Focus on … Year 4

Monday was an incredibly busy day and we had plenty to carry into school that morning – instruments, Forest School kit, bags and lunchboxes. We had a fabulous time in Forest School using our history knowledge of Ancient Greece to create our own mini settlements. We worked in teams using natural resources and our imagination. We were all very grubby but had a great time!

On Tuesday afternoons, we have our Love Music Trust lessons and we are becoming much more confident when playing our clarinets. Our music teacher is very impressed with our progress. On Tuesday 8th December we will be performing for parents and other classes in the school!

In RE, we have been learning about what a prophet is and we have talked about Elijah and John the Baptist and the important messages they gave.

Our new book *Leaf* has allowed us to think about what it is like to be an outsider. We have really enjoyed using descriptive language in our English lessons to create settings.







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Believe, Trust and Be Ready
"That they may have life, and to the full" John 10:10

Time to reflect

This Sunday we celebrate the feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. This is the last Sunday of the Church year which means we focus on the glorious things to come! It also means that next Sunday is the First Sunday of Advent. Kings are powerful, but Jesus is a very different kind of king. He is the king of love. Even when things are bad, when we are frightened or lonely, Jesus is there with us. We can make sure that when we have power, we use it as Jesus did – for the good of all people – not just to make ourselves rich or important. We can make sure we include others in our friendships and in our games. Let us try to share our love with each other and to be there for each other in the most difficult times.



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: Truth*	*Conduct and Courtesy*	*Merit award - comment*
Reception	Penny P	Luiz	Frank – for always having such a positive attitude towards his learning.
Year 1	Halle	Wynter	Leonel – for always trying his best in English and producing some excellent descriptive sentences
Year 2	Arthur	Sofia	Felix - for always trying his best, working hard and being a super role model!
Year 3	Christian	Georgia	All of year 3 for amazing listening, engagement and behaviour on their trip to Whitworth Art Gallery
Year 4	Milan	Narla	Isabella M – for working hard in English this week and writing a good setting description
Year 5	Alfie	George	Rose - for demonstrating her excellent science knowledge at Jodrell Bank
Year 6	Zara	Oliver TP	Robyn – for writing a fantastic flashback narrative, acting upon all advice given to her

Dear Parents and Carers,

With the arrival of frosty mornings and icy pavements, please do take extra care around the school site and on your journeys to and from school. We also kindly ask that all children bring a warm coat each day, as we will continue to enjoy outdoor play whenever possible.

As we move deeper into this term, life in school is certainly becoming busier, but in the very best way! There is a real buzz of excitement around school as we prepare for the many wonderful events leading up to Christmas. Please make sure you have made a note of all the key dates for our end-of-term celebrations, as we would not want you to miss a moment. This Saturday, we are especially excited that some of our Key Stage 1 and Reception children will be performing at the Knutsford Christmas Lights Switch-On. If you are in town, please come along and support them as they share some festive cheer. They will be treating the audience to a performance of Honky Tonky Donkey, and we know they will be fantastic ambassadors for our school. We look forward to seeing as many families there as possible for what promises to be a wonderful community event. We are on stage at 4.20pm.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support, God bless,

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

Year 3 Visit to The Whitworth Art Gallery

On Wednesday Year 3 enjoyed a fantastic visit to The Whitworth Art Gallery. We developed our observational drawing skills by sketching David Batchelor's Plato's Disco and used the work of William Scott as inspiration to create patterns on carbon paper. The children also made and tested paper helicopters, created sculptures from recycled materials, and experimented with light writing. The gallery staff praised the children for their excellent behaviour, enthusiasm and engagement throughout the day. It was a wonderful opportunity to learn, create and explore.



Year 5 Visit to Jodrell Bank

On Thursday, Year 5 enjoyed a fantastic trip to the Jodrell Bank Discovery Centre to visit the world-famous radio telescope and learn all about our universe. The whole day the children were immersed in space science and experienced the different exhibits, learning about the solar system, black holes, star formation and much more, all in the shadow of the Lovell telescope. The highlight of the trip was the amazing show in the planetarium led by staff from Jodrell Bank, where we "flew" through space, exploring the stars and planets in our galaxy, the Milky Way. The children really showed their enthusiasm to learn about life beyond Earth and asked and answered some impressive questions. An excellent day was had by all.





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
20	**23**	18	**17**

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

Attendance

Reception	97.4%	**Year 4**	**98.6%**
Year 1	95.8%	**Year 5**	95.3%
Year 2	97.4%	**Year 6**	97%
Year 3	98.1%		

WELL DONE YEAR 4 – GREAT ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK!
Whole school attendance this week: 97.1%

Children in Need



A huge thank you to everyone who donated so generously to our Children in Need fundraising day last Friday. Thanks to your support, we raised an amazing **£264** for this wonderful charity. We are incredibly grateful for your kindness and generosity. Every pound raised will help support children and young people across the UK who need it most.

Thank you once again for helping us make a difference.

Anti-Bullying Week



This week, we joined schools across the country in marking Anti-Bullying Week, with the theme 'Break the Silence'. Following a whole-school assembly to introduce the theme, the children reflected on the importance of kindness, inclusion and having the confidence to speak up if they or others need help. We celebrated Odd Socks Day, reminding us that everyone is unique and that our differences should be celebrated. Across the school, children took part in a variety of activities with their classmates and buddies, including friendship bingo, making friendship bracelets and paper chains, friendship flowers and sharing games together. These activities helped strengthen friendships and demonstrated how even small acts of kindness can make a big difference to others.

Birthday Wishes!

Many happy returns for this week to:

LOOK WHO IS	LOOK WHO IS
9	10
Leo	Izobel

Flu Vaccinations

A reminder that Nasal Spray Flu Vaccinations will take place at school on Tuesday 24th November. Please remember to give consent or withhold consent by filling in the form that was sent out last week.

Football Match Report – St Vincent's v Mobberley

On Thursday, ST. Vincents played Mobberly. We won 2 nil and Archie Shaw scored both goals. We are still unbeatable. The teamwork and effort was amazing, playing 2 touch in our half and 3 touch in the second half. There were some super saves by our goalkeeper, Loughlin and Somes great strikes from everyone. The intesity was really good. Well done everyone.

Thomas and Henry Y6



PTA Update

Thanks again to everyone who attended the PTA AGM last week, please see attached the presentation detailing the final fundraising totals for last year, how it was spent & the target for this year.

Dates for your diary:

1. **Xmas Disco** - Next Friday (27th) is our first Xmas event & DJs Hughes and Hales are back! KS1disco is 5pm to 6pm, KS2 6.15pm to 7.30pm. Tickets are £6 each and are on sale on Arbor now in the School Shop!
2. **Santa's Grotto at Knutsford Xmas Market** - quick reminder that the PTA are running Santa's Grotto at the market on Sunday 6th December between 11am - 4pm, with all funds raised from the £6 ticket sales going straight to our school PTA. Please do come and see Santa and his Elves on the car park behind Waitrose … there will be live music, gingerbread decorating and Xmas food outlets there too.

The Week Ahead	Start Time	End Time
Monday 23rd November		
Y6 Forest School		*PM*
D.R. Sports – Multi Sports (Y1-Y6) www.drsportsclubs.co.uk	*3:30pm*	*4:30pm*
Tuesday 24th November		
Flu Vaccinations	*ALL*	*DAY*
Y4 Clarinet Lesson	*PM*	
Wednesday 25h November		
ARTIS performing arts workshops	*ALL*	*DAY*
D.R. Sports – Dodgeball/Basketball/Netball (Y1-Y6) www.drsportsclubs.co.uk	*3:30pm*	*4:30pm*
Thursday 26th November		
Y4 and Y6 Bikeability	*ALL*	*DAY*
Rock Steady Music	*ALL*	*DAY*
Friday 27th November		
Y3 Class Assembly	*9:05am*	
Y4 and Y6 Bikeability	*ALL*	*DAY*
Y5/Y6 Swimming – sign up via Arbor. Don't forget swimming kits!	*PM*	
D.R. Sports – KS2 Football www.drsportsclubs.co.uk	*3:30pm*	*4:30pm*
PTA – Christmas Disco KS1	*5pm*	*6pm*
PTA – Christmas Disco KS2	*6:15pm*	*7:30pm*

* 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)

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

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

LADIES CHRISTMAS LUNCH: Please join us on Tuesday 15 December 2026 for a buffet at 1pm in the parish hall. The cost is £16 to include raffle and a glass of wine. Please collect a form by 30 November from June Finnan/Sheila Flynn after 9am Mass or Andrea Ross after 11am Mass. Any profits will go to CAFOD.

SVP WARM WINTER CLOTHING APPEAL: Please leave any donations in the porch behind the Piety stall. All donations gratefully received, especially fleeces, jumpers, jeans, socks, pyjamas, leggings & joggers.