Maths Enrichment Day – Y1-Y6	ALL	DAY
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Y5 Forest Schools – remember outdoor clothes and footwear. No shorts please.	PM	
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Y4 'Wider Opportunities' music – please remember instruments.	PM	
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D.R. Sports after school club	15:25	16:30
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Tuesday 8th July

Y2 visit to Lower Moss Wood – permission and payment via ParentPay	ALL	DAY
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Reception 'Stay and Learn' for parents/carers – Transition to Year 1 School Hall	09:00	10:00
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Wednesday 9th July

Artis Performing Arts Workshops – whole school	ALL	DAY
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Reception 2025 - settling in session 2	13:30	14:45
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D.R. Sports – Multi Sports (all years)	15:25	16:30
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Science Club – last one	15:25	16:15
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Thursday 10th July

Rock Steady Music		
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Friday 11th July

Annual School Report to Parents/Carers		
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KS2 Football – D.R. Sports	15:25	16:30
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Jam Coding after school club – last one	15:25	16:30
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Sunday 13th July

End of Year Mass led by Y1 and Y5 – St. Vincent's Church	11:00	12:00
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Civic Parade – Parade starts at 14:15 from King Street Car Park and ends at St. Vincent's Church.	14:00	15:00
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* DR Sports After School Clubs are booked directly through their website at www.drsportsclubs.co.uk



Father David and St. Vincent's Church

[St Vincent De Paul RC Church, Knutsford \(stvincentsknutsford.org\)](http://stvincentsknutsford.org)

Masses at Knutsford: Sunday – 9:00 am and 11:00 am

FUNDRAISING: Young Parishioners Cecilia Mullen and Megan Simmons will be fundraising after both Sunday Masses on 15th June for the Shrewsbury Lourdes Youth Pilgrimage in July.

Masses at Lymm: Vigil Mass at St Winefride's, Booths Hill Rd, Lymm, WA13 0DL at 5.45pm on Saturdays.

Help wanted - Christel Casse the Lay Pastoral Assistant from St. Vincent's Church is currently recruiting volunteers to help with children's liturgy sessions starting in **September 2025** for 11 o'clock Mass. The role involves working with children aged 4-10 years old on a fortnightly basis. No previous experience is necessary as she will be providing full briefings, and all materials will be supplied. If you are interested please contact Christel on 07874 135843 or by email christelcasse@gmail.com