



PUPIL POST 20th April 2018



Dear St Vincent de Paul community

Welcome to the very first PUPIL POST newsletter. We are really excited to share with you many of the great initiatives that are being led by our very own pupils. They take their responsibilities very seriously and are keen to engage the whole community where possible in their good works.

Meet the groups below and read about what they are up to!

ATTENDANCE

R VH Mozart 96.7%	R PC/TL O'Connor 84.8%	Yr 1: SC Mistral 93.7%	1 CH Stein 96.7%
Yr 2: AP Pasteur 97.9%	2 LMc More 94.3%	Yr 3: JC Hildegard 94.1%	Y3 CH Seacole 97.9%
Yr 4: DA Bonifacio 87.3%	4AS/SH Michelangelo 90%	Yr 5: CB Agnesi 98%	Y5GB Teresa 96.0%
	Yr 6: EG Shakespeare 98%	RJ Tolkien 94%	

Whole school 94.3% - Well done to Mrs Blythe's Y5 class and Mrs Glover's Y6 class who both have this week's best attendance.



Junior Travel Ambassadors

Our Y5 travel team were thrilled with achieving the Bronze Travel Award and are working hard with Mr Downes and Barbara Lane, our Safe Journeys to School representative, to plan our actions for the Silver Award. The key considerations are the use of alternative parking facilities to ensure safer, healthier journeys to school



See how you can increase your child's activity levels, park in less congested locations and enjoy some fresh air by supporting our Walk (at least) Once a Week campaign



Mini Vinnies

Our Year Four pupils were invited to become Mini Vinnies (the Junior branch of the St Vincent de Paul Society). A large number came forward – over 30! - and they plan to meet each Wednesday to pray and share God's Word. As Mini Vinnies, they will also show that they are "the hands and face of Jesus" today through their actions. Their first drive is to promote donations to the Stevenage Food Bank which will be collected outside of the school office and taken to St Joseph's church. Please be generous in considering the needs of others.



OUR SPORTS AMBASSADORS

Our Y6 Sports Ambassadors work really hard as buddies to the younger children at playtimes. They are really enthusiastic in promoting active playtimes and use a range of resources, including a multi-coloured parachute to help others to have fun while getting fit. At the end of lunchtime they have been a great help in ensuring the sports equipment and games enjoyed by the pupils are safely gathered in and stored. They will have a key role in rolling out the Golden Mile initiative and modelling healthy lifestyles.



Reduce, Re-use, Recycle

Please support our Eco initiatives and also raise funds for school via Terracycle schemes. We are collecting any pens, biro's, Tippex bottles etc. so please look around at home and also your place of work. We can also get money for any McVities Biscuit wrappers which is amazing and will help school too!

We have also signed up for the Garnier personal care programme



Flexible single use mask packaging and the blue plastic film put on top of the tissue mask (used for personal care and beauty products)



Flexible plastic wipes packaging (used for personal care and beauty products)

Personal care and beauty product packaging caps, pumps and trigger sprays (rigid plastic bottles are not accepted)



Plastic pots and flexible plastic tubes (used for personal care and beauty products)



Hair colourant kits (except rigid plastic bottles and cardboard packaging)



Plastic roll-on deodorants (aerosols are not accepted)



Items can be sent in and collected in the classroom Recycling boxes but we hope to allocate a dedicated external collection point to make life easier.

PSA

We have all enjoyed the additional Maths resources provided by the PSA. The committee's fundraising is invaluable in providing additional resources that make a great difference to our learning. An easy way to help add to the funds is to sign up online with easyfundraising.org.uk, a company which will ensure a percentage of the cost of your purchase will be given to PSA.

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