



# St. Vincent's RC Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I have two sayings that I repeat often to the children at St. Vincent's:

- 1. What you put in, is what you get out!**
- 2. You've got to be in it, to win it!**

Both sayings are driven by effort and investment. Indeed, if pupils invest effort into their school-work and invest effort into their school friendships, these investments will provide a payment of exciting career choices and lifelong friends. But of course, children need to be in school if this investment is to be made.

Every week I list class attendance figures in the school's Newsletter. I also award the Attendance Trophy to the best attending class every half-term. I present badges and rosettes to pupils with good attendance. And finally, I arrange a fabulous end-of-year treat for pupils with outstanding attendance. Clearly, I take pupil attendance very seriously.

Disappointingly, St. Vincent's 2014-15 annual attendance figures are below the national average. Bearing in mind that our school exam results are above or in-line with national average figures I can only dream of how much better results may have been if we'd had better pupil attendance: indeed, teachers can't teach children that aren't there!

So, I plan to trial an attendance reward system that rewards good school attendance and good punctuality. From January to July, pupils who are in class for morning and afternoon registration, for a full school week, will be awarded **5 Winit**s (points). At the beginning of every new term children will be given an opportunity to 'spend' (or continue saving) their Winit

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Regards,

Ms. A. M. Ness  
**Headteacher**



# You've got to be In It 2 Win It

If you are in class for morning and afternoon registration for a full school week you will earn 5 Winitis. Winitis can be used to buy something from the 'In it 2 Win it Emporium' at the beginning of each new term. Alternatively, you may prefer to save your Winitis to buy a more expensive item later.

20 Winitis

**A trinket**



50 Winitis

**Book**



70 Winitis

**Cuddly Toy**



100 Winitis

**Eat out/Eat in**



150 Winitis

**Sightseeing**



200 Winitis

**Cinema**

