

Newsletter

Friday 20th April 2018

Clubs:

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

Monday	@ 12:30 Sport Y1 @ 3:15 Team Games Y1/Y2 @ 3:15 Cook Club Y1-Y6 @ 3:15 Book Club Y1-Y6 @ 3:15 Choir
Tuesday	@ 12:30 Sport Y2 @ 3:15 Film Club @ 3:15 Coding Club KS2
Wednesday	@ 12:30 Sport Y1 @ 3:15 Drama KS2
Thursday	@ 12:30 Sport 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 Y1 @ 3:15 Bats & Balls KS2 @ 3:15 Board Games

Tuesday 24th April

Y4 Sacramental Preparation

Wednesday 25th April

Rec Stay & Play

Thursday 26th April

Y5 Just.Is celebration @ St. Mary's School#
Y4 to Arbeia Roman Fort

Tuesday 1st May

Y1 to Hill Hall Farm

Wednesday 2nd May

Rec to Ouseburn Farm
Y4 at the Skipping Festival

Monday 7th May

Bank Holiday – school closed

Monday 14th – Thursday 17th May

Y6 SATs Exams

Saturday 19th May

First Holy Communion

Tuesday 22nd May

Y5/Y6 Boys Football

Wednesday 23rd May

Mass @ 09:15 – everyone welcome
Stay & Pray with Rec

Thursday 24th May

Y6 to Safety Works

Please see the school website for more events.

Our clever Year 6 pupils had a fabulous time at Crammer Club, which ran for the second week of the Easter break. The children worked in small groups, with expert advice and guidance from a member of staff, to complete a busy schedule of maths, reading, spelling and grammar activities. This proved to be incredibly valuable for all who attended. Indeed, unlike preparing for a history or geography exam, SATs exams test a child's skill and understanding (rather than memory) and these are things that improve through practise, rehearsal and repetition. However, at St. Vincent's, we know that a well-rounded education needs to include more than just maths and English. That's why at Crammer Club the children (and teachers!) played musical instruments, danced and took part in team games and sports too. 'Thank you!' to both parents/carers for supporting Crammer Club and to the staff who gave-up their Easter week to help run it and ensure its success.



Congratulations to all 127 entrants of our Decorated Egg competition. The standard was stupendously high: imaginative, artistic with a microscopic eye for detail. Very St. Vincent's!



As Y2 are investigating plants in science this term, the children started off their horticultural explorations with a visit to Alwick Gardens. Not only did the children learn lots about different plant species, but they had fun in the sun when playing with the water.



Y5 have been working on 'reasoning and problem solving' in maths and Aimee is truly in the mathematics zone. Here's her topical joke:

Q. Why are maths books so sad?

A. Because they're full of problems!



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	97.5%
Year 1	96.2%
Year 2	93.7%
Year 3	93.1%
Year 4	94.8%
Year 5	98.3%
Year 6	98.5%
Total	96.0%

Well done Y6: top of the attendance table by a whisker. Bad luck, Y5!

However, Y5 had super attendance in spring 2 and, consequently, were the winners of the Attendance Trophy. Hooray!

Mrs Bates has prepared all the winits vouchers in readiness for next week when the Winits Emporium will be open at break-times. Will you spend or save?

Our Y6/Y5 boys' football team took part in the second round of the region's Bishop's Cup Tournament on Tuesday.

The team won both of their games, 2:0 and 4:0, through skill, speed and stamina. Mr Cox and Mr Turner were thrilled by the high level of sportsmanship displayed by all of the boys. Well done!



Next week's Statement to Live By

I understand what trust means