



"We are called to be the hands and face of Jesus as we learn, love and grow together"

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well.

Outstanding Behaviour and Politeness

Over the past few weeks, I've had the pleasure of showing several prospective parents around our school. I'm delighted to share that the feedback has been incredibly positive, especially highlighting the excellent behaviour and politeness of our students. Well done to every child for representing our school so wonderfully.

Thank You for Your Generosity

A huge thank you to everyone who contributed to our "Bags for School" collection. Thank you to our Year 6 pupils who helped carry and load the bags — the van certainly left fully loaded! We are excited to share that we hope to update our Early Years outdoor area soon. If you would like to support this project, donations to the school fund are always appreciated.

I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the parent both past and present, who contributed to the community event on Friday. It was a fantastic celebration of our school community and brought everyone together in such a positive and joyful way. St Vincent de Paul School truly is a special place, and events like this remind us of the strong and supportive community we are so fortunate to be part of.

Lockdown Drill Update

Our new lockdown system is now up and running and will be practiced termly, just like our fire drill. Last week, we successfully completed a fire drill, and tomorrow we will be conducting our lockdown drill. During this, children will be notified via our tannoy system and instructed to go to their classrooms, where they will sit silently on either the carpet or at their desk. Doors will be locked and blinds put down. The children will be reassured that this is simply a safety practice, just like our fire drill.

Clubs and Activities

I am incredibly grateful to all our staff who have kindly agreed to run clubs throughout the year. Over the next few weeks, information about a variety of clubs will be shared with specific year groups, giving students exciting opportunities to get involved and explore new interests.

Please be aware that there may be a small charge for some of the external sports clubs we are running. This will start after half term and you will be notified of the nominal charge.



Keeping Warm This Season

As the weather begins to change, please ensure your child comes to school with a suitable coat to stay warm and comfortable throughout the day.

Thank you for your continued support in making our school such a wonderful community.



Alexandra Whitty
Headteacher

O Father, we humbly come before You, seeking Your divine guidance to strengthen the bonds within our community.

May Your love unite us, fostering understanding, compassion, and support among neighbours.

Help us to embrace our differences and work together for the common good.

Let our hearts be open, our hands ready to serve, and our spirits uplifted in unity.
Amen

