

ST VINCENT'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Friday 14th November 2025

Dear Parents,

HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME



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This Sunday, our Year 3 children will be enrolled onto the Sacramental Programme. This is a very special time as they begin their journey of faith, preparing to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Holy Eucharist. We hold the children in our prayers and ask God to guide and bless them throughout this important stage of their spiritual journey.

Prayer for Children Beginning Their Sacramental Journey

Loving God,

Bless our Year 3 children as they begin their Sacramental Programme.

*Guide them with your light, fill their hearts with your peace,
and help them grow in faith, hope, and love.*

*May they feel your presence beside them as they prepare
to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Holy Eucharist.*

Keep them safe, joyful, and close to you always.

Amen.

REMEMBRANCE

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On Remembrance Day, the children and staff paid their respects to those who sacrificed their lives in war. A special thank you to Georgianna Tanti, who played the Last Post so beautifully for the whole school and to our pupil leadership team who read the poem, In Flanders Fields.

SAFEGUARDING NEWSLETTER

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Please see the safeguarding newsletter attached with information about staying safe online together with age rating for various apps and games.

PTA CHRISTMAS FAIR

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The PTA Christmas fair will be taking place on Saturday 29th November. The PTA would really appreciate the support of all our parents during the festive period. Its lots of fun for the children and a great fundraiser for things they wouldn't otherwise have and that makes our school so wonderful.

Please see the attached PTA donation planner, which includes information on donations needed and also the dates of own clothes days.

Tickets are now on sale on ParentPay for bags of tokens (which can also be purchased on the day) and you can also pay the £2 entry fee (per adult) on ParentPay.



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Tickets for Santa's Grotto will go on sale on ParentPay on Monday 17th November at 4pm. These places are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment.

PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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Does your company offer community days? These days are a wonderful opportunity to get involved in school life and give back to the community. We are looking for parents who can use their volunteering community days to help us prepare for the Christmas Fair on Friday 28 November.

If your workplace supports volunteering, we would be delighted to have your help. Please email our PTA stvincentspta@gmail.com if you can volunteer.

WHOLE SCHOOL DATES LIST

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The key dates have been set for the academic year. On the list, you will see the date, event and location. The full list can be seen on this link [St Vincent's Catholic Primary School Trafford: Key School Events and Dates](#) and Autumn 2 dates can be seen below:

AUTUMN 2

DAY	DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
Sunday	16 November	Y3 Sacramental Programme Enrolment Mass 10am	St. Vincent's Church
Sunday	16 November	Y3 Sacramental Programme Enrolment Mass 10:30am	Holy Angels Church
Sunday	16 November	Baby Blessing	Infant Department
Thursday	20 November	KS2 Class Assembly: 9:05am led by Y6 Miss Hobday class	Junior department hall



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Thursday	27 November	KS2 Class Assembly 9:05 led by Y6 Mrs Sheldon class	Junior department hall
Saturday	29 November	PTA Christmas Fair	Both departments
Thursday	04 December	KS1 Advent Mass 9:15am	Infant hall
Thursday	04 December	KS2 Advent Mass 9:15am	Junior hall
Monday	08 December	Reception Nativity Dress Rehearsal	Infant department hall
Monday	08 December	Y4 Christmas Concert Dress Rehearsal	Junior department hall
Tuesday	09 December	Reception Nativity Play 1 of 2: 9:15am	Infant hall department
Tuesday	09 December	Y4 Christmas Concert 1 of 2: 1:45pm	Junior department hall
Wednesday	10 December	Reception Nativity Play 2 of 2: 9:15am	Infant hall department
Wednesday	10 December	Y4 Christmas Concert 2 of 2: 6:30pm	Junior department hall
Monday	15 December	Christmas Service 6:30pm	St Vincent's Church
Monday	15 December	UKS2 Christmas Theatre Trip 'Father Christmas' 1:30pm - 2.30pm	Sale Waterside Theatre
Tuesday	16 December	Infant Christmas Theatre Trip 'Father Christmas' 1:30pm - 2.30pm	Sale Waterside Theatre
Wednesday	17 December	Christmas Lunch/ Parties/ Father Christmas Visit	Department halls
Thursday	18 December	LKS2 Christmas Theatre Trip 'Father Christmas' 1:30pm - 2.30pm	Sale Waterside Theatre
Friday	19 December	School Closes	-
CHRISTMAS BREAK			

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ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

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Please note that holidays in term time are not authorised. Before booking any trips, we ask parents to check our term dates to ensure holidays are arranged within the designated school breaks.

You can view the 2025-2026 term dates here: [ST VINCENT'S CATHOLIC PPRIMARY SCHOOL](https://www.stvincents.trafford.sch.uk/2025-2026-term-dates)

Please see below the attendance percentages for last week.

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
RLD	95%	2ES	97.92%	4CG/SK	97.50%
RCR	95%	2FB	97.08%	5ML	98.10%
ROW/CR	97.08%	3DM	92.08%	5LM	94.76%
1AM	97.92%	3HC	92.92%	5JK	97.70%
1MH	99.14%	3CN/EL	99.17%	6NS	98.33%
1LT	95.69%	4LD	98.75%	6HB/DB	90.42%
2LD	98.33%	4LH	97.92%	6DH	96.79%
Overall percentage: 96.54%					

We warmly welcome parents to ask about school life. Your first point of contact is your class teacher. In addition, Mrs Farrell (infant deputy) and Mrs Sutton (junior deputy) and I are available to work in partnership with you to support your child's learning and wellbeing. We value open communication and welcome all to work together for the benefit of all our pupils.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs A Harrop

Headteacher

