

# ST VINCENT'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

## HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

### LIGHT SHINE PAVILION

School Values: **Make a Difference** **Be Passionate about Learning** **Be Kind** **Be Respectful**



Many of you may have enjoyed watching our new pavilion being built on the school field over the past few weeks. We are delighted to announce that it is now complete and ready to be enjoyed by all our children.

Following a naming competition, Daisy in Year 3 submitted the winning entry, and we are proud to announce that it will be called the **Light Shine Pavilion**. The name is inspired by our school scripture, "Let your light shine," and beautifully reflects our vision of encouraging every child to grow in faith, confidence, and kindness.

The Light Shine Pavilion will be a wonderful space for all children to enjoy. Classes will use it for RE lessons, reflection and mindfulness sessions, outdoor learning, and during lunchtime. It will provide a calm and welcoming place for children throughout the school day.

To mark this special occasion, we were pleased to welcome Canon Jonathan, who led a beautiful blessing of the Light Shine pavilion. It was a lovely celebration and a wonderful way to dedicate this new space to our school community.

We are incredibly grateful to our PTA for generously funding the Light Shine Pavilion. Their continued support makes opportunities like this possible, and we know this will be a much-loved and well-used resource for many years to come.



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## MUSIC CONCERT

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This week, we held our Music Concert, and what a wonderful celebration of our children's musical talents it was. The children performed a fantastic selection of pieces they have been learning throughout the year, showcasing their hard work, dedication, and growing confidence.

We were treated to performances on the piano, trumpet, violin, and drums, as well as beautiful singing from our school choir. Children also delighted the audience with songs from their musical theatre classes, performing with great enthusiasm and confidence.

It was such a joy to see and hear our children perform. We are incredibly proud of every child who took part and would like to thank our music teachers and families for their continued support in nurturing our young musicians.

## WELCOME

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It was a real joy to welcome our new Reception children and their families yesterday. We are all looking forward to September and to getting to know our newest pupils as they begin their exciting journey with us. We can't wait to watch them grow in confidence, develop new skills, and flourish over the months and years ahead.

Meanwhile, children from Reception to Year 6 enjoyed their Moving Up session yesterday. It was wonderful to see them exploring their new classrooms and meeting their new teachers and teaching assistants. There was a real sense of excitement and enthusiasm throughout the school, and the children left with big smiles on their faces, having already made a fantastic first impression on their new teachers. It was a lovely opportunity to help them feel confident and prepared as they take the next step in their school journey.



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## PUPIL LEADERSHIP ROLES

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This week, our Pupil Voice groups delivered a wonderful assembly, showcasing the fantastic work they have carried out throughout the year. From eco initiatives to wellbeing projects, it was inspiring to hear about the positive impact our pupil leaders have made across the school. The assembly was a fantastic celebration of their achievements and highlighted the difference they have made through teamwork, creativity, and commitment.

During the assembly, the children also encouraged their peers to consider putting themselves forward for next year's Pupil Voice groups. Being part of a pupil group helps children develop confidence, communication skills, and a strong sense of responsibility. It gives them the opportunity to share their ideas, influence school life, and work collaboratively to make meaningful changes. We are proud to nurture a school community where every child's voice is heard and valued.

Next week, children will have the opportunity to vote for the representatives who will lead our Pupil Voice groups in the new academic year.

## 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 summer 2 dates can be seen below:

## SUMMER 2 DATES

We are pleased to share the wide range of exciting events we have planned for this half term and look forward to welcoming you to all the parent events.



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DAY	DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
Friday	03 July	Reception Disco: 3:30pm – 5pm	Infant department hall
Thursday	09 July	Reception Class Assembly 9:05am: led by Reception Miss Reid class	Infant department hall
Friday	10 July	Y1 Disco: 3:30pm – 5pm	Infant department hall
Friday	10 July	Y3, 4 and 5 Silent Discos: 4pm – 5:30pm and 6pm – 7:30pm	Junior department hall
Monday	13 July	Y2 Dress Rehearsal 9:30am	Infant department hall
Monday	13 July	Y6 Dress Rehearsal 1:30pm	Junior department hall
Tuesday	14 July	Y2 Performance 9.30am	Infant department hall
Tuesday	14 July	Y6 Performance 1:30pm	Junior department hall
Wednesday	15 July	Y2 Performance 1.30pm	Infant department hall
Wednesday	15 July	Y6 Performance 6:30pm	Junior department hall
Thursday	16 July	Y6 Performance 6:30pm	Junior department hall
Friday	17 July	Y2 Disco: 3:30pm – 5pm	Infant department hall
Friday	17 July	Y6 Leavers' Disco	Holy Angels Parish Centre
Tuesday	21 July	Y6 Moving On' Mass 6:30pm	St Vincent's Church
Thursday	23 July	Whole School End of Year Mass 9:15am	Field/playground
Friday	24 July	<b>3:30pm school closes FOR SUMMER</b>	

## ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY REMINDERS

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If you have any concerns or need support with your child's attendance, please do not hesitate to contact the school office to request a call back from our pastoral team. We are here to help and work in partnership with families.

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 and 2026-2027 term dates here:**

[St Vincent's Catholic Primary School Trafford: Term Dates and Times of the School Day](#)

Please see below the attendance percentages for last week.

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
RLD	99.33%	2EB	97%	4CG/SK	94.33%
RCR	100%	2FB	97.33%	5ML	94.67%
ROW/CR	96.9%	3DM	96.67%	5LM	98.39%
1AM	95.67%	3HC/CL	97.33%	5JK	96.13%
1MH	92.67%	3CN/EL	96.33%	6NS	91.72%
1LT	96.67%	4LD	96.67%	6HB/DB	91.03%
2LD	99.33%	4LH	98.67%	6DH	90%
Overall percentage: 96.05%					

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

