

# Newsletter

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2017



## Clubs:

**Every day** – Breakfast Club from 7:30 am  
(Please note that children must arrive before 8:30am).

- Monday** @ 12:30 Sport Y5/Y6  
@ 3:15 Gymnastics Y1/Y2  
@ 3:15 Cook Club Y1-Y6  
@ 3:15 Book Club Y1-Y6  
@ 3:15 Choir
- Tuesday** @ 12:30 Sport Y1/Y2  
@ 3:15 Film Club  
@ 3:15 Coding Club KS2
- Wednesday** @ 12:30 Sport Y3/Y4  
@ 3:15 Street Dance KS2
- Thursday** @ 12:30 Sport Y1/Y2  
@ 3:15 Homework Club Y5/Y6  
@ 3:15 Sewing Club Y3/Y4  
@ 3:13 Un Deux Trois Y1/Y2  
@ 3:15 Dance for Rec & KS1
- Friday** @ 12:30 Sport Y3/Y4  
@ 3:15 Gymnastics KS2  
@ 3:15 Board Games KS1&Y3

## Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December

Christmas Parties – non-uniform day  
Last day of term

## Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January

Back to school – Happy New Year!

## Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January

Y5 Hoops4Health Tournament

## Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January

Sacramental Preparation Liturgy @ 5pm

## Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January

Y4 First Confession - 2pm @ Church

## Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January

Y4 to The Great North Museum

## Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January

Rec to Seven Stories

## Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January

Eco Club's Recycling Campaign  
Y1 'Looking after my teeth' with the School Nurse



Mrs Adcock by Leo

After 22 years of dedicated service to the children of St. Vincent's RC Primary School, Mrs Adcock retires from teaching on Friday. It is with much appreciation and gratitude that school governors and staff thank Mrs Adcock for her loyal commitment to the school.

As a great teacher and a great colleague Mrs Adcock will be greatly missed.

On Monday and Tuesday, KS2 enthralled their audiences with their superb Christmas show. ★★★★★ Encore!



Tomorrow, Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>, St. Vincent's choir and school staff will be carol singing at the school gates from 8:45. They will be rattling their collecting bucket in aid of our Mini-Vinnies Christmas appeal to help the homeless in Newcastle. Your loose change would be gratefully received.

Thank you.



St. Vincent's governors are delighted to announce that Miss McDonnell has been appointed Deputy Headteacher. She will join Mrs Burdon, Assistant Headteacher, and Ms Ness, Headteacher, as part of the school's Senior Leadership Team.

St. Vincent's Choir delighted the shoppers at ASDA on Monday when carol singing in the store. The weary check-out staff and frazzled Christmas shoppers were soothed by the sweet sound of children's melodiously voices reminding everyone of the Christmas story. The children raised £142.00 for the Mini-Vinnies Christmas appeal.



Then, on Wednesday, the choir skipped round to the Retirement Home in Callaly Way to sing for the residents. The choir's repertoire of traditional carols was thoroughly enjoyed by one and all.

On Wednesday, our school cook and her happy helpers served a delicious Christmas Dinner to the hungry pupils and staff at St. Vincent's.



Yum, delicious!

## ATTENDANCE

*“Central to raising standards in education and ensuring all pupils can fulfil their potential is an assumption so widely understood that it is insufficiently stated – **pupils need to attend school regularly to benefit from their education.** DfE 2013*



### Last Week's Attendance

| Class        | Attendance   |
|--------------|--------------|
| Reception    | 98.0%        |
| Year 1       | 99.7%        |
| Year 2       | 99.3%        |
| Year 3       | 96.2%        |
| Year 4       | 97.9%        |
| Year 5       | 96.3%        |
| Year 6       | 94.6%        |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>97.5%</b> |

Fantastic results for Y1 and Y2: no wonder their Christmas performance was such a huge success. Well done!

If a child isn't at school they can't receive the outstanding education St. Vincent's provides. Indeed, the Local Authority expects schools to initiate formal monitoring proceedings when a pupil's attendance is **consistently below 90%**. Formal proceedings involve:

1. A Parenting Contract
2. Legal Monitoring
3. Penalty Notice

Please ensure your child has good attendance: their future life-choices depend on it!

Here's a smashing joke filled with Christmas fun from Christopher (Y3).

Q. What do the elves learn at school?

A. The elfabet!



May the spirit of yuletide fill your heart and home with peace, laughter and contentment this Christmas. Season's Greetings from Governors and Staff

