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HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

SHOW RACISM THE RED CARD

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



Our school community came together today to support the national *Show Racism the Red Card Day* by wearing red. This national campaign encourages everyone to take a stand against racism and promotes equality, respect, and understanding.

During the day we helped pupils to understand what racism is, why it is wrong, and how we can all work together to challenge discrimination and promote kindness and respect for everyone.

The children explored ideas about fairness and inclusion. They learned that even small actions, like speaking up when something is wrong, showing kindness, and treating everyone equally can make a big difference.

This important work links closely to our school values, *Make a Difference*, *Be Passionate about Learning*, *Be Kind*, *Be Respectful*, and our commitment to being a *Rights Respecting School*. We continue to teach our pupils about equality, respect, and human rights, helping them grow into confident and compassionate global citizens.

RECEPTION CLASS SEPTEMBER 2027

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This week we were delighted to welcome lots of prospective parents to our Open Morning. It was wonderful to see such a high number of parents interested in our Nursery, School and Sunshine Club. Our pupil tour guides did a magnificent job in answering all the questions from prospective parents.



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Applications are now open on the Trafford website. To complete your application:

- **Step 1:** Visit the Trafford school admissions portal and create a login. [Trafford admission portal](#)

State your preferred school on the portal

- **Step 2:** Complete the Supplementary application form found on our school website [Supplementary form](#)

Return the completed supplementary form and copy of baptismal certificate, if applicable, to the school office in the infant department by 15th January 2027.

We look forward to welcoming our new families in September.

PARENTS' EVENING

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Thank you to all the parents who came along to our Parents' Stay and Share session today. It was lovely to see so many of you taking the time to look through your child's work and celebrate all the progress they are making. The next opportunity to look through your child's work will be at Parents' Evening.

The next parents' evening takes place on Wednesday 4 November 2026 between 3:45pm and 7pm.

Parents' evening is an opportunity for parents to meet with class teachers to discuss how your child is progressing. Meeting slots may be booked from **4pm on Wednesday 21 October** via Arbor Parent Portal. Please click on **Parents Evening – Wednesday 4 November 2026** from under the **Guardian Consultations** section of your child's profile page. If your child is in a class with two teachers, please just select the teacher you can see on Arbor as both teachers will be present at the meeting. **Please note that Mrs Sheldon/Miss Kirk's class parents evening will take place on Thursday 12th November and this will be a separate booking.**

If you haven't yet logged into your Arbor Parent Portal account please follow these steps:

1. Visit login.arbor.sc
2. Click on 'Forgotten Password?'
3. Follow the on-screen instructions to set your password (Your username is the email address you have previously provided to the school)



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BIKEABILITY SESSIONS

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Over the past few weeks, our Year 6 children have been taking part in Bikeability sessions, developing their cycling skills and learning how to stay safe on the roads. The sessions have provided a valuable opportunity for the children to build their confidence, improve their bike-handling skills and develop a greater awareness of road safety. They have been learning about the importance of being aware of their surroundings, recognising road signs and signals, and making safe decisions when cycling near traffic.

Bikeability is a fantastic way to encourage independence, promote healthy lifestyles and equip our children with important life skills that they can use both now and in the future. Well done to all of our Year 6 children for their enthusiasm, positive attitude and participation throughout the sessions!

WHOLE SCHOOL DATES LIST

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ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

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Please note that **holidays during term time are not authorised**. Before booking any trips, we kindly ask parents to check our **term dates** to ensure holidays are arranged within the designated school breaks. You can view the **2026–2027 term dates** [here: St Vincent's Catholic Primary School Trafford: Term Dates and Times of the School Day](#)



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Please see below the attendance percentages for **last week**.

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
R CR	100%	02EB	98%	04FB	98.67%
R LD	100%	02KS	98.67%	05CG/DB	98.33%
R OW/CR	98%	03CD	98%	05LM	98.36%
01LT	99.33%	03DM	99.33%	05JK	97.67%
01AM	97.67%	03HC/CL	100%	06DH	96.45%
01MH	99%	04LH	97%	06ML	99.68%
02LC	99%	04CN/EL	98%	06NS/SK	93.67%
Overall percentage: 98.32%					

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

