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HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

As we reach the end of another wonderful school year, I would like to thank you for your continued support, encouragement and partnership. Your involvement in school life, whether attending events, supporting learning at home or working alongside our staff, helps make St Vincent's such a special place for our children to learn and grow.

A particular thank you goes to the families whose journey at St Vincent's comes to an end this year. It has been a privilege to share in your children's education, and your contribution to our school community has helped shape who we are today. Please know that you will always be part of the St Vincent's family.

OUR COMMUNITY

St Vincent's is much more than a school, it is a community where children, families, staff, governors and our parish work together to help every child flourish. The strong relationships we share are at the heart of everything we do. Thank you for helping to make St Vincent's such a welcoming, caring and supportive place where our children can thrive.

PARISH OF ST VINCENT'S AND HOLY ANGELS

We extend our sincere thanks to Canon Jonathan, Father Matthew and Father Joseph, for their guidance and unwavering support throughout the year. Their regular visits, celebration of Mass, preparation of our children for the Sacraments and contribution to religious education, enrich the faith life of our school and help nurture the spiritual development of our children. We are very grateful for all they do.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Thank you to our dedicated Board of Governors for the time, expertise and commitment they give to St Vincent's School, Nursery and Sunshine Club. Their support, challenge and vision help ensure we work together to continue to provide the very best offer for our children.



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Yesterday, you received the Chair of Governors' End-of-Year Letter, which reflects on the many achievements and successes of the past year. If you have not yet had the opportunity to read it, I would encourage you to do so by visiting the [Governors' Letters section of our school website](#).

OUR CHILDREN

As always, our children have truly let their light shine. They continue to impress us with their enthusiasm, kindness, resilience and determination, embracing every opportunity with positivity and a love of learning. Whether in the classroom, on the sports field, through music, performances, worship or acts of service, they make us proud each and every day.

A special mention goes to our wonderful Year 6 pupils. It has been a privilege to watch them grow into confident, compassionate and capable young people. Although they will be greatly missed, we know they are ready to embrace the exciting opportunities that lie ahead, and we wish them every happiness and success as they begin the next chapter of their journey.

OUR STAFF

St Vincent's is incredibly fortunate to have such a talented, caring and dedicated staff team. From our teachers and teaching assistants to our office, catering, cleaning and site staff, everyone plays an important role in making our school such a happy and successful place.

I would like to thank every member of staff for their hard work, professionalism and unwavering commitment to ensuring that every child is known, valued and encouraged to achieve their very best.

As we come to the end of the school year, we also say farewell to colleagues who are moving on to new opportunities. We thank them for their dedication, service and the positive contribution they have made to the St Vincent's community over the years. We wish them every happiness and success for the future, knowing they will always be part of the St Vincent's family.

PTA

Our sincere thanks go to our fantastic PTA and to every parent and teacher who has supported fundraising events throughout the year. Your generosity, enthusiasm and willingness to give your time make a real difference to our school community.



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Thanks to your support, we have been able to provide the Light Shine Pavilion, a wonderful space that provides an area for the children to come together for reflection. The PTA have also provided additional resources, exciting experiences and memorable treats for the children. The surprise visit from the ice cream van on Wednesday was a wonderful way to celebrate the end of another successful year, and the smiles on the children's faces said it all. Thank you to the PTA for making this special treat possible.

SUMMER ADVENTURES

The summer holidays are a chance to enjoy time together as a family. Whether you are travelling away, exploring somewhere new or enjoying adventures closer to home, I hope you have a summer filled with fun, laughter and relaxation. We can't wait to hear all about your summer adventures when we return in September!

ATTENDANCE REMINDER

As we look ahead to the new school year, please ensure that children return to school on the first day of term. Every day in school matters, and a positive start in September helps children settle quickly into their new class and routines. We kindly ask that family holidays continue to be planned during the school holidays wherever possible.

Our autumn term begins as follows:

- **Years 1 to 6: Wednesday 2 September**
- **Reception: Thursday 3 September**

Full term dates can be found on the [Term Dates page of our school website](#).

As we finish today for the summer break, I would like to thank you once again for your continued support throughout the year.

On behalf of everyone at St Vincent's, I wish you and your families a safe, restful and happy summer. Thank you for being such an important part of our school community. We look forward to welcoming you back in September for another exciting year of learning.

Yours sincerely

Mrs A Harrop
Headteacher

